



# Mission Fulfillment – Core Objective 5

FISCAL YEAR 2024

## Core Objective 5: Maintain Relevance through Productive Relationships within Southeast Alaska

*Mission: The University of Alaska Southeast is a student-centered university that provides instruction in liberal arts, professional, and technical fields. On the homelands of the Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian peoples, we serve the coastal environments, cultures, economies, and communities of Alaska, through interdisciplinary education, workforce development, and scholarship, research, and creative activity.*

UAS provides programs and services that connect with local, state, national, and international entities on programs, events, services, and research that respond to the economic, environmental, social, and cultural needs and resources of Southeast Alaska. At the institutional level, people look to UAS as a driver for economic development and a venue for social and cultural activities. The advancement of Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian cultures and languages are increasingly reflected in UAS programs. UAS has formal partnerships with the Sealaska Heritage Institute, the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, and the Ketchikan Indian Community as part of its community engagement.

Sometimes, UAS formalizes these partnerships by entering into formal agreements with private outside organizations or governmental entities in respect to providing joint or cooperative services to members of the public or in controlling relationships between the parties. All [Memorandums of Understanding or Agreements](#) are posted on our website. A comprehensive list of [Advisory Councils and Committees](#) is also available to the public.

UAS students are encouraged to engage in research, creative activities, practicum, internships, and other experiential learning inside and outside the classroom. Many UAS programs incorporate experiential learning (“learning by doing,” often outside the traditional classroom) as a matter of course, getting students out into the surrounding environment of Southeast Alaska. Other students are paid to work as lab and field research assistants for UAS faculty or local agencies and organizations. In addition, students can obtain university funding to pursue research and creative project ideas.

Experiential Learning								
Fiscal Year	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal
Degree Seekers	2007	1843	1730	1647	1523			
Experiential Learners	317	289	264	266	267			
% Experiential Learning	16%	16%	15%	16%	18%			>20%

  

MOU/MOA's								
Fiscal Year	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal
MOU/MOA's	44	26	30	34				Maintain >30