

Baccalaureate First-Year Seminars to Launch in Fall 2010

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RESEARCH NEWS

April 2010



**CLA's 3-year
Proposal Effort
compared to
other units:**

<http://www.uaf.edu/osp/stats/byunit.html>

CLA's FY 10 Statistics to*4/5/2010

Effort

New Proposals submitted n = 40

New dollars sought= \$5,641,095

New ICR sought= \$1,210,727

Success

New awards received n= 22

New dollars awarded = \$1,176,901

New Indirect cost recovery= \$185,628

CLA Collaborative Efforts

(CLA faculty as Co-I):

Total number of projects proposed = 7

GI (1) AFES (1)

IARC (1) SFOS (1)

INE (0) UAA (2)

CNSM (0) UA-Statewide (1)

Total \$ effort to UAF = \$5,158,575

CLA Restricted funds activity by funding source as of 2/28/10:

State of Alaska (n=8) \$138,289

Federal (n=39) \$1,365,279

City/Borough (n=0) \$0

Corporations (n=2) \$128,439

UA Foundation (n=12) \$208,174

Other foundation (n=2) \$14,526

Ak Native orgs (n=1) \$42,389

Other/private (n=3) \$100,952

Other Non Profit (n=3) \$22,670

Other university (n=1) \$8,151

Total active grants & contracts = 71

Total Actual Revenue = \$2,028,869

Kudos to all faculty willing to take important steps toward improving student persistence and college grade performance such as those who submitted proposals for the inauguration of UAF's first-year seminars (FYE:F100). A first-year freshman seminar is one of the specific recommendations of the Boyer Commission's report mentioned here last month:

http://www.eric.ed.gov/ERICDocs/data/ericdocs2sql/content_storage_01/0000019b/80/29/bf/86.pdf

"The focal point of the first year should be a small seminar taught by experienced faculty... deal with topics that will stimulate and open intellectual horizons... allow learning by inquiry... it should enable a professor to imbue new students with a sense of the excitement of discovery... inherent in the university experience" (pg. 20). In short, a disciplinary introduction to research.

The first-year seminar will do that, and much more. Early student engagement in research, scholarship and other creative activities was the initial critical success factor identified in the MacTaggart Report to better advantage UAF by leveraging cutting edge research, to become Alaska's student-focused research university. "Substantive student engagement in research..." was specific ally stated in <http://www.uaf.edu/chancellor/communications/AlaskaReport0809.pdf>

Perhaps you attended former Provost Reichardt's recent discussion based on Kennedy, D. (1997) *Academic Duty*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard Press to learn "responsibility to students is at the very core of the university's mission and of the faculty's academic duty... in which research and scholarship are more tightly interwoven with our responsibilities for educating young men and women" (p.59).

A student-focused research university can have both superb research and superb teaching. The new baccalaureate first-year seminars are one way to showcase both. ---- Anita Hartmann, Associate Dean

Funding Opportunities – Internal UA

<http://www.uaf.edu/osp/funding/internal.html>

Alaska Center for Climate Assessment & Policy..... Due April 20th

Summer 2010 support (see RFP) or email Dan at dmwhite@alaska.edu

Funding Opportunities – External

National Endowment for the Arts

<http://www.nea.gov/grants/> (numerous... check the website!)

National Endowment for the Humanities

<http://www.neh.gov> (numerous...Check the website!)

NEH Fellowship Grants due May 4, 2010

<http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/fellowships.html>

NEH Challenge Grants are capacity-building grants, intended to help institutions and organizations secure long-term improvements in and support for their humanities programs and resources. **due May 5, 2010**

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=52607>

National Science Foundation

<http://www.nsf.gov> (numerous others! Check the website!)

It is not too early to submit proposals to the Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Program.....**due July, 2010**

National Institutes of Health

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/submissionschedule.htm>



NEW PROPOSALS

THEATRE

Maya Salganek, Alaska Humanities Forum
Homemade Home: Building Independence and Community in Alaska

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REMINDER:

Please bring all ORIGINAL award notices to the CLA Dean's Office for award acceptance and set-up to spend.

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THANKS! To all the departments and faculty taking the time and making the effort to shepherd paperwork through the curriculum processes to ensure that your programs have the 499 and -98 course designators on the books and ready for undergraduate students to enroll.



The joy of learning

Royalty-free cartoon

“To repeat what others have said, requires education; to challenge it, requires brains.”

----- Mary Pettibone Poole



\$ NEW AWARDS

ARBHTA

\$136,233 – Julie Smith and Larry Roberts, State of Alaska - HSS – Medicaid Documentation Training

ART

\$4,000 – Todd Sherman, United States Artists – USA Artist in Residency – Marcos Ramirez – ERRE

SPRING 2010 TAB* Grants

***Technology Advisory Board**

ANTHROPOLOGY

\$7,261 – Joel Irish – 3D Scanning and Reproducing of Anthropological Specimens and Artifacts

ART

\$7,810 – Adam Schiesl – Printer Computer and Scanner for Master of Fine Arts Students

JOURNALISM

\$9,760 – Charles Mason – Camera Gear for Photojournalism and Photo Students

\$4,990 – Robert Prince – Journalism Video Production Accessories

\$300 – Robert Prince – Remote HD Camera for Extreme Filmmaking

MUSIC

\$1,835 – Gary Toth – Video Monitors for Davis Concert Hall

\$1,785 – Gary Toth – Davis Concert Hall Audio Recording Improvements

CONGRATULATIONS!

Best wishes for your continued success.

Springfest (no classes) April 23rd
Last day of instruction May 7th
Final examinations May 10-13th
Commencement May 16th

ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

4/7 – 4/9 Phi Theta Kappa convention & recruitment fair.

4/9 Research Day- outreach for high school and junior high school students.

4/15 – 4/16 Counselor Preview Days
NEED 2 faculty volunteers to eat lunch with counselors 4/16 12:15 – 1:15 at Lola Tilly Commons. There will be about 20 high school counselors from around the state, primarily from Anchorage and the Kenai Peninsula. E-mail Shelbie scumphenour@alaska.edu

4/17 UAF in North Pole Day

Reminder: GRADUATION APPLICATION CHANGES

The graduation application deadline is changing! Students who plan to be graduated in Spring 2011 will need to apply for graduation by October 15, 2010

REMINDER to let Shelbie know of any news and happenings in your department.

Early summary data for **CLA** Fall 2010 admissions as percent of 2009 final:

First-Time freshman	95.5%
Undergraduates	64.6%
Graduate students	31.4%

Early summary data for **UAF** Fall 2010 Admissions as percent of 2009 final:

All UA Scholars	56.3%
UA Scholars class '09	123.5%
Transfer undergrads	47.0%



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