

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS
Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Plan
Alaska Native Studies BA

College of Indigenous Studies

Expanded Statement of Institutional Purpose	Intended Objectives/Outcomes	Assessment Criteria and Procedures	Implementation (what, when, who)
MISSION STATEMENT: Empowering communities through our students GOALS: 1. Provide a high-quality BA degree in Alaska Native Studies that serves as a model of innovation and flexibility in delivering distance education while building on UAF's status as America's premier arctic university. 2. Recruit students from around the state and prepare them for the complexity of modern multi-cultural Alaska by thorough examination of the Alaska Native experience and its contemporary applications 1. The Communications Learning Outcomes (CLO) state that UAF undergraduates will demonstrate effective communication when they are able to: 1) Explain disciplinary content using a variety of modes of communication, including oral and written communication. 2) Communicate to audiences in the discipline using appropriate disciplinary conventions. 3) Translate disciplinary content to audiences outside the discipline as appropriate, making disciplinary knowledge relevant to broader communities. 4) Integrate feedback from others to enhance or revise communication.	Students will demonstrate understanding of historical and contemporary Alaska Native cultural practices and issues.	Papers from ANS 478 Senior Thesis will be evaluated annually by a committee of no less than three DANSRD faculty using prepared rubric. 70% of senior theses will score Good or Outstanding in the faculty review.	DANSRD co-chairs will convene a committee to review projects and presentations.
	Students will apply knowledge of Alaska Native history, culture, and current issues that builds upon community strengths, address contemporary challenges, and advance Alaska Native Studies Scholarship.	Papers from ANS 478 Senior Thesis will be evaluated annually by a committee of no less than three DANSRD faculty using prepared rubric. 70% of senior theses will score Good or Outstanding in the faculty review.	DANSRD co-chairs will convene a committee to review projects and presentations.
	Students will apply the information and skills learned in this degree in their community activities and employment.	Graduate Exit Statement.	A Graduate Exit Statement will be collected from each graduate.
	Students will demonstrate culturally appropriate oral & written communications skills in a variety of contexts, including academic communication, legal and policymaking communication, creative writing, and communicating with tribal audiences.	A baseline of written and oral communication skills will be collected in ANS 225. Oral and written communications skills will be assessed in ANS 478. 70% of senior theses will score Good or Outstanding in the faculty review. 70% of senior theses presentations will score Good or Outstanding in the faculty review.	ANS 225 baseline will be collected by faculty DANSRD co-chairs will convene a committee to review projects and presentations. Data will be aggregated and compared by the department chair over time. A potential issue with this measurement is that students go through the program at significantly varying speeds. However, over time the information should show trends that will be helpful.