
UAS Facilities Services News Letter - January 2018

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The Level



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Dear UAS Community,

2017 was a great year for Facilities Services. The Whitehead Building Renovation was completed, we watched “The Wall” erect, and we welcomed Nathan Leigh, Ella Nierra, and Adam Zenger into the Facility Services team. In hopes to keep the UAS community informed on how UAS Facilities is here to help you, we would like to present “The Level”.

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If it’s Broke, We Can Fix it: We hope that you had a wonderful and relaxing winter break. Now that we are back to school for several days you may have noticed something around campus that is broken, worn-out, dirty, or completely missing. No matter what it is, UAS Facilities staff can fix it. UAS Facilities Fix-It Staff includes; 1 Electrician, 1 Plumber, 1 Carpenter, 1 Heating Ventilation Boiler Specialist, 1 Auto Mechanic, 1 Building Automation Technician, 1 Painter, 1 Locksmith, 1 Landscape Master and several grounds crew.

Please fill out our online [web work order](#), or call 796-6496 anytime you see anything that you think needs to be repaired, replaced, cleaned, or improved.

Think Safety. We are all much happier when you take the time to be safe. Remember to lock your car doors every time. Wear light colored or reflective clothing when walking anywhere you may encounter vehicle traffic. It is almost impossible for a driver to see a person wearing dark clothes during Juneau's wet winters. Check the grip of your shoe treads or better yet strap on some ice grippers. Don't have a pair of ice grippers? Our safety manager Dan Garcia (djgarcia@alaska.edu) may have a few left.

Shuttle Bus: UAS's pilot program shuttle bus has received great success with more and more students taking the Shuttle Bus. Thanks to all those who have provided us with recommendations on how to improve the Shuttle Bus service. These comments have resulted in a revised Shuttle Bus schedule and extending service to include finals week. Check out the [UAS Shuttle web page](#) with shuttle tracker for current updates including results of the Fall 2017 Survey. If you have any questions, complaints, suggestions, or comments regarding the Shuttle Bus, contact Facilities at uas.facilities@alaska.edu or 796-6496.

Facilities Survey: UAS Facilities Services is graded just like all of our students. Sightlines is an independent company that reviews and grades of hundreds of universities and colleges grades all over the country. They completed their site inspections and will be posting UAS Facility Services grades next month. Sightlines bases part of our grade on a customer satisfaction survey from employees and students. Please take 5 minutes to complete this survey. The identity of survey respondents is confidential. [Take the Survey Here.](#)

UAS Property Disposal: UAS is required to follow a multitude of regulations when purchasing and disposing of UAS property like furniture, equipment, and materials. UAS [Business Services Department](#) will help you follow the regulations when purchasing things and UAS Facilities Services will help you follow the disposal regulations. Please contact our [Property Manager](#), Dave Behrends, anytime you need to dispose of some UAS property.

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Capital Projects:

- Whitehead Building Renovation (Campus Modifications Project) was completed for faculty move in and classes prior to the start of the 2017 fall semester. The upper floor houses 26 faculty offices, a conference and break room, and an open administrative staff area. A classroom lab, lab storage, and a computer classroom are located on the lower level. The connection between Whitehead and Soboleff was enclosed, creating a gathering place.
- The Ketchikan Regional Maritime and Career Center Phase I (new classroom and faculty offices) was substantially complete in August 2017 and Phase II (Welding Lab, Power Technology Lab and extensive mechanical work) in December 2017. Phase III (Marine Transportation classroom, simulator, and storage) will occur during the summer of 2018. The project is a major renovation of the former Robertson and Hamilton buildings, joining them into a single facility.
- Auke Bay Marine Station (former NOAA site) re-use is in the planning stages with completion of new science space expected in the fall of 2020.

Maintenance Projects:

- Auke Lake Railing Replacement will replace the existing dark, heavy wood guardrail along the lakeside covered walkway behind Novatney and Whitehead buildings with light, open, low-maintenance stainless steel panels. The work may be phased over several years.
- Many of the concrete pavers (colored bricks) in the campus corridor will be replaced. The concrete pavers deteriorated sooner than they should have and through a negotiation with the

contractor/vendor, the pavers will be replaced this summer after final exams. The pavers will be a different shape and laid in a different pattern.

- Egan Library siding repairs. This project will repair several areas of the siding that have lost the fight with Juneau's wet weather.
- Housing Fuel Tank Replacement. The fuel tanks at housing are more than 30 years old and ready for replacement. The fuel tanks will be replaced one at a time over several years as funding becomes available.
- Landscape improvements recommended by the UAS Auke Lake Shoreline Master Plan. Our UAS Facilities Services Grounds Crew will work on portions of the landscaping mentioned in this Master Plan as time allows. There is currently no funding for the improvements recommended by this Plan.
- Landscaping above the Glacier Highway concrete wall constructed by DOT&PF last summer will soften the view of the Facilities Services site and lessen the wall effect.
- Phase II Mourant Window Replacement will swap out more of the original windows (often heavily fogged due to the loss of thermal seals) for larger units. This is a continuation of the summer 2017 replacement of windows in the Lakeside Grill seating area.

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