

Rural Development

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B.A. Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 120 credits

Rural development degree programs are designed to educate a new generation of community leaders for rural Alaska. The B.A. degree can be earned either on the Fairbanks campus or through distance delivery.

Students in the rural development program gain a broad understanding of Alaska's relationship to the global economy and an appreciation for sustainable development strategies. Students also learn specific tools essential for community leadership, including business plan and grant proposal writing, community visioning and planning processes, computer business applications, and project management and evaluation techniques. Graduates typically take positions with tribal and municipal governments, fisheries, tourism and other private businesses, Native corporations, regional health corporations or non-profits, and state/federal agencies.

Undergraduate degree students develop a concentration in one of five areas: community business and economic development; community research and indigenous knowledge; land, resources and environmental management; rural health and human services management; or tribal and local government administration.

Special application requirements and deadlines apply for distance B.A. degree programs. For more information contact the department toll-free at 1-800-770-9531 or visit our website.

Major — B.A. Degree

Concentrations: Community Business and Economic Development; Community Research and Indigenous Knowledge; Land, Resources and Environmental Management; Rural Health and Human Services Management; Tribal and Local Government Administration

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 124).
2. Complete the B.A. degree requirements (page 128).
3. Complete the following:*
 - RD F300W—Rural Development in a Global Perspective3
 - RD F325—Community Development Strategies.....3
 - RD F350—Indigenous Knowledge and Community Research.....3
 - RD F351—Strategic Planning for Rural Communities.....3
 - RD F352—Rural Business Planning and Proposal Development.....3
 - RD F400—Rural Development Internship3
 - RD F450—Managing Rural Projects and Programs.....3
 - RD F451—Human Resources Management for Indigenous Communities3
 - RD F475W—Rural Development Senior Project.....3

4. Complete the following elective courses:*
 - RD elective.....3
 - RD, ANS or ED electives.....3

5. Complete one of the following concentrations:**

Community Business and Economic Development

Complete 21 credits from the following:

- ABUS F151—Village Based Entrepreneurship.....2
 - ABUS F179—Fundamentals of Supervision.....3
 - ABUS F211—Tax for Business Entities.....2
 - ABUS F232—Contemporary Management Issues***3
 - ABUS F233—Financial Management3
 - ABUS F241—Applied Business Law I.....3
 - ABUS F272—Small Business Planning3
 - ABUS F273—Managing a Small Business.....3
 - ANS F261—Accounting Concepts and Uses I.....3
 - ANS F262—Accounting Concepts and Uses II3
 - ANS F310—The Alaska Native Lands Settlement.....3
 - ANS/PS F425—Federal Indian Law and Alaska Natives3
 - BA F151—Introduction to Business***3
 - CIOS F111—Computer Software for Beginners.....2
 - CS F101—Computers and Society3
 - ECON F111—Economics of Rural Alaska3
 - ECON F200—Principles of Economics.....4
 - ENGL F212—Business, Grant and Report Writing3
 - ENGL F314W,O/2—Technical Writing3
 - SOC F407O—Work and Occupations.....3
 - Approved electives** 6 or more
- Note: Designed for students interested in creating sustainable economic development for rural and indigenous communities, with a focus on small business development. Students learn to develop business and marketing plans, economic development planning and basic principles of financial and human resources management for rural enterprises. Graduates find employment in ANCSA corporations, regional development organizations, economic development agencies and as local entrepreneurs.*

Community Research and Indigenous Knowledge

Complete 21 credits from the following:

- ANL F315—Alaska Native Languages: Eskimo-Aleut.....3
- ANL F316—Alaska Native Languages: Indian Languages3
- ANS/ANTH F320W—Language and Culture: Applications to Alaska.....3
- ANS F350W,O—Cross Cultural Communication: Alaskan Perspectives3
- ANS F351—Practicum in Native Cultural Expression..... 1 – 3
- ANS F401—Cultural Knowledge of Native Elders***3
- ANTH F230—The Oral Tradition: Folklore and Oral History ..3
- APAR F100—Basic Video Workshop.....1
- APAR F103—Editing Videotape1
- CIOS F111—Computer Software for Beginners.....2
- COMM F330—Intercultural Communication.....3
- CS F101—Computers and Society3
- ENGL F313W—Writing Non-Fiction Prose3
- ENGL F314W,O/2—Technical Writing3
- ENGL/ANS F349—Narrative Art of Alaska Native Peoples (in English Translation).....3
- HIST F250—Alaska History for Local Historians.....3
- HIST F470W—Seminar in Alaskan History3
- JRN F215—Radio Production3
- JRN F311W—Magazine Article Writing.....3
- JRN F404—Photojournalism I3
- JRN F452W—Radio and Television News Writing3
- LS F309—Information Resources.....1



RD F425—Cultural Impact Analysis***3
 SOC F250—Introductory Statistics for Behavioral Sciences3
 SOC/PSY F480W—Qualitative Social Science Research.....3
 Approved electives** 3 or more
Note: Designed for students with interests in researching Alaska Native communities, cultures, languages, ceremonial performances and histories. Students learn principles of ethical research, explore issues of intellectual and cultural property rights, and acquire skills in doing ethnographies, oral histories, community surveys and needs assessments, and archival research. Graduates find employment with museums, ANCSA corporations, tribal governments, and federal and state agencies.

Land Resources and Environmental Management

Complete 21 credits from the following:
 ABUS F223—Real Estate Law3
 ANS F310—The Alaska Native Lands Settlement3
 ANS/PS F425—Federal Indian Law and Alaska Natives3
 BIOL F104—Natural History of Alaska3
 BIOL F150—Introduction to Marine Biology3
 BIOL F271—Principles of Ecology4
 BIOL/NRM F277—Introduction to Conservation Biology3
 CIOS F111—Computer Software for Beginners2
 CE F112—Elementary Surveying3
 CS F101—Computers and Society3
 ECON F235—Introduction to Natural Resource Economics...3
 ENGL F314W,O/2—Technical Writing3
 FISH F101—Introduction to Fisheries3
 FISH F401W,O/2—Fisheries Management.....3
 GEOG/NRM F338—Introduction to Geographic Information Systems3
 GEOS F101X—The Dynamic Earth4
 MIN F101—Minerals, Man and the Environment3
 MSL F111X—The Oceans4
 NRM F101—Natural Resources Conservation and Policy*** ..3
 NRM F204—Public Lands Law and Policy3
 NRM F340—Natural Resources Measurement and Inventory ..3
 NRM F404—Environmental Impact Statement Law3
 NRM F430/F630—Resource Management Planning.....3
 RD F255—Rural Alaska Land Issues***3
 RD F256—Co-Management of Renewable Resources3
 RD F265—Perspectives on Subsistence in Alaska.....3
 RD F280—Resource Management Research Techniques.....3
 WLF F201—Wildlife Management Principles.....3
 WLF F303W—Wildlife Management Techniques.....3
 Approved electives** 3 or more
Note: Designed for students with an interest in land and resources co-management, development and conservation. Students learn about traditional ecological knowledge, principles of natural resources management and policy, adaptive management, and skills for effective public/private/tribal collaboration in resource management. Graduates find employment with ANCSA corporations, regional and tribal entities, state and federal agencies, and private businesses.

Rural Health and Human Services Management

Complete 21 credits from the following:
 ABUS F154—Human Relations3
 ABUS F179—Fundamentals of Supervision3
 ABUS F231—Introduction to Personnel3
 ANS/PS F425—Federal Indian Law and Alaska Natives3
 ENGL F314W,O/2—Technical Writing3
 HUMS F120—Cultural Diversity in Human Service3
 HUMS/JUST F125—Introduction to Addictive Processes3
 HUMS F205—Basic Principles of Group Counseling3
 HUMS F210—Crisis and Grief Counseling.....3
 HUMS F215—Individual Interviewing.....3
 HUMS F250—Current Issues in Human Service.....3
 HUMS F301—Ethics in Human Service3
 HUMS F305—Substance Abuse Counseling3
 JUST F340—Rural Justice in Alaska.....3
 PS/ANS F325—Native Self-Government3
 PSY F240—Lifespan Developmental Psychology3
 PSY F445W—Community Psychology.....3
 RHS F110—Cross-Cultural Bridging Skills2
 RHS F120—Family Systems I.....2
 RHS F130—Processes of Community Change2
 RHS F140—Alaska Native Values and Principles.....2
 RHS F150—Introduction to Rural Counseling2
 RHS F220—Family Systems II.....2
 RHS F260—Addictions: Intervention and Treatment.....2
 RHS F265—Interpersonal Violence.....2
 RHS F270—Networking, Negotiating and Conflict Resolution2
 RHS F285—Case Management.....2
 RHS F290—Grief and Healing.....2
 SOC F242—The Family: A Cross-Cultural Perspective3
 SOC F301—Rural Sociology.....3
 PSY F370—Drugs and Drug Dependence3
 SWK F103—Introduction to Social Work3
 SWK F320W—Rural Social Work3
 Approved electives** 6 or more
Note: Designed for students interested in leadership for healthy communities, management of rural health programs and issues of community healing and wellness. Students learn principles and practices of community wellness, skills in financial and human resources management, and contemporary issues of importance in leading toward healthy communities. Graduates find employment with rural health corporations, tribal and municipal governments, educational institutions, and state and federal agencies.

Tribal and Local Government Administration

Complete 21 credits from the following:
 ABUS F154—Human Relations3
 ABUS F179—Fundamentals of Supervision3
 ABUS F232—Contemporary Management Issues3
 ACCT F261—Accounting Concepts and Uses I.....3
 ACCT F262—Accounting Concepts and Uses II3
 ACCT F414—Governmental and Nonprofit Accounting.....3
 ANS F310—The Alaska Native Lands Settlement3
 ANS F350W,O—Cross-Cultural Communication: Alaskan Perspectives3



ANS/PS F425—Federal Indian Law and Alaska Natives***	3
ANS/PS F450—Comparative Aboriginal Rights and Policies	3
BA F330—The Legal Environment of Business	4
CIOF F111—Computer Software for Beginners	2
COMM F330—Intercultural Communication	3
COMM F335O—Organizational Communication	3
CS F101—Computers and Society	3
ECON F351—Public Finance	3
ENGL F212—Business, Grant, and Report Writing	3
ENGL F314W,O/2—Technical Writing	3
JUST F340—Rural Justice in Alaska	3
NRM F204—Public Lands Law and Policy	3
NRM F430/F630—Resource Management Planning	3
PS F101—Introduction to American Government and Politics	3
PS F212—Introduction to Public Administration	3
PS F263—Alaska Native Politics***	3
PS/ANS F325—Native Self-Government	3
PS F403W—Public Policy	3
PS F462/NORS F662—Alaska Government and Politics	3
SOC/PSY F250—Introductory Statistics for Behavioral Sciences	3

SOC F407O—Work and Occupations	3
Approved electives**	3 or more
<i>Note: Designed for students interested in development and operations of tribal and municipal governments in rural Alaska. Students develop an understanding of the history and constitutional basis for tribal governance, basics of federal Indian law, and principles and practices of self-determination. They develop skills in planning, budgeting, and human resources management. Graduates find employment with tribal and municipal governments and organizations, ANCSA corporations, and state and federal agencies.</i>	

6. Minimum credits required 120
- * Student must earn a C grade or better in each course.
- ** Elective credits may also fulfill the humanities, social science or mathematics general requirements for the B.A. degree. Prerequisites are required for many of these courses; however, prerequisites do not apply to the credit requirement.
- *** Recommended courses. Course substitutions may be made with approval of the faculty advisor.

Minor

- Complete the following:
RD F300—Rural Development in a Global Perspective 3
RD electives at the F200-level or above 15
- Minimum credits required 18

Baccalaureate Core Requirements

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses. Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

COMMUNICATION (9)

Complete the following:

ENGL F111X (3) _____
ENGL F190H may be substituted.

Complete one of the following:

ENGL F211X OR ENGL F213X (3) _____

Complete one of the following:

COMM F131X OR COMM F141X (3) _____

PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)

Complete all of the following four courses:

ANTH F100X/SOC F100X (3) _____
ECON F100X OR PS F100X (3) _____
HIST F100X (3) _____
ENGL/FL F200X (3) _____

Complete one of the following three courses:

ART/MUS/THR F200X, HUM F201X OR ANS F202X (3) _____

Complete one of the following six courses:

BA F323X, COMM F300X, JUST F300X, NRM F303X, PS F300X OR PHIL F322X (3) _____

OR complete 12 credits from the above courses PLUS

- two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other non-English language OR
- three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language taken at the university level.

MATHEMATICS (3)

Complete one of the following:

MATH F103X, MATH F107X, MATH F161X OR
STAT F200X (3 – 4) _____
** No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH F107X or F161X.*

OR complete one of the following*:

MATH F200X, MATH F201X, MATH F202X,
MATH F262X OR MATH F272X (4) _____
**Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite.*

NATURAL SCIENCES (8)

Complete any two (4-credit) courses:

ATM F101X	..... (4)	_____
BIOL F100X	..... (4)	_____
BIOL F103X	..... (4)	_____
BIOL F104X	..... (4)	_____
BIOL F111X	..... (4)	_____
BIOL F112X	..... (4)	_____
BIOL F115X	..... (4)	_____
BIOL F116X	..... (4)	_____
CHEM F100X	..... (4)	_____
CHEM F103X	..... (4)	_____
CHEM F104X	..... (4)	_____
CHEM F105X	..... (4)	_____
CHEM F106X	..... (4)	_____
GEOG F205X	..... (4)	_____
GEOS F100X	..... (4)	_____
GEOS F101X	..... (4)	_____
GEOS F112X	..... (4)	_____
GEOS F120X	..... (4)	_____
GEOS F125X	..... (4)	_____
MSL F111X	..... (4)	_____
PHYS F102X	..... (4)	_____
PHYS F103X	..... (4)	_____
PHYS F104X	..... (4)	_____
PHYS F115X	..... (4)	_____
PHYS F116X	..... (4)	_____
PHYS F175X	..... (4)	_____
PHYS F211X	..... (4)	_____
PHYS F212X	..... (4)	_____
PHYS F213X	..... (4)	_____

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION RESEARCH (0 – 1)

Successful completion of library skills competency test OR
LS F100X or F101X prior to junior standing (0 – 1) _____

UPPER-DIVISION WRITING AND ORAL COMMUNICATION (0)

Complete the following:

Two writing intensive courses designated (W) (0) _____
One oral communication intensive course designated (O) (0) _____
OR two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2), at the upper-division level (see degree and/or major requirements) (0) _____

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED 38 – 39

