

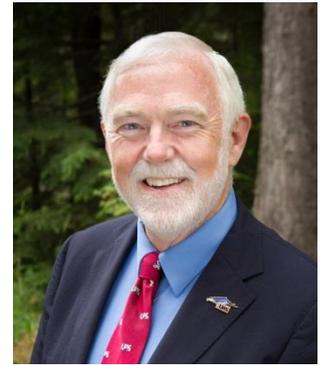
CHANCELLOR'S COMMENTS:

From UAS Chancellor Rick Caulfield

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SUMMER BRINGS NEW LEADERSHIP, TALENT, AND ENERGY

Summer at UAS brings a different pace of activities: new faces on campus, intensive campus-based cohort classes, youth camps, field-based research opportunities, and much more. It's also a time when faculty and staff often adjust schedules so that they can enjoy time with family and friends in beautiful Southeast Alaska (and the weather's been great so far!).

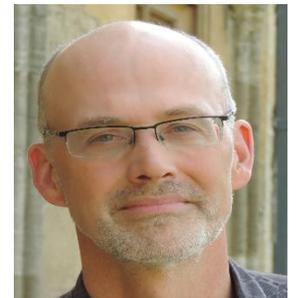


Summer is also a time of transition, where we say goodbye to some faculty and staff who are retiring or moving. Sad as we are at these departures, there's also great excitement about new faculty and staff—and academic leaders—who are arriving and bringing energy for the coming academic year and beyond. I'm particularly excited about the quality and promise of these newly hired leaders and faculty.



Most of you know that Professor Leslie Gordon has transitioned from her faculty role with the Health Information Management Program at the Sitka Campus to step into the leadership role as Campus Director. She brings to her new role a deep commitment to students, to the Sitka Campus, and to UAS. Welcome Leslie!

Provost Carey and I are excited to welcome Dr. Tom Thornton as our new Dean of Arts and Sciences and Vice-Provost for Research and Sponsored Programs. Tom taught anthropology here at UAS over a decade ago and then moved with his family to Oxford in the UK. We're thrilled that he's decided to move back to Alaska and provide leadership for programs in humanities, management, natural sciences, public administration, and social sciences.



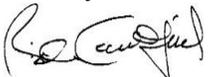
Similarly, we're excited to welcome Dr. Steve Atwater to UAS as Executive Dean for the new Alaska College of Education. Steve comes to UAS with a wealth of experience teaching in schools



in western Alaska (Emmonak, King Salmon) and serving as Superintendent in the Lake and Peninsula School District and Kenai School District. Steve will serve as dean for UAS programs and also provide leadership statewide in teacher education and educational leadership.

We're also excited about a number of new faculty hires: Ketchikan Campus: Steve Florian, Assistant Professor of Communications. Sitka Campus: Joel Markis, transition to tenure-track Assistant Professor of Fisheries Technology. Juneau Campus: Ye Chen, Assistant Professor of STEM; Emily Williams, Associate Professor of Special Education, Michael Collins, Assistant Professor of History; Wayne Price, Associate Professor of Northwest Coast Arts, Kaia Hendrickson, Assistant Professor of Library Science; Andrea Haugen, Assistant Professor of Psychology; Kristy Smith, Assistant Professor of Management. More hires of faculty and staff positions are in the works.

Please join me in welcoming these new members of our UAS academic community!



Chancellor Rick Caulfield