

October 18, 2023

## Chancellor's Office

Chancellor Aparna Palmer

I've been keeping very busy in the time since our last update!



- September 19-21 I attended the annual meeting of Southeast Conference in Sitka. They held their auction which raised over \$60,000 for their UAS scholarship held at the UA Foundation.
- I joined other members of the UAS Chancellor's Circle at the appreciation event hosted by the UAS Office of Development & Alumni Relations and the Technical Education Center. All attendees got to learn more about our programs in Career & Technical Education and participated in a woodworking activity where each person made their own cutting board. It was great to be able to meet Chancellor's Circle-level donors who give at least \$1,000 to UAS funds each year.
- We hosted a retirement celebration for Michael Ciri and Jeri Cary. Michael's position is now posted, and in the meantime Jon Lasinski has stepped in as Interim Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services.
- I traveled to the Sitka campus October 9-10. I was able to participate in their activities for Indigenous Peoples' Day. It was wonderful to be able to interact with faculty and staff there in person. During my time in Sitka I also visited the Sitka Sound Science Center.
- Along with Megan Riebe and other community leaders, I attended the Northrim Bank Annual Community Summit. We heard an overview of the present Alaskan economy, and discussed strategies for economic success in our community.
- Friday and Saturday, October 13-14 were especially busy for me!
  - I attended the speaker sessions of the Juneau World Affairs Council annual forum which was held here on campus in the lecture hall. Their theme this year was "Immigration, Detention, and Power: Addressing Bias and Prejudice."
  - I also attended a very interesting Evening at Egan lecture on "Brain Health Across the Lifespan" featuring speakers Dr. Rosellen Rosich and our own Dr. Sarah Niecko, as well as Linda Kruger with AARP.

- Following the final JWAC lecture I headed down to Centennial Hall for the Juneau Chamber Annual Dinner. I was joined by Provost Maren Haavig, Dean Cory Ortiz, and Dean Carlee Simon. Their theme was “Under the Sea: A Celebration of Ocean Industries,” and as sponsor we were able to feature 10 slides in their rotating display, so we featured some great photos of three of our ocean economy programs -- Maritime, Marine Biology, and Mariculture.
- This Friday I am flying up to Anchorage to attend the annual conference of the Alaska Federation of Natives. I’m looking forward to meeting new people and also being able to spend time with our community partners.

I am so grateful for the work that all of you do here at UAS.

## **Development & Alumni Relations**

The search for a new Director of Development & Alumni Relations at UAS continues. We will keep everyone updated as soon as we find a replacement for our previous director.

## **Equity & Compliance**

Mitzi Bolaños Anderson, Director

Mitzi Bolaños Anderson began her role as Director of Equity & Compliance and Title IX Coordinator on September 26. She has been working remotely and arrives on campus October 23rd.

## **Emergency / Risk Management & Safety**

Ryan Sand, Director

Our new Health & Safety Officer, Rhys Mateo will be working with Facilities Services to install opioid overdose cabinets throughout campus buildings. They will be placed near existing AED and first aid cabinets with the goal of keeping all things “safety” in the same areas. In addition, Rhys will be providing Narcan/Naloxone training which can also be viewed on <https://narcan.com/opioid-education>. Contact Rhys for in-person scheduling and further details.

Our department will be involved in system-wide safety audits taking place in Fairbanks this month. Please excuse us if we are delayed in our communications.

## **Public Information Office**

Keni Campbell, Public Information Officer

**I am retiring on November 30.** I have noted below what opportunities UAS has, although I do not know who will be managing it after I leave.

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## Radio

I have served as a liaison for getting UAS folks on the radio, both KINY and KTOO here in Juneau. **Faculty and staff are free to contact the stations directly** to set up times on the following programs:

### KTOO's Juneau Afternoon

- airs from 3-4 pm weekdays
- UAS spot is on the monthly on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 3:45 pm.
- Contact: Bostin Christopher, [Bostin.christopher@ktoo.org](mailto:Bostin.christopher@ktoo.org) or cell 907-500-2899

### KINY Capital Chat

- airs from 8:35-9:00 am weekdays
- UAS spot is monthly on the last Thursday of the month.
- There are 2 segments, each 10 minutes.
- Contact: Jordan Lewis [news@abcstations.com](mailto:news@abcstations.com) or office 907-586-6397

### KINY Action Line

- airs from 10:30-11:00 am weekdays
- UAS spot is semi-quarterly - not a specific time.
- Chancellor Palmer is the main contact for deciding what goes on these. If you are interested, please contact her first.
- Contact: Jordan Lewis [news@abcstations.com](mailto:news@abcstations.com) or office 907-586-6397

## Press releases

Most recent press releases (linked):

- UAS Ketchikan Acquires Dedicated Vehicle for the Maritime Training Center
- Southeast Conference raises over \$60k in support of UAS scholarships
- U.S. Dept. of Education awards \$6.5million+ grant to establish National Native American Language Resource Center
- The Vicissitudes of Aging & Brain Health: What Parents May Never Have Told You!

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## Provost's Office

Dr. Maren Haavig, Provost

- Visited the Outer Coast College and Sitka campuses. While in Sitka, I was able to attend the community Indigenous People's Day celebration. Unfortunately, my flight was delayed out of Sitka and I missed visiting the Ketchikan campus. I hope to reschedule that visit soon!

## Research & Sponsored Programs

Dr. Maren Haavig, Dean of Research & Sponsored Programs

- UAS hosted the INBRE External Advisory Council on September 28. Thank you to all faculty and staff who participated in that event.
- Following the EAC sight visit, I attended the INBRE annual retreat from September 29 - October 1.

## Institutional Effectiveness

Kristen Handley, Director

Will you need data this term or in the spring? Starting November 13th I will be working part-time until Baby Handley makes his arrival (est. Dec 9th). I will then be on leave for 6 weeks, and working part-time for the Spring semester. If you have any data requests for this term or spring term, please let me know immediately so that I can plan accordingly with my limited hours.

- [New Student Success Dashboard](#): The IE Website has a new student success dashboard that provides a summary of our federal reporting retention and completion rates, along with the ability to filter student success data by different types of cohorts.
- Focus areas this month: Communicating the Strategic Enrollment Plan targets to different groups on campus, developing a peer data report (still in progress), working with Gardner, IPEDS Fall reporting, and getting all annual reports and projects completed before I go on leave..

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## School of Career & Technical Education

Dr. Cory Ortiz, Dean

Attended the Alaska Association of Career and Technical Education annual meeting in Anchorage and a tour of the Bristol Bay Region Career and Technical Education programs with many CTE leaders across the Southeast.

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## School of Education

Dr. Carlee Simon, Interim Dean

The Alaska College of Education Consortium (ACEC) had their annual face to face summit in Fairbanks this month. UAA, UAF, and UAS Schools of Education met to engage in specific programming changes and enhancements to adapt to the growing need in our PK-12 educator workforce. (*Collaboration*)

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# School of Arts & Sciences

Carin Silkaitis, Dean

- Our A&S Associate Dean searches resume this week. Please come to these events, it's so important to have community feedback on our candidates.
- While A&S welcomed our new advisors via email already, it is SO wonderful to have one of our new advisors in-person on campus! Welcome Dallas! Su will be here in-person at the end of the month as well! A&S is thrilled to have a full advisor team once again.
- Carin is so happy to be composing these notes from Ketchikan and Sitka, where they are doing their "Coffee Chat with the Dean" talks, meeting with faculty, and making some fun campus videos!
- Carin did their Juneau "Coffee Chat with the Dean" event last Friday and they were ecstatic to report that the room was full of faculty and staff. It was so wonderful to see so many faces in the room and have some cookies and conversation.
- Carin Silkaitis was thrilled to present at the International Conference on Strategic Innovative Marketing and Tourism in Zakynthos, Greece at the end of September. (<https://icsimat.com/>). They presented on the current Regenerative Tourism conversations happening in Alaska, as well as our current certificate plans in Arts & Sciences.
- Carin also submitted a paper for publication to the above conference with two co-authors.
- Carin will be presenting at the CCAS (Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences) Conference in San Diego at the end of October/beginning of November. Michele Thornton and I will be conducting a 3-hour pre-conference session on Strategic Planning.

## Natural Sciences

- *No updates at this time*

## Business & Public Administration

- Kristy Smith and Colleen McKenna represented UAS at the AK State Chamber Fall Forum learning more about how businesses in Alaska are addressing the economic concerns and labor shortages. (*Collaboration*)
- Colleen McKenna, Paulette Schirmer, and Kristy Smith represented UAS at the ACBSP Region 7 Fall Conference in Irvine, California October 11-13. (*Excellence*)
- The Student SHRM Chapter will meet on October 25 to identify opportunities to connect with professionals and solidify the officer core for the next year. (*Excellence, Access, Collaboration*)
- Norwegian Cruise Lines invited BPA to a table at the Juneau Chamber Gala. Three students / graduates and their guest will attend the event along with Carin Silkaitis, Dean A&S and BPA Advisor Shayla Sulser. (*Collaboration*)

## Social Sciences

- *No updates at this time*

## Humanities

- Emily Wall has a poem in the anthology *Cascadia Field Guide: Art, Ecology, Poetry*. This book just became a *Finalist in the "Fiction and Poetry" category for the Banff Mountain Film and Book Festival* and has spent 24 weeks on the *Pacific Northwest Bookseller's Association* bestseller list since March 1, 2023. (*Excellence*)
- Jay Szczepanski had a paper accepted as part of a panel at the Conference on College Composition and Communication, to be held in Spokane this April. The panel is entitled "Expanding Shared Responsibility: Access, Equity, and Agency in Placement in First Year Writing in the University of Alaska System." (*Excellence, Diversity, Access, Stewardship*)
- Jay Szczepanski had a workshop and panel proposal accepted by the National Organization for Student Success, to be held in Las Vegas this February. The panel is entitled "You Can Get There from Here: Innovations in Co-requisite Models in Developmental and Gateway Composition." (*Excellence, Access, Stewardship*)
- X'únei Lance Twitchell was selected as a Fellow in Language work for The Constellations Culture Change Fund & Initiative. He also is presenting this month at the North Star: Conversations on Boundlessness at the Lincoln Center in New York City, and at a language symposium called Digital Engagement with Endangered Languages and their Communities at the University at Buffalo. X'únei also was instrumental in creating a book that has been published by Goldbelt Heritage Foundation and Central Council of Tlingit & Haida and is entirely in Lingít. A book release party will be held on October 27, 2023 at 5 PM at the Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall in Juneau. (*Excellence, Collaboration, Diversity, Access, Sustainability, Stewardship*)
- Judy Daxootsu Ramos spoke on a Panel on Arctic, and the North Session at the Vancouver Seventh Global Environment Facility in Vancouver in August. She co-wrote a paper, Yaakwdáat Kwáan has at shí, with Dr. Maria Williams and Dr. Steve Langdon for Visualising Arctic Voices Book to be published by Cambridge University Press. (*Excellence, Collaboration, Diversity, Sustainability*)

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## Ketchikan Campus

Dr. Priscilla Schulte, Campus Director

- The Ketchikan Campus Advisory Council met on Thursday, October 12 with a focus on the discussion of our Maritime programs with Chris Boss. (*Collaboration, Access, Diversity, Excellence*)

- Jessica Driscoll met with counselors at the Ketchikan Gateway Borough High Schools and represented UAS at the College Fair on October 4th. (Collaboration, Access, Diversity, Excellence)
  - Priscilla Schulte attended the annual Southeast Conference in Sitka, Alaska. (Collaboration, Access)
  - The Faculty Professional Development series chaired by Charmaine Lewis started this year with presentations by Colleen Ianuzzi, Xiaofei Song, and Chris Boss. (Collaboration, Access, Diversity, Excellence)
  - The Indigenous Peoples Day celebration was well attended by community members as well as Ketchikan Campus faculty and staff. The Ketchikan Indian Community's Tribal Scholars prepared posters for display in the library. There were also tables with presentations by Alaska Native artists, cultural teachers, and tribal leaders. (Collaboration, Access, Diversity, Stewardship, Excellence)
  - The Maritime Training Center had visits from representatives from the Alaska Marine Highway and the Seafarers International Union. (Collaboration, Access, Diversity, Excellence)
  - The Tongass School of Arts and Sciences brought students to the Maritime Training Center for a tour. (Collaboration, Access, Diversity, Excellence)
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## Sitka Campus

Dr. Paul Kraft, Campus Director

- Paul Kraft attended the annual Southeast Conference that was held in Sitka this year. (Collaboration, Sustainability)
  - The Indigenous People's Day celebration was once again, a huge success with estimates of 300 attendees hearing speakers addressing the theme, "Healing Across all Generations". (Collaboration, Access, Diversity)
  - The campus hosted its first community education course in several years with a packed session on Basic Auto Maintenance. The community education planning committee is anticipating at least 4 more courses this academic year covering many topics. (Collaboration, Access, Diversity)
  - Student Government is off to a great start with many leaders stepping into leadership roles and multiple activities planned. (Collaboration, Access, Sustainability)
  - The campus hosted a visit from Provost Haavig and Chancellor Palmer for a day of collaborative planning and communication. (Collaboration)
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## Egan Library

Elise Tomlinson, Dean

- The Egan Library welcomes Jacky Bennum to the team as the new Administrative Specialist. Jacky is a proud Alaskan Native first generation college graduate originally from Kake, AK. Her Lingit name is Saw.aat and she comes from the eagle moiety and Wooshkeetaan clan. When she isn't juggling work and homelife, she spends her time beading, drawing, painting

and enjoying nature with family

- [One Campus One Book](#), upcoming event: Halloween Ice-Skating with ORCA at Treadwell Arena Oct 20th. ORCA will be providing transportation to the Treadwell Ice Arena for Halloween Ice Skating. We will be at the Egan Library at 6:20 pm and will return to campus around 9 pm. This event will be no to low cost!\* This event is free for students who are both people who identify as having a disability and are 21 years old and younger.
- [One Campus One Book](#), upcoming event: Documenting Disability Experiences: Oct 26 & Nov 16, 6-8 PM | UAS Egan Library Room 211 & Zoom. Come learn about the Disability Visibility Project and how to conduct and record an interview to reflect on your past, present and future through a conversation centered on the disability experience. Participants have the option of submitting their stories to the growing archive of disability culture and history. Attend one or both workshops. Open to anyone who self-identifies as living with a disability and (their) allies.

### Writing Center

- The Writing Center is now providing tutors twice a week for the NRSC (Jessy on Thursdays from 2-4pm and Don on Weds from 4-5).

### CELT

- The CELT team has had really good engagement so far in their two Professional Learning Communities. Decolonizing Our Spaces continues to grow in size, and the *Stop Talking* book group has a small but engaged core group this fall. Kaia had decent attendance at her recent accessibility sessions, with more engagement in the online than in-person section. Feedback from attendees was very positive. Ramona also had good attendance and feedback in her alternative grading session, and her discussion on generative AI. Her tech tips session was not as well attended but the .
- Upcoming sessions: CELT will be promoting a Disability Services workshop on website accessibility (Oct 26). Staff in IT, administration, procurement, or those who deal with website resources are particularly encouraged to attend. Traci will give a presentation on Google Drive on Oct 25, and we are hosting Blackboard presentations about Ultra (the new Blackboard interface that faculty have the option of using) on Oct 23-25, as well as on Oct 31.

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## Alaska Native Programs / PITAAS

Ronalda Cadiente Brown, Associate Vice Chancellor

The PITAAS Program continues to monitor its Fall roster and anticipates two additional graduates by the end of this term. (*Sustainability, Diversity*)



The PITAAS Program is in process of developing a new promotional video highlighting graduates employed with the Kake School District. Thank you Creative Agency & Carlee Simon for this video production opportunity. *(Collaboration)*

October 19 is the kick-off for the annual Alaska Federation of Natives convention. I will travel to Anchorage to attend the Education Panel session on that day to represent UAS ANSI at the request of President Pitney. ANSI leads assisted in developing the ANSI Report to AFN. The report will be released during the week of October 16 *(Stewardship, Access, Diversity, Sustainability)*

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## **Administrative Services**

Jon Lasinski, Interim Vice Chancellor

- FY25 Operating and Capital Request Budget ongoing
- Folks reporting under the Vice Chancellors should have received two new security training modules within Page Up to be completed by 10/31
- It's Cybersecurity Awareness Month. Be extra diligent!

## **IT Updates Courtesy of Cody Bennett:**

- Discussions are underway for getting MFA in place for students for increased security and compliance -- currently anticipated to be established by June '24. All UA students can opt-in to MFA right now through ELMO.
- System Office is working on a "Software Catalog" to get a better picture of current software used throughout UA, it will provide better transparency to current software products, and may open up opportunities for use of software with enterprise-wide licensing.
- We have a project underway to bring internet connectivity to the Noyes Pavilion which will expand possibilities for use in that space.
- Security initiatives are getting a fair amount of attention; we will be working to further protect our systems by enforcing MFA for both VPN and VDI usage (from off campus).
- Traci will be providing google workplace training through the CELT programming (staff are welcome to attend as well). Wednesday Oct 25th; Noon to 1pm via Zoom (click to register).
- Anthology (the company behind Blackboard) will be visiting Juneau, Sitka, & Ketchikan next week. There will be sessions available for faculty to get familiarized with the differences between "Original" and "Ultra" course views as more and more faculty migrate to the newer experience.

## **Grants, Contracts & Budget**

Julie Vigil, Director

- *No updates.*

## Business Services

Jon Lasinski, Director

- Still recruiting for an Associate Bursar and an Accounts Payable Travel Auditor Lead. Please share with your networks.
- Concur received a new user interface facelift.
- Auditing courses and books for Spring 2024

## Human Resources

Louisa Cryan, UA Senior Business Partner for UAS

*We are excited to share the following two new resources for job postings:*

- [Job Posting Guide](#) - *This resource offers guidance on the new job posting style and process so HRC's feel better equipped in providing support to their hiring departments.*
- [Writing a Compelling Job Posting](#) - *This guide is intended to aid hiring authorities in creating inclusive, unbiased job postings that help them hire the right person faster.*

Talent Acquisition will also be hosting Job Posting Labs throughout October, November, and December. A complete list of dates and times of the Job Posting Labs are available [here](#) and are also posted on the [UA HR Training Calendar](#).  
(Collaboration, Sustainability, Stewardship, Access, Diversity, Sustainability)

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## Enrollment Management & Student Affairs

Lori Klein, Vice Chancellor

## Financial Aid

Janelle Cook, Financial Aid Director

- The UA/UAS Scholarship Application is now open for the 2023-2024 school year (*access, collaboration, stewardship*)
- Have a representative attending the FAFSA Summit (*access, collaboration, stewardship*)
- Collaborated with ACPE with a Financial Aid Night for the local Juneau schools (*access, collaboration, stewardship*)

## Registrar's Office

Trisha Lee, Registrar

- Spring 2024 Course Schedule is viewable on Monday, October 30th.
- Spring 2024 registration for UAS programs students starts Monday, November 6th and registration for all students is Monday, November 13th.

- Summer 2024 and Fall 2024 course schedules are currently being worked on by the academic departments.
- The 2024-2025 Academic Calendar is being finalized and should be published by the end of the month.
- UA is moving forward with upgrading our Banner Self-Service platform, branded as UAOnline, from v8 to v9. Loren Bettridge and I are serving on this project team for UAS.

## Creative Agency

Alison Krein, Creative Manager

- Launched in-state digital campaign and landing page with Sealaska Heritage Institute to promote AA NWC Art. *(Collaboration, Diversity)*
- Launched 2023 Spring/Fall Apply Campaign ad placements. *(Collaboration)*
- Designed wrap for shuttles. *(Collaboration, Access, Sustainability)*
- Hired new web developer, Zach Reitmeier. *(Collaboration)*
- Check out our new social media series: Adventures with Aparna! *(Collaboration, Stewardship, Access, Diversity, Sustainability)*

## Students and Campus Life

### Residence Life, Housing, and Dining

Sean McCarthy, Director of Residence Life

Residence Life is working on a variety of programs this month!

- Pugh Party - October 13th: geared towards our first-year students, but open to all! This event will have a consistent theme of alcohol education through mocktail BAC readings, a water pong tournament that tests your knowledge on safe alcohol consumption more than your hand-eye coordination, and a mario kart time trial with a simulated .25-.35 BAC. *(Access)*
- Safe Trick or Treat - October 27th: This event gives our residents the opportunity to give back to the Juneau community in a fun and easy way. They decorate their apartment, dress up, and pass out candy to local trick or treaters ages 0-17. Last year we had more than 70 student participants and over 400 participants from the community. *(Access, Stewardship, Collaboration)*
- Duck Hunt - Ongoing and happening now!: Students are searching campus for rubber duckies that can be turned in for some awesome prizes. These ducks are hidden across campus and sometimes require the student to interact with a staff member to acquire one! Each duck is also equipped with useful facts about the different Student Services available on campus. *(Access, collaboration)*

### Native & Rural Student Center

Kolene James, Student Equity and Multicultural Services Manager

- *Indigenous Peoples' Day, 12pm -4pm in the NRSC, we featured blueberry smoothies and vitamin D and shared a [pre-recorded zoom](#) (Passcode: 1COWVm#L)*

*discussion around the brilliance of our people and our connection to harvesting traditional foods. Here is the information incase folks wanted to watch - (Collaboration, Sustainability, Stewardship, Access, Diversity, Sustainability)*

- *We're offering peer and faculty tutoring in the NRSC, if you know of a student who might benefit from a one to one tutor session, in quieter space, please reach out to Kolene at [kejames@alaska.edu](mailto:kejames@alaska.edu) for more information. (Collaboration, Stewardship, Access, Diversity)*
- *AAPL, Wooch.Een, have their club meeting times, and upcoming events posted on UAS Connect (Collaboration, Access, Diversity)*

*Please save the dates:*

- *AAPL Club event Tinikling - Oct 18, 2023 1-3 pm, place tbd (Collaboration, Access, Diversity)*
- *AAPL Open Mic Afternoon - Oct 25, 2023 1-3 pm, place tbd (Collaboration, Access, Diversity)*
- *11/15, Wednesday, 12pm - 2pm for our 3rd Annual Community Feast in the Lakeside cafeteria, we'll have a dance group performance, food, and dialogue (Collaboration, Access, Diversity)*
- *11/17, Friday, 3pm - 5pm UAS Holiday Bazaar in the Lakeside cafeteria, if you'd like a table to sale your craft/baked goods/or food, please contact Wooch.een Student Leaders Almeria Alcantra or Corinne James (more information to come)(Collaboration, Access, Diversity)*

## **Student Engagement & Leadership**

- *The search for a new Student Engagement and Leadership Manager is ongoing. (Stewardship, Access)*
- *Welcome two Josh Ellin and Stephanie Villagomez, two new members of the SGUAS-JC Student Senate! (Diversity, Access, Collaboration)*

## **Disability Services, Health Clinic & Counseling**

Carrie Kline, Lead Counselor

### **Disability Services**

- *Jenny Malecha has accepted a new position at Bartlett Regional Hospital, her last day is October 27th. Campus Life will announce a process for refilling this important position soon. Devin Tatro, UAS's Case Manager, will serve as support for Disability Services during the transition. (Sustainability, Collaboration, Stewardship).*

### **Counseling**

- *Skill building workshops and counseling groups are meeting regularly. The Essential Skills Series workshop focuses on building skills for navigating challenges in college. The Art Therapy Group is a counseling group that explores the healing power of creativity. Campus Groups and [The UAS Counseling website](#) has been updated with this information. (Collaboration, Sustainability, Stewardship, Access, Diversity, Sustainability)*

- [Drop-in Counseling](#) is available on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 5 pm and Fridays from 10 am to 4 pm. Students can [sign up for a time](#), call or stop into the SRC for scheduling. (Collaboration, Sustainability, Stewardship, Access, Diversity, Sustainability)

## Health Clinic

- No new updates at this time.

## Recreation Center

Dave Klein, Associate Director of Campus Recreation

- Campus Recreation and the Native and Rural Center are testing a new platform for our November walking challenge. This year's challenge will run from November to January and is managed by an application that runs on most/all devices. Email will be sent when sign-ups begin, seats will be limited to 200 participants in Juneau, Ketchikan, and Sitka. (Collaboration, Access, Diversity)
- Campus recreation is out to bid for the replacement of our climbing wall flooring. The new flooring will provide additional protection, bringing us up to what's standard for the industry. Anticipated site visit is for December with an installation date of June, 2024. (Collaboration, Stewardship, Access, Sustainability)
- REC visitation to date for Fall 2023 is 2,118 visits by members with guest sign-ins at 80. (Stewardship, Access, Diversity, Sustainability)

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## Facilities Services

Nathan Leigh, Director

Please check out our latest edition of the Facilities Services newsletter "[The Level](#)" (excellence, collaboration, sustainability, and stewardship)

We are still looking for people to work on our grounds crew. They can be part-time, temporary, students, full time etc.. If you know of anyone who may be interested send them to [careers.alaska.edu](https://careers.alaska.edu).

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

Dr. Math Trafton and Courtney MacArthur, co-Chairs

Published the [AY23 Annual Report](#) (excellence, diversity, access, collaboration)

- The DEICS committee met on Friday 9/29. The chancellor attended the first half of the meeting.
  - In collaboration with the chancellor, the committee finalized its revised charge and the core values it seeks to promote at UAS. This charge (and its values) will be posted on the DEICS website.
  - The committee also finalized its AY24 priorities to focus on, in ranked order. These priorities will also be posted on the website.
  - The next meeting is Friday 10/27, where we will begin work on our first major priority, which involves revising the UAS website to foreground DEICS matters.
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## **Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Alaska Native Education (CACANE)**

Éedaa Heather Burge and Janelle Cook, co-Chairs

- Met with Chancellor Palmer (9/27) to go over priorities and next steps (collaboration, diversity)
  - Had our first committee meeting of the semester (10/6), and scheduled next month's meeting (11/3) (excellence, diversity, access, collaboration)
  - Will be updating the website with our member's and revised priorities (access, collaboration)
  - In the initial stages of developing a decolonization speaker series (excellence, diversity, access, collaboration)
-