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Chancellor's Cabinet Updates

April 1, 2022

Chancellor

Karen Carey, Chancellor

- UAS update to KINY radio every Monday at 7:15 a.m. - access, stewardship
- Held regular meetings with direct reports, attended Executive Council, Executive Cabinet, attended Juneau Economic Development Council meetings, attended President Pitney's state of the University, attended the Juneau Campus Advisory Council; and attended meeting on Marketing - access, collaboration, excellence
- Attended the Foundation Board reception and the Board of Directors meeting on March 1 and 2 - access, sustainability, stewardship
- Met with Sealaska Heritage Institute - access, diversity, collaboration
- Met with the finalists for the statewide Human Resources Office position - excellence, access, stewardship.
- Met with the Emeriti Chancellors and previous provosts - collaboration
- Met with the President's Alliance on Higher Education and Immigration with Dash Hillgartner - access, diversity
- Met with the Chad Hutchinson and John Latini from Government Relations; met with Educators from Bartlett Hospital - access, collaboration, stewardship
- Attended the Innovation Summit - access, collaboration, sustainability, stewardship
- Made the Provost hire - excellence
- Attend the Oratory Showcase - excellence, diversity, access, collaboration

Provost

Maren Haavig, Provost & Dean of Research & Sponsored Programs

- Submitted the UAS mid-cycle report to the NWCCU. Working now to finalize the agenda for the 4/14-15/22 virtual site visit - excellence
- Collaborated with the Faculty Senate to update the UAS Faculty Handbook - collaboration

- Secured approved from the UA Academic Council to move the deletion of the IBA and the creation of the BA in Indigenous Studies to the Board of Regents through the Academic and Student Affairs Committee - excellence, diversity
- Worked with the Assessment Program Committee to review the Annual Program Assessment Report template to clarify what faculty should include in the report and to sharpen the diction between student learning outcomes (course level) and program learning outcomes (degree level) - collaboration, excellence
- Co-Chaired (with Lori Klein) the Strategic Enrollment Task Force - collaboration, sustainability
- Participated in the Retention Workgroup meetings - collaboration, sustainability

Research & Sponsored Programs

- Represented UAS at the INBRE Steering Committee meeting - collaboration
- Represented UAS at the State Committee for Research - collaboration

Institutional Effectiveness - Kristen Handley, Director

- Summer Weekly Enrollment Dashboards now available:
<https://uas.alaska.edu/ie/enrollment.html> (excellence, collaboration)
 - The fall dashboards will be available one week after registration begins (excellence, collaboration)
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School of Education

Maren Haavig, Interim Director

- Attended SOE monthly meetings - excellence, collaboration
 - Attended Alaska College of Education Consortium (ACEC) meetings - excellence, collaboration
 - Worked with UAA and UAF on securing office space for on the UAA campus for Anchorage area based SOE faculty - excellence, collaboration
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Administrative Services

Michael Ciri, Vice Chancellor

- Participated in the BOR ad hoc meeting on tuition (access, sustainability)
- Met in a special meeting with the BOR Facilities and Land Management committee and received their approval for the cost of the Auke Bay Integrated Sciences Building. This allowed Facilities to award the bid and proceed. (excellence)
- Worked with stakeholder groups on the new COVID policies (collaboration)

Grants, Contracts & Budget - Julie Vigil

- Labor Redistributions-HR has split posting of pay periods into two different days. LRs for R1-14 post on Tuesdays and LRs for R15-26 posts on Thursdays. Please break out your pay periods as such on the LR form.

Information Technology - Michael Ciri

- Working with campus stakeholders on possible classroom improvements (access, excellence)
- Preparing for large scale events, commencement, staff development day, etc. (access)

Business Services - Jon Lasinski

- Fiscal Year End is right around the corner. The year-end instructions have not been posted yet, but I expect Finance to close for FY22 activity on Friday, July 15th. (collaboration, sustainability, stewardship)
- Please continue to work on your open and commit-c encumbrances. Commit-c encumbrances will liquidate on June 1st. Please let the Business Office know if you would like the commit-c encumbrances to remain open through June 30. (collaboration, sustainability, stewardship)
- Summer 2022 term textbook website is live. (access, collaboration)
- Summer 2022 payment plans are live. (access, stewardship, sustainability)
- Fall 2022 textbook website is expected to be available on the first day of registration, April 4th, (access, collaboration)
- Alaska Senior Citizen Tuition Waivers are now available using dynamic forms (using UA single sign on) for all UA campuses, and the UAS Office of the Bursar web page information has been updated. (access)

School of Career & Technical Education

Pete Traxler, Executive Dean

- The TEC held a legislative reception on March 1st to showcase the mining program and our awesome faculty. Access and stewardship
- Construction Technology offered a class called Safety Week over spring break in partnership with SERRC where students were certified in CPR, forklift driving and OSHA. Access and collaboration.
- Career Ed Juneau will be holding multiple summer classes to include: Construction, Power Technology, Human Services, CNA, and Welding. These classes are in partnership with STEPS and Tlingit and Haida. Access and collaboration.
- Career Ed welcomes our newest faculty member Dr. Sarah Niecko. Sarah will be teaching the Behavioral Health classes. This partnership is funded by a collaboration with UAS and UAA College of Health. Diversity and collaboration.

Enrollment Management & Student Affairs

Lori Klein, Vice Chancellor

- UAS will receive the next Hanover research project (Tuition and Aid Sensitivity Survey) to be delivered early April - excellence, diversity, access.
- New committees: UA Foundation Scholarship Task Force; UA ad hoc tuition committee
- UAS has closed our COVID Relief Funds. This fund was established in April 2020 with CARES Act funding from the Federal Government, and sustained, in part by UAS institutional funds. In the almost two years we managed this fund, the UAS COVID Relief Committee reviewed over 270 applications and awarded over 150 students more than \$220,000 in relief funds. Many thanks to the current committee members: Mae Delcastillo, Tina Ryman, Katie Sill, Jessica Driscoll, Janelle Cook, and committee chair Aimee Richards. - excellence, access, stewardship

Admissions / Recruiting / Advising - Lori Klein

- UAS has entered into a contract with Cappex, an EAB solution that connects universities with high intent high school inquiries. We are targeting our profile to freshman students in WUE states, a strategy currently aligned with targeted marketing efforts in the PNW. - excellence, diversity, access
- Director of Admissions search is underway with preliminary screening at the end of March. UAS has received eight applications. - excellence, diversity, sustainability, access, collaboration
- Admissions deadlines will be changing effective Spring 2023. The new spring deadline will be December 1st (instead of Dec. 15) and the new Fall deadline (effective Fall 2023) will be August 1 (instead of August 15). Summer deadlines will remain the same. - excellence, access
- UAS is up 16% in admitted students for Fall 2022. - excellence, access, diversity
- Tours are hopping! Keep your eyes peeled for these groups: 4/8: 15 students from Galena, 4/11: 7 students from Haines, 5/5: 6 students from Kenai Peninsula.
- UAS is hosting "Junior Day: for JSD students on 4/15 - access, excellence, diversity, collaboration
- Academic Advising has representation on the following committees: UAS Dual Enrollment Work Group (Amanda, co-chair), UA & UAS EAB work teams, UAS/Juneau School District Dual Enrollment Work Team, UAS Strategic Enrollment Task Force, UAS/UAF Alaska Advantage collab, and the UAS Care Team (Aimee, co-chair). - excellence, access, collaboration, stewardship
- Amanda and Aimee completed ANDORE training in March. - excellence, diversity, access, sustainability
- Aimée Richards was elected as the Alaska State Liaison for NACADA (the global professional community for academic advising). Collaboration, excellence

- Aimée Richards was a Guest on Sitka campus's weekly radio show/podcast discussing all things dual enrollment - we timed this episode to coincide with Sitka's K-12 schools spring break. Collaboration, access, stewardship, excellence
- In March, Dash Hillgartner, our Study Away Coordinator attended the National Student Exchange Conference in Burbank, CA. This annual conference is an opportunity for coordinators from the 180 member institutions to come together to discuss regional and national issues, improve the program, and participate in professional development opportunities. - access, diversity, collaboration, excellence, stewardship
- The Study Away office is pleased to announce that 22 students from 5 countries, 9 states and 2 territories have been accepted to participate in an exchange at UAS this coming academic year. - access, diversity, excellence
- To date, 16 UAS students have been accepted to study abroad and both international and national exchange programs next year. By far our most international cohort yet, next year our students will be traveling to New Zealand, Ireland, Finland, Australia, Turkey, South Korea, Japan, and Canada. - diversity, excellence, stewardship

UAS STEPS (Supporting Transitions and Educational Promise Southeast Alaska) Promise Neighborhoods Grant

- UAS, T&H, and SERRC are bringing students to the Juneau campus May 31-June 6 to attend the UAS Career Academy with subjects in Construction Technology, Behavior Health and Health Careers Exploration, and Outboard and Small Engine Repair -excellence, diversity, access, collaboration, stewardship
- UAS STEPS sponsored a First Alaskans Institute ANDORE training March 7 and 8 over Zoom; 18 UAS staff and faculty attended - excellence, diversity, access
- Upcoming Successful Scholars events: March 28 Wellness Workshop on Motivation at JPH, April 6 Frybread and Planning Workshop with the NRSC at JPH - excellence, diversity, access, collaboration, stewardship
- Upcoming travel: Sitka Family Event April 17, Yakutat Career and College Fair April 29 - diversity, access, collaboration, stewardship

Creative Agency - Alison Krein

Marketing and Social Media

- Creating designs for merchandise sales in Sitka (Collaboration, excellence, stewardship)
- Oratory Showcase marketing and promotion (Collaboration, excellence, diversity)
- Mariculture Conference planning, promotion, and marketing materials (Collaboration, excellence, stewardship)
- PITAAS marketing materials (Collaboration, excellence, diversity)
- Native News Online marketing (Excellence, diversity)
- Sexual Assault Awareness month promotion and marketing materials (Collaboration)

- Medical Assisting program marketing campaign (Collaboration, excellence, diversity, access)
- TeachAlaska.org statewide website participation (Collaboration, excellence, diversity, access)
- School of Education marketing campaign (Collaboration, excellence, diversity, access)
- Financial Aid animation project completion and launch (Collaboration, access)
- Digital Campaign analysis (excellence, stewardship)
- Tidal Echoes social media promotion (Collaboration, excellence)

Web Development

- Applied Fisheries Instagram integration (Collaboration)
- Launch of Oscar, an update to the website theme (Collaboration, excellence, access, stewardship)
- 404 page redesign, inclusion of Tlingit language variation (Collaboration, diversity)
- Covid page updates (Collaboration, stewardship)
- COMING SOON: Schedule page to allow searching on Zero Cost Textbooks as well as Alaska Native Knowledge Requirement (Collaboration, access, excellence, diversity, stewardship)

Other

- Director of Admissions search (chair) (Collaboration, stewardship)
- Commencement Committee: website, social, program (Collaboration)

Financial Aid - Janelle Cook

- Award and Tracking letters went out for 2022-2023 academic year. (excellence, diversity, access, collaboration, and stewardship)
- Working on awarding Foundation Scholarships. (excellence, access, collaboration, and stewardship)
- Notifications went to Deans and Directors for 2022-2023 awarding tuition waivers. (excellence, diversity, access, collaboration, sustainability, and stewardship)
- Started the process to move our forms to dynamic forms. (excellence, access, and stewardship)

Registrar's Office - Trisha Lee

- We continue to have our 2 front counter positions (Student Information Specialist) posted online and our latest review date was 3/28/22. (access, diversity)
- Trisha Lee will be traveling to Ketchikan and Sitka for their 2022 commencement ceremonies. (collaboration, stewardship)
- Fall 2022 priority registration begins on Monday, 4/4 and open registration begins on Monday 4/18. (access, collaboration)

Students / Campus Life - Jackie Wilson, Dean

Residence Life, Housing & Dining

- Eric Alldredge's last day is April 1st. He's served as the Food Service Manager for three years and will be missed. (stewardship)
- Grill service will be shut down on weekends through the end of the semester. (stewardship)
- The dining team is working to determine how staffing changes may affect our summer operations and capacity. (access, collaboration)
- 2022's Skyfactor Resident Assessment Survey has been launched for all residents who lived on campus this year. Response collection will continue through the end of the semester. (excellence)
- Housing applications are up compared to Fall 2021 and Fall 2020, with 49 current active applications. (excellence, sustainability)
- Housing move-out is on May 2 at Noon. The first summer conference guests will arrive on May 6. (access, excellence)

Native & Rural Student Center

- Congratulations to all of our 20th Annual Oratory participants! This year's event planning started in January with a fabulous committee made up of Woonch.Een members, faculty, staff, students, alumni, and members from 3 community organizations. 15 brave UAS Student Orators shared engaging presentations on topics that reflected this year's theme "Our way of life will heal people." Event sponsors include Sealaska, Sealaska Heritage Institute, UAS PITAAS, Financial Aid, NRSC, and the Widmark Foundation. Each student orator will receive \$230 for their participation in this year's event. (collaboration, access, diversity, excellence)
- Native Graduation Celebration, tentatively set for April 30, at the Noyes Pavilion, details TBA. (access, excellence)

Student Engagement & Leadership

The Weekly Spike (excellence, diversity, access):

- Want something spotlighted in The Weekly Spike? Submit your [content here](#).
- [Signup to receive the newsletter](#). (collaboration)

UPCOMING EVENTS (excellence, diversity, collaboration)

- UAS Day of Service | Saturday, April 2 | 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. | Various locations throughout Juneau
- Whale Wednesday | Wednesday, April 6
- Spring Carnival | Friday, April 15
- Spring Formal | Friday, April 22
- UAS Nights: Perseverance Theater | Wednesday, April 27

- Karaoke | Thursday, April 28

ENGAGEMENT BY THE NUMBERS (excellence)

- Since January, we've engaged nearly 317 students with 16 events. This number reflects as a department SE&L.
- We have nearly 1300 subscribers to The Weekly Spike, with an average open rate of 44%.

WHALESONG (stewardship, collaboration)

- Pickup your Whalesong on April 21. Last Whalesong of the semester.

SGUAS-JC (excellence, collaboration, stewardship)

- SGUAS-JC elections are happening April 11 - 13.

Disability Services, Health Clinic & Counseling

- DS Training offered: *From Telecommute to Telecommunity: Pushing for institutional change*: April 22, 2022 10-11 am Pacific/1-2 pm Eastern [Register via Zoom](#). (access, excellence, diversity)
- The Health clinic had 84 student visits so far this semester. Students can access services either by phone or in-person. (access, diversity)
- Rapid COVID tests are available at the SRC front desk. (excellence)
- The clinic closes for the summer on May 13th. (stewardship)
- Counseling continues a monthly whale song article and this month's topic was returning from spring break and finishing strong academically as we finish the semester. (diversity)
- Counseling will be actively involved with Sexual Assault Awareness month sponsored by UAS Title IX office including screenings of *The Hunting Ground* and the clothesline project. (access, diversity, collaboration)
- Counseling is an active part of the UAS Care Team by following up on reports from faculty and staff on students of concern. Faculty and Staff please be reminded there is a form on the counseling website that can be used to identify a student of concern to the Care Team (excellence, access, diversity, collaboration):
<https://uas.alaska.edu/dean-of-students/careteam/index.html>

Recreation Center

- Ironman staff will be on campus for their last visit prior to the event on April 11th-17th. (excellence, stewardship)
- The weight room project is well under way with rubber flooring secured, weights out to bid, with strength machines to follow. The weight room will be off line following Commencement till the start of the Fall semester. (access, diversity, stewardship)
- The REC Center has several sensors on demo from Verkada, our current security cameras. These sensors came at the request of Ryan Sand and includes environmental sensors, moisture sensors, panic buttons, door sensors and cameras. (access)

- Starting this summer our guest pass will be going up to \$10. The current \$5 pass has not been adjusted since the building's opening. The three guests per member will also be going down to two. (excellence, stewardship)
 - The REC Center has been chosen as the venue for this year's Safe Grad party on May 29th. Last year's After Grad was held at Eaglecrest but by parent's popular demand it has returned to UAS. This event introduces many new students to UAS from both JDHS and TMHS. (excellence, collaboration, access, diversity)
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School of Arts & Sciences

Carin Silkaitis, Dean

Hello everyone! For my personal additions this month, I am happy to report that my home in Chicago is SOLD. We closed on our home last week, and now we are just waiting for the builder to finish our home in Juneau. Very exciting. Here are my activities for this month:

- I am writing to you from Sitka! I flew to Sitka on Monday morning and began meetings with the faculty. I am enjoying those conversations tremendously and will bring back many thoughts and ideas when I return to Juneau. (Excellence, Diversity, Access, Stewardship, Sustainability, Collaboration)
- One of the other reasons I am in Sitka is the Heritage and Cultural Tourism Conference. I can happily report that after Day 1 of the Conference - I am meeting with great people and learning a lot. I have made some excellent connections, and I'm hoping to bring a few of those folks to UAS to partner with us in future endeavors. Stay tuned! (Excellence, Collaboration, Sustainability, Diversity)
- Mike Navarro and I will embark on a recruiting trip to Peninsula College on April 4th to revive our articulation agreements and work on increasing the number of transfer students who come to UAS. In addition to updating the agreement for Natural Sciences, we'll work on writing agreements that support students transferring into the BLA and BASS degrees. Peninsula is excited about both of those, along with the new Indigenous Studies BA degree - which will support their large number of Indigenous students. (Excellence, Collaboration, Sustainability, Access, Diversity, Stewardship)
- I am serving on the Strategic Enrollment Task Force, and we've been meeting on a regular basis - coming up with new strategies to improve enrollment. (Collaboration, Sustainability)
- I am also serving on the new Retention Committee which just had its first meeting. I am looking forward to sharing my ideas around retention (particularly first year retention strategies). (Collaboration, Sustainability, Access)
- I continue to serve on the DEICS committee. We met last week, and I am enjoying those conversations. (Diversity, Collaboration, Access)

ACRC

- Megan Behnke rejoined ACRC this month as a postdoctoral researcher funded through the Coastal Margins Research Network over five years after first

engaging with ACRC as a research technician. After defending her thesis and receiving her PhD from Florida State University in February 2022, Behnke will continue her research at ACRC studying carbon as it “wakes up” in warming ecosystems and quantifying particulate organic carbon delivered to rivers from glacial, forest, and wetland environments in the Pacific Coastal Temperate Rainforest. (Excellence, Collaboration, Sustainability)

- Leah Gregg attended the National Council on University Research Administrator's (NCURA) Financial Research Administration Conference in New Orleans, LA March 14-15. She received a travel award from NCURA to help offset the cost of attendance. Leah acquired a greater understanding of how other institutions perform departmental research administration. (Excellence, Collaboration, Stewardship)

Natural Sciences

- Jason Amundson published a paper that used seismic data from Lemon Creek Glacier to observe subglacial water flow. Labeledz, C.R., T.C. Bartholomaus, J.M. Amundson, F. Gimbert, M.S. Karplus, V.C. Tsai, and S.A. Veitch, 2022. Seismic mapping of subglacial hydrology reveals previously undetected pressurization event, *J. Geophys. Res. Earth Surf.*, 127, e2021JF006406, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2021JF006406>. (Excellence, Collaboration, Sustainability)
- Konrad Meister published a paper on natural anti-icing in Antarctic Scallops. <https://www.nature.com/articles/s42003-022-03023-6>
The study was highlighted in several news outlets worldwide e.g. <https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/945259> (Excellence, Sustainability, Collaboration)
- A paper submitted by Joshua Walsh (UAS Mathematics major to graduate in May 2022), along with his team members Zury Bethzab Marroquin (Scripps College) and Trenton Wesley (Harvey Mudd College), was accepted for publication by *Spora*, a Journal of Biomathematics for undergraduates. Work for the project leading to this expository paper, titled *Clustering for the Neophyte: An R Shiny App for Self-Organizing Maps*, began at the 2021 Summer *Cross-institutional Undergraduate Research Experience* (CURE) workshop. This annual workshop for undergraduates is sponsored by the *Center for Collaborative Studies in Mathematical Biology* of Illinois State University and the *Intercollegiate Biomathematics Alliance* (IBA), of which UAS is an institutional member. Josh and his team also presented a poster of their work at the *2021 International Symposium of Biomathematics, Ecology, Education and Research* (BEER). (Excellence, Collaboration, Stewardship, Sustainability, Access)
- Julie Schram will be the April Scientist in Residence at the Sitka Sound Science Center. Link to the press release: <https://sitkascience.org/press-release-november-2021/>. As part of this, Julie will be giving a presentation for the Sitka Natural History Seminar Series (April 21st) on some of her work on Antarctic organismal responses to ocean acidification

and warming. For more information on this seminar series, please visit <https://www.sitkanature.org/sitka-natural-history-seminar-series/>. (Excellence, Collaboration, Access, Stewardship, Sustainability)

Business & Public Administration

- Nothing new to report

Social Sciences

- Nothing new to report

Humanities

- Shaelene Moler, UAS English major and *Tidal Echoes* editor has some big news! A poem of hers won honorable mention in the UAA/Anchorage Daily News statewide poetry contest. That same poem has also been accepted for publication in the journal *Alaska Women Speak*. (Excellence)
 - Emily's chapbook *FIST* was just published by Minerva Rising Press, a feminist press out of Florida. This book is the culmination of her 2018 Rasmuson Grant. (Excellence, Diversity, Stewardship, Collaboration)
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Alaska Native Programs/PITAAS

Ronalda Cadiente Brown, Associate Vice Chancellor

- Provided welcome to the NRSC Oratory 2022 event. Collaboration, diversity
 - Provided a welcome to the SHI Culturally Responsive Mini Conference, diversity, collaboration
 - Alaska Native Success Initiative Committee meeting (monthly) held on 3.14, meetings with ANSI action team leads (Brower, Yatchmeneff, Stern), collaboration, diversity
 - ANSI Session with UA Advancement Council, stewardship, diversity
 - ANSI Welcomed Dannielle Carlson as UAS first Alaska Native Retention Specialist, excellence, diversity, collaboration, sustainability, and stewardship.
 - ANSI Faculty Alliance Retreat session, invited participant, collaboration
 - Strategic Enrollment task force member, committee member, sustainability, diversity
 - Meetings with Sealaska Heritage Institute (SHI) on grant planning, collaboration, diversity
 - Attended SHI Educator Open House, collaboration, diversity
 - Attended the Alaska Native Studies Council (ANSC) and Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Alaska Native Education (CACANE) meetings collaboration, diversity
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Public Information Office

Keni Campbell

(PIO Activities and Events = Access, Collaboration, Stewardship)

COMMENCEMENT

Graduation information for all 3 campuses can be found [here](#). Regent John Davies, Chancellor Carey, Provost Haavig and Registrar Trisha Lee will be traveling to Ketchikan and Sitka to attend their ceremonies. Regent Scott Jepsen will be attending the Juneau ceremony. UA VP of Academic Affairs, Dr. Paul Layer, will also join us at all three.

Juneau

We will be putting out a request for helpers soon. We are having students register themselves using Eventbrite. Each student can have up to 4 guests. The ceremony will also be live streamed on Youtube. We are also including graduates from 2020 and 2021. Each ceremony is 1 hour 15 minutes, and in between we will reset the room and sanitize for COVID mitigation. Regents John Davies and Scott Jepsen, as well as Student Regent Kali Spencer will be joining us at the ceremony. We will also be honoring Beth Kerttula with an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree during the first ceremony. Here is our schedule:

Sunday, May 1:

10:00 AM - Ceremony #1 - Education, Business & Public Administration

12:15 PM - Ceremony #2 - Natural Sciences and Career/Tech Ed

2:30 PM - Ceremony #3 - Humanities, Social Sciences, AA, and BLA

All commencement plans are subject to change at any time due to health concerns.

Ketchikan:

UAS Ketchikan honors 2021-2022 graduates with an in-person commencement ceremony on Saturday, April 30, 2022 at 2 p.m. to celebrate our graduates. The event will be held at the Ted Ferry Civic Center. Contact [Tessa Nelson](#) with questions or concerns about graduation or the Ketchikan commencement. Ketchikan will be honoring David Kiffer with an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

Sitka:

Sitka will host a live commencement ceremony this year. We will be reading all the names of students in Sitka degree programs who completed in Summer 2021, Fall 2021, and candidates for Spring 2022. The live ceremony will be April 29, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at Centennial Hall. Graduates arrive by 6:30 for instructions and Graduation line up. It is recommended due to COVID that graduates invite no more than 2 guests. Sitka will be honoring Dr. Elliott Bruhl with a Meritorious Service Award.

RADIO

- KINY - on the last Thursday of each month at 8:30 AM we have a regular spot on the program "Capital Chat"
- KTOO - on the third Wednesday of each month at 3:00 PM we have a regular spot on the program "Juneau Afternoon"
- Need to get on the radio on a different day? I can help you connect with the radio stations to be a guest on one of their programs at other times if you would like to promote something you are working on
- Additionally, every Monday morning at 7:25 AM, Chancellor Carey has a brief interview on KINY's Community Connection. The campus calendar is a great resource for content for this - make sure your entries are up to date!

Recent UAS guests:

KTOO's A Juneau Afternoon program:

- [March 16, 2022: UAS Receives Gold Award Status for Military Friendly Programs](#) - Deb Rydman, UAS Career Services, with special guest graduate Emily Klosterman
- [March 30, 2022: Tidal Echoes](#) - Shaelene Moler, Junior Editor

PRESS RELEASES

You can send ideas and materials for press releases through our internal form [here](#). You can submit full write-ups, photos, or even just some bullet points to get me started. Quotes and photos are always great things to enhance our releases and make them more likely to get picked up. Help us tell your story! All press releases from current times going back to 2007 are posted on the site uas.alaska.edu/about/press-releases/. The [most recent press releases](#) are:

- [Dannielle Carlson hired as UAS Alaska Native Student Success Specialist](#)
- [University of Alaska Southeast names Dr. Maren Haavig as Provost](#)
- [UAS Egan Library Selected for Competitive Federal Humanities Grant](#)
- [UAS Designated as 2022-2023 Military Friendly School Gold Status](#)

EVENING AT EGAN

- Fall event only - but please send me any ideas you have for Fall 2022.
 - These will take place every 2 weeks between September and November.
 - Not sure what format will be yet - possibly a hybrid between in-person and virtual.
 - Share your ideas for speakers [here](#)
 - all of our past lectures can be found on our [UASoutheast Youtube channel](#).
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Development & Alumni Relations

Lynne Johnson, Director

- At the last JCAC meeting on March 7, Lynne reported that the Ted Stevens Foundation is renewing its 5-year support of the legislative internship program, committing to \$50k per year outright, with \$10k of that being raised through a match.
 - The alumni association is sponsoring a talk by two science faculty, with a date to be announced in April, on monitoring environmental change in Juneau.
 - UAS Alumni & Friends will be part of the alumni group for a Mariners game on June 11 in Seattle.
 - [Join the UAS Alumni & Friends Association](#) - it's about connections, impact, and membership. Whether you are an alumni or a friend of UAS and want to contribute to changing lives in a meaningful and engaging way.
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Egan Library

Elise Tomlinson, Dean

The Egan Library has been selected as one of 200 libraries nationwide for the American Library Association's American Rescue Plan: Humanities Grants for Libraries opportunity, an emergency relief program to assist libraries that have been adversely affected by the pandemic. American Rescue Plan: Humanities Grants for Libraries is an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) made possible with funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The competitive award comes with a \$10,000 grant that will help the Egan Library and the UAS Alaska Native Languages and Studies program to convert the Cyril George Indigenous Knowledge Collection to an Indigenous knowledge organization system. [Read more about it here.](#)

Ketchikan

Dr. Priscilla Schulte, Campus Director

- The UAS Maritime Training Center is very busy with training employees for the Alaska Marine Highway. Full Bridge simulator is also being used by Sea Pilots, US Coast Guard, and Alaska Marine Highway. (excellence, diversity, access, collaboration)
- Jessica Driscoll, Academic Advisor has been working with the Ketchikan high schools on dual enrollment classes and a UAS admissions workshop. (excellence, diversity, access, collaboration)

- The Ketchikan Campus Library is hosting Ask UAS on March 31st with Gary Freitag talking about local fisheries, invasive species and changes due to the effects of climate change. (excellence, access, collaboration, sustainability, and stewardship)
 - Professors Jen Brown, Priscilla Schulte, Forest Haven and Daniel Monteith were featured as the Plenary Session at the Society for Applied Anthropology on March 23rd in Salt Lake City, Utah. (excellence, diversity, access, collaboration)
 - Professor John Radzilowski gave several presentations this year:
 - “Tracking Secondary Migration among Polish and Slovak Immigrants,” Jan. 8, 2022, American Historical Association, New Orleans.
 - “American Polonia and World War I,” Polish Lecture Series, Pope St. John Paul II Institute, University of St. Thomas (Houston), Dec. 7 (via zoom).
 - “Forgotten Battlefield? September 1939 and the History of World War II,” 14th Annual Kosciuszko Chair Conference, Institute of World Politics, Washington, D.C., Nov. 12; available on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lb_ksWtUJsg
 - Invited panelist: “Clash of Cultures in U.S.: How Will It Affect the World?” conference *Cultural Struggle in the EU: To Adapt or to Fight?* New Direction Foundation [EU Parliament], Warsaw, Poland, Nov. 4 (via zoom)
 - “Poles in the Military Forces of the USA: A Brief Historical Outline,” Przystanek Historia IPN, Institute for National Remembrance, Szczecin, Poland, Sept. 16 (via zoom). (excellence, collaboration, diversity)
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Sitka

Dr. Paul Kraft, Campus Director

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Facilities

Nathan Leigh, Director

We are finally constructing our new science building! After decades of planning for a new science building in our [Master Plan](#), years of design, more years of budget cuts and two years of pandemic, the contractor will start construction on our new building in April 2022. On March 4th, we opened new bids. As we expected, the cost increased substantially due to the delays and the supply chain issues, but it was still within our capacity to fund. On March 25th, the UA Board of Regents met in a special meeting and approved us to proceed with construction. Here is a link to the [UA Board Website](#) where you can watch this meeting and download documents that give a detailed history of the project.

This building will create a new home for teaching and research to support the distinctive marine-oriented environmental and interdisciplinary science programs offered at UAS. As you can see from the architect's renderings, this is a beautiful building in a beautiful setting with an oceanfront view that will inspire the next generation of environmental scientists. I cannot wait to see students studying in this building and enjoying views on the sun deck.

With all the discouraging news around the world about war, inflation, supply chain issues and a lingering pandemic, it will be nice to watch a new building taking shape over the next couple of years and know that it will be one more asset to help us to fulfill our [UAS Mission](#). Please watch for progress updates of our new building in future additions of the [Level](#) or on our Construction [Campus Construction Update](#) website.



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