Chancellor’s Office

Dr. Karen Carey, Chancellor

Here’s some of what I have been doing this month:

- Completed an NWCCU site visit - access, collaboration
- Attended Evening at Egan - excellence, diversity, sustainability
- Attended the Juneau Economic Development Council - access, collaboration, sustainability
- Attended the Board of Regents Committee Meetings and the Board of Regents meeting - excellence, access, diversity, collaboration
- Attended the Alaska Miners Association meeting - access, diversity, collaboration, excellence
- Attended the Juneau Campus Advisory Council - excellence, access, collaboration
- Attended Executive Council, Executive Cabinet, Cabinet, met with members of the Executive Cabinet, Equity and Compliance, and Emergency Management in one-on-one meetings, Foundation President, President Pitney, Emeriti Chancellors and Provosts, Development, Dean of Students, Staff Council - excellence, access, collaboration, diversity, stewardship, sustainability

Development & Alumni Relations - Lynne Johnson, Director

In support of UAS, the Development Office has received the following pledge payments in the past month in support of UAS programs & students:

- Ted Stevens Foundation -$60,606.06 (Senator Ted Stevens Legislative Internship Program)
- Alan Akiyama - $25,300.00 (Akiyama Family Endowed Scholarship)

Emergency/Risk Management & Safety - Ryan Sand, Director of EHS, Emergency & Risk Management Services

- It is that time of year again and a few slips, trips, and falls have already been reported. We ask employees and students to be extra aware of slippery and icy conditions. Please report any campus involved injuries promptly through https://uas.alaska.edu/policies/reporting-portal.html. And yes, let us know if you need ice cleats.
- In coordination with regional first responder agencies, we have joined in the first full-scale emergency exercise involving UAS students and employees in Ketchikan. This multi-part
planning and operational drill has been years in the making and we look forward to sharing our experiences and lessons learned.

- David Pikul has been busy taking part in training this past month and was fortunate enough to complete incident command training with CCFR and FEMA/University of Texas.
- Emergency Management & Facilities will be conducting mandatory fire drills at the Lakeside buildings, Egan (east wing & Library), TEC & Anderson. We apologize for holding these drills as the cold weather sets in, but a delay occurred due to some fire department & alarm system modifications, along with awaiting the electrician position to be filled.

**Equity & Compliance** - Ryan Wark, Director

No updates this month.

**Public Information Office** - Keni Campbell, Public Information Officer

**Evening at Egan** (*collaboration/excellence*): The final Evening at Egan was a UAS Creative Showcase featuring faculty from the School of Arts & Sciences. All Evening at Egan lectures are recorded and posted to the [UAS YouTube channel](#).

**Radio** (*collaboration/excellence*): I can help you connect with the radio stations to be a guest on one of their programs if you would like to promote something you are working on. Recent UAS guests:

- **KTOO’s A Juneau Afternoon program:**
  - November 9: [Waging Peace in Vietnam Exhibit](#) - Dr. David Noon, UAS Professor of History
- **KINY’s Capital Chat**
  - November 2: [New UAS Dean of Students](#) - Nathan Bodenstadt

**Press releases** (*collaboration/excellence*): Help us tell your story! Send ideas and materials for press releases through our internal form [here](#). Most recent press releases (linked):

- [UAS Professor X’unei Lance Twitchell Nominated for Emmy Award for his work on Molly of Denali](#)
- [New Natural Sciences Building for UAS is Underway](#)
- [UAS Creative Showcase for Final Lecture](#)
- [2022 UAS Faculty & Staff Excellence](#)
- [Waging Peace in Vietnam Exhibits and Events](#)
- [Juneau Events Showcase Music on the Science of Climate Change](#)
- [Lessons from Indigenous Tourism for a Regenerative Future](#)
- [UAS Education Faculty Angela Lunda Successfully Defends Dissertation on Cultural Identity Development](#)

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**Provost’s Office**

**Dr. Maren Haavig, Provost & Dean of Research & Sponsored Programs**

- Attended the NWCCU annual conference in Seattle, WA - first one in person since I assumed the responsibilities of UAS Accreditation Liaison Officer (*excellence, collaboration, sustainability, stewardship*)
- Participated in the completion of the UAS section of the annual budget narratives process required by the Governor’s Office of Management & Budget (OMB). The information will be reported in the Governor’s FY24 Budget Book (*collaboration, sustainability*)
- Worked with faculty groups to procure technology to be installed in three Egan classrooms and license for Screencast-O-Matic (collaboration, excellence, access)
- Reviewed faculty sabbatical and professional development fund applications (excellence, sustainability, diversity)

Research & Sponsored Programs
- URECA applications are available for student submission. We look forward to receiving a record number of submissions this year! Thanks to Kelly Jensen and Charmaine Robinson for their work on this project (excellence, collaboration)

Institutional Effectiveness - Kristen Handley, Director
- There is a NEW dashboard available for use:
  - Race and Ethnicity at UAS
    - This dashboard is based on Fall open freeze data and provides the race and ethnicity of students and employees. I provided training on utilizing this dashboard to the Chancellor's Cabinet and am happy to walk through it with others.
    - Located on the Overview IE webpage: https://uas.alaska.edu/ie/overview.html
- The course enrollment dashboards have been updated!
  - Course Enrollment at Open Freeze
  - Course Enrollment at Close Freeze
  - Updates include:
    - Flag for identifying courses with ‘Zero Textbook Cost’
    - Start date & end date added
    - Stacked/Crosslisted courses flagged & a specific tab for those courses has been added
  - Located on the Student Enrollment webpage: https://uas.alaska.edu/ie/enrollment.html
- Attended the NWCCU Annual Conference - In Person!
  - I met with our new NWCCU contact, Ed Harri
- Continue to train our School of Education data analyst
- Continuing to participate in WICHE No Holds Back Grant project & Arts & Sciences Steering Committee

Education

Dr. Maren Haavig, Interim Dean
- SOE faculty and staff are busy with three recruitments: Dean, MAT faculty, and Special Education Faculty (2 positions) (sustainability, stewardship, diversity, access)
- SOE faculty and staff hosted their quarterly External Advisory Committee meeting on Monday, November 14.

Career & Technical Education

Pete Traxler, Executive Dean

No updates this month.
Administrative Services

Michael Ciri, Vice Chancellor

Grants, Contracts & Budget - Julie Vigil, Director

Nothing to report at this time.

Information Technology - Michael Ciri, Director

- UA is expanding multi-factor authentication to all non-terminated employees. This will impact former student employees who have not been terminated in Banner by their department as well as adjunct faculty who are not currently on assignment. (stewardship)

Business Services - Jon Lasinski, Director

- Our wonderful Bursar, Jodi Van Kirk is leaving UAS. Last full day is 11/18. She will remain in a temporary position to help with the transition. Please wish her the best of luck.
- Welcome Rachel Jacobus to the UAS Office of the Bursar! She will be our Acting Bursar with a career track to become the official Bursar.
- The Lead Cashier position is reposted. Please encourage folks to apply.
- Spring 2023 UAS-MBS Bookstore website (all campuses) will be active for students on Monday, November 14th (for all course/books provided)
- Spring 2023 payment plans (all campuses) will be available for enrollment starting Monday, November 14th
- Due to staffing changes, all course textbook requests should be sent to uas.textbooks@alaska.edu
- Be sure to complete / submit any outstanding Fall 2022 employee (dependent) tuition waiver request forms by December 9th
- Deadline for submitting Summer 2023 textbook changes to meet the MBS live-date is Friday, January 13th

Human Resources - Louisa Cryan, UA Senior Business Partner for UAS

The Personnel Team has developed a series of new web pages to help get you started with job setups for employees. Visit the new page to find templates, instructions, and detailed information on setting up and making changes for each employee type. (access, collaboration, excellence)

Wellness Rebates - Payroll will be issuing the Wellness Rebates in R23 2022. (access, collaboration, excellence)

COVID Admin Leave (Code 467) -COVID Admin Leave has ended and the last usage was available in R22 2022. This leave type has been removed from the Web Timesheets. Please use sick leave where appropriate. (access, collaboration)

Holiday Timesheet Deadlines -The upcoming R24 2022 pay period has the following early submission dates for employees and supervisors due to the Thanksgiving holiday:
Employee deadline: Friday, 11/18/22 before 5 p.m.
Approver deadline: Monday, 11/21/22 before 5 p.m. (access, collaboration)
**Enrollment Management & Student Affairs**

*Lori Klein, Vice Chancellor*

- Spring 2023 enrollment reporting will be available in December. Spring registration for program students opens November 14 and for everyone on November 28th.
- Attended the Northwest Commission on College and University (NWCCU) annual conference in early November.
- UAS will be closing out our contract with Hanover Research in December. Hanover has conducted seven projects for UAS in the last two years. These projects have informed our Strategic Enrollment Plan.
- The new, current UAS Strategic Enrollment Plan can be found [here](#).

**Admissions / Recruiting / Advising** - Dash Hillgartner, Dean of Admissions

- Admissions hired a new Admissions Counselor, Kailey Pritzl, an internal hire and UAS alumna *(excellence, stewardship)*
- The Admissions Counselor attended UA Scholars events hosted in Anchorage, Matsu and Fairbanks. While traveling for this event, Kailey visited and presented at 8 high schools in these areas *(access, collaboration)*
- Admissions attended the NACAC Seattle College fair and collected 1330 leads *(diversity)*

**UAS STEPS (Supporting Transitions and Educational Promise Southeast Alaska) Promise Neighborhoods Grant** - Tina Ryman

- STEPS supported Dr. Drew Koch’s visit from the Gardner Institute. Dr. Koch gave five presentations and met with two groups of academic leadership and faculty during his visit in early October.
- STEPS supported Dr. Charla Brown to attend the one-day Now For Next Conference in Anchorage, sponsored by the Association of Alaska School Boards and AlaskaCAN!
- The STEPS grant sunsets this December. Many thanks to Tina Ryman, who has served as our STEPS grant coordinator for the last five years.

**Registrar’s Office** - Trisha Lee, Registrar

- Spring 2023 priority registration for UAS program students began on November 14th. Spring 2023 registration for all students begins November 28th. *(excellence, access, collaboration)*
- Currently finalizing the Summer 2023 course schedule and will soon be working on Fall 2023. *(excellence, collaboration)*
- We will be posting a recruitment announcement around Fall Break for a Student Information Specialist (front counter position). *(diversity)*

**Creative Agency** - Alison Krein, Creative Manager

- Launched the Spring Apply/Register ad campaign on social, radio, web, and mailer *(collaboration, excellence)*
- Continued development of the Intelligence Project, an internal analytics working group *(collaboration, excellence)*
- Development team is in final stages of Help Desk website redesign *(collaboration, excellence)*
Financial Aid - Janelle Cook, Director

- Completing the New Year Aid set up in banner for the 2023-2024 academic year. (access, stewardship)
- Finalizing the leveraging plan for 2023-2024. (access, collaboration, excellence, diversity)
- Will be working with the Deans and Directors to come up with their tuition waiver plans for the 2023-2024 academic year. (access, collaboration, excellence, diversity)
- Sadly, Paige Dillard is leaving UAS and will be moving down to Oregon. Her last day will be December 30, 2022.

Students / Campus Life

Residence Life, Housing & Dining - Nathan Bodenstadt, Dean of Students

- Interviews for a new Director of Residence Life are underway. Campus visits are tentatively planned for early December. -- (excellence, access, diversity, stewardship)
- Spring 2023 New Student Orientation and Welcome Week planning are underway. A new Orientation committee has formed to look at future year planning as well - (access, stewardship, excellence, collaboration)
- Kelly Donahower has started as our new Residence Services Coordinator - (stewardship, excellence)
- Students may now opt in to Dining plan changes between Fall and Spring Term. Students may change to any meal plan they are eligible for (up to 4) through Student Housing Self-Service. - (stewardship, access, excellence)

Native & Rural Student Center - Kolene James, Student Equity and Multicultural Services Manager

November is Native History Month at UAS!

- We finished with week 2 of the walking challenge and started the third week with over 50 (students, staff, and faculty) participants. If you have not registered to walk, registration is open until the last day to submit minutes on 11/28. This event is open to our UAS community and UA faculty, staff, and students living in Juneau, Ketchikan, and Sitka. Happy walking! (UAS Values of excellence, diversity, access, collaboration)

- Wooch.een hosted a Qaspak making session with Janelle Cook. We had 10 participants (9 students, 1 staff) this past weekend. (UAS Values of excellence, diversity, access, collaboration)

Our 2nd Annual Community Feast is here!!! 11/16, Wednesday, Lakeside Grill in-person (UAS Values of excellence, diversity, access, collaboration, sustainability, and stewardship)

For folks online https://alaska.zoom.us/j/88193423223

10am – 11:55am, Student volunteers will be in the Mourant courtyard collecting personal notes/names (of loved ones/ancestors) from our UAS faculty, staff, and students to be placed in the fire pit during our fire dish ceremony at 11:55am with Xh’unei. 12pm start serving food as people are seated (volunteers will continue to serve guests throughout the program) 12:05pm Student Welcome to the 2nd Annual Community Feast (Wooch.een EMCEE's
sprinkled throughout the event ) 5 mins
12:10pm Aak’w Kwaan Welcome and message from Raven Dog Salmon Frances Houston 10 mins
Eagle Shark Naomi Michalsen 10 mins
12:30pm UAS Welcome from Chancellor Carey 5 mins
12:35pm Forest Haven- going to talk about Food Sovereignty, 15 mins
12:50pm Xhunei- Food Sovereignty, 15 mins
1:05pm Kaia Henricksen, the truth about problematic holidays, 15 mins
1:20pm Dean Silkaitis with healing energy and breathing techniques, 10 mins
1:30pm Try Station, locally harvested goods up for sample, Naomi and Kolene, 5 mins
1:40pm Table toppers, Wooch.Een, 5 mins

2pm Invite everyone to help clean up

• Traditional Games season kick-off, for ages 12 and up, 11/19, Saturday, 11am – 4pm at the UAS Recreation Center, to register to participate contact kworl@ccthita-nsn.gov (UAS Values of excellence, diversity, access, collaboration)

Student Engagement & Leadership - Mallory Nash, Student Engagement Manager

• On Wednesday, November 16 Campus Life will host the annual Community Feast - we’re assisting the NRSC, Wooch.een, and Kolene in supplying volunteers. We have nearly 20 people signed up to assist! (excellence, diversity, collaboration, stewardship)
• Student Government is working on a couple of surveys to address the needs and interests of the student body. (excellence, access, sustainability, diversity, collaboration, stewardship)
• SAB is partnering with Housing for the upcoming Snow Ball on December 9. (excellence & collaboration)
• The Whalesong has released its first print of the semester, with another print coming December 1. In addition, they’ve published weekly content digitally. (excellence, access, sustainability, diversity, collaboration, stewardship)
• In October, we hosted club officer orientation. We have 12 clubs registered this fall! (excellence, access, diversity, collaboration)
• Our Alaska Airlines Student Concert Series will be starting again in the Spring; with two events already lined up! (excellence, diversity, collaboration, stewardship)

Disability Services, Health Clinic & Counseling - Carrie Kline, Lead Counselor

Disability Services:

• Disability Services is working with students and faculty for accommodation requests for the Fall semester. 115 students have registered with DS this fall semester for academic, housing, and meal plan accommodations. If you have questions, please contact the DS office. (Excellence, Diversity, Access, Collaboration)
• Over 300 UA faculty and staff participated in the DS UA Conference. The Conference was hosted by UAS, UAA and UAF Disability Support Offices & UA HR Accessibility Team. Faculty and staff who registered for the conference received a link to watch the recording. Session recordings will also be posted on a YouTube channel at a later date. (Excellence, Diversity, Access, Collaboration)

Health Clinic:
• The Health Clinic is partnering with the NRSC and REC Center to host a walking challenge in November (Excellence, Diversity, Access, Collaboration, stewardship).

Counseling:

• Counseling has been working closely with students to support mental health needs. If you have questions, wish to collaborate, or would like to consult, please contact the Counseling Office (Excellence, Diversity, Access, Collaboration, Stewardship).

Recreation Center - Dave Klein, Associate Director of Campus Recreation

Nothing to report at this time.

Arts & Sciences

Carin Silkaitis, Dean

Colleagues:
I attended the CCAS (Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences) Conference in Washington DC. This conference is generally attended by Deans and Associate Deans from across the country (although there were some department chairs in attendance!) The conference was fantastic, and I will be focusing on implementing their work on new faculty mentorship. I have some ideas I am excited about, and I will be floating them past the Chairs in the Deans Council.

The Dean’s office has been busy with Arts and Sciences Strategic Planning this month - preparing for Michele Thornton’s second visit to Alaska. This time, she began in Juneau - meeting with the planning committee and then flying to Ketchikan the next day. We spent a full day at UAS Ketchikan where Michele met with faculty, staff and members of the community. I sat in on the community luncheon, and it was an exciting/robust conversation full of potential and possibility. Next, we flew to Sitka where Michele held the same meetings (faculty, staff and community) and found some time to explore the downtown area. We came back to Juneau where Michele held two roundtable discussions with faculty, one with staff and one with students. We held one final meeting with the planning team to try and distill down large themes that appeared in these meetings.

Next steps in the Strategic Planning Process: (rough outline)
1. Michele will hold zoom sessions for those who couldn’t attend in person. One for faculty, one for staff, and one with students.
2. Michele will work on synthesizing the results from each roundtable discussion.
3. Michele and Carin will work on the language for Report #2 that will be made publicly available to all of UAS via the Strategic Planning website: https://sites.google.com/view/uas-arts-sciences-2022-2023/home
4. That report should arrive in mid-December.
5. As a reminder - this website will be the main vehicle where the reports, updates and documents live related to the strategic planning process. Today, you will find a clear articulation of the purpose and goals of this process, details on who has been involved to date, and our consultant’s first report. One important feature of this report is a timeline of expected events during the planning process.
6. We will be sending out a follow-up survey to faculty and staff this spring - this survey will solicit your feedback on the initiatives that came out of your discussions with Michele. Additionally, we are hoping to identify champions that align with specific initiatives.
7. Michele will be back in Juneau in March. She will meet with newly identified groups (TBA).
8. In April she will visit all 3 campuses again for the final stage of the planning process.
Some general announcements from our office (via the wonderful Haley Reed):

- **UAS & Goldbelt Tram Kootéeyaa Project** - Goldbelt, Inc. made a generous gift of $30,000 in support of the UAS Alaska Native Carving classes. This gift is aimed at creating an educational opportunity for UAS students through the commission of a kootéeyaa (totem pole) commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Goldbelt Mt. Roberts tram. The gift will be used for the purchase of tools, materials, equipment and adjunct faculty stipends. Asst. Professor Kaax Tséen Sheakley will lead UAS carving students in creating the kootéeyaa. *(excellence, stewardship, diversity, access, collaboration)*

- **New ABIS Building Updates** - The Auke Bay Integrated Science Building is currently under construction. It will be a 12,000 square foot, two-level teaching and laboratory building. It is taking the place of the 60-year-old lab and three out-buildings by the Anderson Building on Auke Bay. The ABISB has a smaller footprint, allowing students to better enjoy the natural surroundings of the Auke Bay waterfront. The final beam in the supporting steel structure was placed this fall, after being signed by students, staff, and members of the construction crew, following in the tradition among ironworkers. *(collaboration, excellence, access, sustainability)*

- **Community Partnerships: Perseverance Theater** - UAS revived its partnership with Perseverance Theater early this year. UAS and Perseverance Theater's partnership first began and has been sustained through the Connie Boochever Endowment for Arts, established through a generous gift from Judge Robert Boochever in honor of his late wife. A supporter and participant in the theater community, Dean Carin Silkaitis was enthusiastic to bring back this partnership, providing the opportunity for UAS students to engage in the theatre community. This past year, students, faculty, and staff have been able to attend showings of The Brothers Paranormal, Fun Home, and Where the Summit Meets the Stars. We are excited to see where this partnership takes us in the future. A reminder to faculty: Perseverance artists are available to attend classes, give guest lectures, etc. Little Women is coming up next! Does anyone need a lecture? Contact the Dean’s office! *(excellence, collaboration, diversity, access)*

**ACRC**
- The ACRC hosted the Coastal Margins Research Coordination Network fall seminar series. *(sustainability, excellence, collaboration)*

**Natural Sciences**
- Heidi Pearson shared information about the Marine Biology and Fisheries programs during a recruitment event for College of the Canyons. *(sustainability, excellence, access, collaboration)*
- Heidi Pearson took 17 students from her BIOL S375: Discussions in Marine Mammalogy class to Sitka WhaleFest, Nov. 3-6. They attended the three-day Scientific Symposium, “How it’s Made: Courting, Babies, & Growth” and had small group discussions with the speakers afterwards. They also participated in workshops on marine mammal necropsies, fish dissection, and emerging technology, and went on a marine wildlife cruise in Sitka Sound. *(excellence, collaboration, access, sustainability)*

**Business & Public Administration**
- Dr. Charla Brown was invited and attended the Association of Alaska School Boards (AASB) and AlaskaCAN Now for Next directly related to the future of Alaska’s workforce development generously sponsored by the STEPS grant. The conference ties to Workforce Development and
Charla’s work on developing a Southeast Alaska OEC that will be interdisciplinary. (*collaboration, excellence, stewardship*)

- BPA submitted an annual report and funding request to Northrim to continue to support students connecting with professionals; ACBSP Accreditation; and Marketing and Rebranding. (*stewardship, excellence, access*)
- The Business Advisory Council (BAC) met for their Fall meeting in November. The BAC is chaired by retired Accounting Professor and Small Business Owner, Julie Hamilton. (*excellence, sustainability*)

Social Sciences

- No updates at this time.

Humanities

- Emily Wall’s poem “Gathering Sweetness” was chosen as one of three first place winners in *Cirque’s* poetry contest “Order Chaos and What’s Happening Now.” (*excellence*)

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**Alaska Native Programs/PITAAS**

Ronalda Cadiente Brown, Associate Vice Chancellor

The PITAAS Program launched its Spring 2023 scholarship application on Friday, *Nov 4, 2022*. This is the general fund allocation. Sealaska Heritage Institute will initiate a federal grant that includes School of Education scholarships estimated to become available to eligible students by Summer 2023. (*Diversity*)

Alaska Native Success Initiative leads will serve as part of a hiring committee for the new ANSI UA lead.

Planning is underway for a dinner honoring Alaska Native partners scheduled for *Dec 14, 2022* in Anchorage to recognize the critical partnerships UA has with Alaska Native Organizations that benefit the UA system. (*Diversity, Collaboration*)

I will serve on the hiring committee for the Dean of the UAS School of Education. Preliminary screening is under way. (*stewardship*)

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**Egan Library**

Elise Tomlinson, Dean

Library

**Holiday Closures**: Egan Library will be open to the public during the soft closure in December, and closed during the soft closure in January.

**LS 110, 111, and LS220**: Please consider encouraging your students to register for spring LS classes:
- LS 110 (FTF, Juneau) and LS 111 (online): Library Resources and Information Literacy
  1 credit
  - Students learn the basics of academic library research and information literacy. Past students have reported a significant increase in confidence with research and that these courses helped them to be more successful in their other classes. One student reported that they had no idea how much they didn't know about research and the resources available to them. These classes are really valuable for students but can be a hard sell. If faculty encourage students to enroll, it really helps.
- LS 220: Internet and Society (online) 3 credits
  - This course provides a deeper understanding of the power structures that shape the Internet, social media and contemporary society. We'll explore current topics, like Elon Musk's Twitter takeover, legislative efforts related to content moderation and of course, cookies and their role in the eerie personalization of our internet experience.

*(access, excellence)*

**Writing Center**

Updates from the Writing Center:
- The Writing Center will be closed for Fall Break beginning Weds., Nov. 23, reopening the following Monday
- The Writing Center now provides weekly tutoring in the NRSC on Thursday from 2-4pm
- The Writing Center is the cosponsor of the Waging Peace in Vietnam writing contest
- The submission period for the 4th edition of Summit is Dec. 1-Feb. 1

*(access, excellence)*

**Learning / Testing Center**

The Learning and Testing Centers *may* need to close unexpectedly in the coming weeks, due to some staffing issues. Every attempt will be made to keep the Centers open for all regularly scheduled hours. When possible, please call ahead to verify that the Centers are open: 907-796-6348

*(access, excellence)*

**CELT**

Below are recent / upcoming faculty-led programs through CELT with links to resources:

- Words Matter: Using Your Syllabus as a Tool to Promote Student Belonging and a Growth Mindset. Presented by Dr. Jill Dumesnil on Nov. 1st. (Email Kaia Henrickson for links to the recording and support materials.)
- **Ally's Alternative Formats**, Presenter, Kaia Henrickson, on Tuesday, Nov 15th from 3:30-4pm over Zoom.
- **A Zoom of One's Own: UAS Faculty Panel on Hybrid Teaching**, Presenters: Drs. X'unei Lance Twitchell, Bill Urquhart, and Glenn Wright, on Thursday, Nov 17th from 9-9:50am, over Zoom & in Egan 108 (in Juneau)

Also, Blackboard Ally is now implemented for all courses. Trudy, John, and Kimberly put together some great support materials:

- Improve Accessibility with Ally
Ketchikan Campus

**Dr. Priscilla Schulte, Campus Director**

- Successfully passed the U.S. Coast Guard audit of selected maritime classes. (excellence, access)
- The USDA grant funded class entitled Foods from the Beach and the Forest taught by Barbara Morgan, Priscilla Schulte, and Naomi Michalsen enjoyed a cooking night led by Cameo McRoberts at the Ketchikan High School culinary Kitchen. Dishes were prepared using a variety of foods from the beach and forest. (excellence, access, diversity, sustainability, and stewardship)
- Ketchikan’s faculty professional development series, Enhancing Instruction, had Friday noon sessions under the leadership of Kasia Polanska. These included: The Student Registration Process by Jessica Driscoll, Enrollment Caps for Online Asynchronous Courses: Research on Best Practices by James Ryan, Teaching Youth vs Adults by Barbara Morgan, and Ready to Explore? Finding OER and Zero Textbook Cost Materials by Jonas Lamb. These were held in the UAS Ketchikan Campus Library. (excellence, collaboration, diversity)
- Ask UAS: Where Ketchikan Finds Answers will host Ketchikan/Misty Fjords Ranger District Archaeologist Michelle Gray with a presentation entitled A History of Ward Lake. Ask UAS is live-streamed on Facebook and the public are welcome to attend in person. (access, excellence, diversity, stewardship)

Sitka Campus

**Dr. Paul Kraft, Campus Director**

- Attended the Alaska Association for Career and Technical Education conference in Anchorage in order to explore more partnership opportunities with business, industry and K-12 entities. (Collaboration, Sustainability, Access)
- Led and participated in the Community Campus Directors Council meeting in Anchorage along with colleagues from the other Alaska community campuses, President Pitney and members of the university administration. (Excellence, Collaboration, Stewardship)
- The three academic advisors (Katie, Aklei and Kristin) attended the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) conference in Portland, OR and brought back some ideas on how to modify and enhance current advising practices. (Excellence, Access, Collaboration)
- Our three SUPPORT Specialists, (James, Kymberly and Courtney) braved Hurricane Nicole and attended the national EAB conference in Orlando, FL. They will be reporting out on what they learned at the next all-campus meeting. (Excellence, Access, Collaboration)
- UAS Sitka has been a prominent presence in the November Rotary meetings with Katie Sill leading a discussion on Dual Enrollment, Angie Bowers, Sara Ebersole and the aquaculture semester students explaining all things ‘aquaculture’ and Paul Kraft giving the latest information about the Sitka campus programs and activities. (Access, Collaboration, Sustainability)
- The campus has hosted about a dozen activities as part of the community focus on Native American Heritage month
Facilities Services

Nathan Leigh, Director

Facilities Services (stewardship) of our buildings, roads, walkways, utilities and landscaping are highlighted in our October edition of the Facilities Services newsletter, “The Level.”
https://uas.alaska.edu/facilities_services/index.html

Chancellor’s Advisory Committee on Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Cultural Safety (DEICS)

Dr. Math Trafton and Courtney MacArthur, Co-Chairs

- There is a new address for the DEICS webpage, which includes agendas and minutes from previous meetings.
- We are currently in the process of actively refining AY23 top priorities.
- We are also planning a committee retreat in Juneau to take place in the spring semester.
- The DEICS Faculty Handbook Subcommittee meets monthly to develop a series of new proposals designed to further promote DEICS efforts in the policies defined by the Full-time Faculty Handbook and the Adjunct Faculty Handbook. These proposals are submitted to the Faculty Senate president for faculty review, and so far this year, the subcommittee has advanced 8 proposed edits.
- The DEICS Discrimination Rapid Response Subcommittee has crafted a letter to the UA BOR, President, and Vice President in response to some discriminatory implications from one regent’s comments in the board’s September meeting. A response has been received, and the DEICS committee will decide what, if any, further action will be taken. This response subcommittee has also drafted a letter to express support for the UAS Juneau Student Government’s efforts to add a racial and ethnic harassment statement to the Student Code of Conduct.

Chancellor’s Advisory Committee on Alaska Native Education (CACANE)

Mischa Jackson and Janelle Cook, Co-Chairs

- Held our second meeting of the semester and worked on developing our top priorities that we want to work on this upcoming school year. (collaboration, sustainability, stewardship, diversity)
- Met with Chancellor Carey to go over our priorities for the year. (collaboration, excellence, stewardship)
- Members are working on the Nov 16th community feast, Xunei and Forest will be presenting during that time (diversity, collaboration, excellence, stewardship)
- New faculty/staff joining, reviewing priorities that align with mission and ANSI goals. (collaboration, diversity)
- This year’s focus will be outreach with community stakeholders and supporting professional development for faculty and staff (collaboration, excellence, stewardship, diversity, sustainability)