

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR
Community & Technical College
Apprenticeship Technologies AAS**

STRENGTHS:

- This program requires no additional logistics, faculty or courses, so is cost-effective despite low student numbers.
- Provides opportunities for workers in trade technologies within UAF's area to add AAS credentials to their resume.

WEAKNESSES:

- Lack of support and collaboration with similar programs at UAA and UAS
- Potential for competitions with similar programs at UAA and UAS
- Very low enrollment questions the true need for this program
- SLOA not well defined or stated; this has been asked for in the last program review but has not been updated

OPPORTUNITIES:

This program is used by a few students in the trades to achieve credentials for an AAS degree. They can convert their journeyman credentials into credit and add GER courses. It may attract students who already work in the trades and would not otherwise consider university classwork. The program is not used by many students, but possibly student numbers could increase if this opportunity was better known among trades workers and unions. Achieving an AAS degree could allow workers to move into higher or management positions, or encourage them to seek further university degrees.

THREATS:

- Enrollment is very low and declining. It is not clear that there is really a need for this program.
- It is somewhat unclear what use an AAS degree would be for someone already employed in the trade.
- Competition and/or lack of cooperation with similar programs at UAA and UAS

CENTRALITY TO MISSION:

According to the SWOT analysis, "The practical integration of general course work and training for vocational technical trades specifically reflects the commitment of the university to high - quality instruction and public service."

INDICATORS OF QUALITY:

Program has the potential to provide opportunities for workers in trade technologies within UAF's area to add AAS credentials to their resume; however, few students are using the opportunity.

COST-EFFECTIVENESS:

This program requires no additional logistics, faculty or courses, so it is cost-effective despite low student numbers.

Majors

Metric	Detail	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
Majors	AAS Apprenticeship Technology	3	2	1	1	2

Degrees

Metric	Detail	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
Degrees	AAS Apprenticeship Technology	1	0	1	1	0

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RECOMMENDATION:	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	DATE FOR FOLLOW-UP:
Continuation: 1 vote		
Continuation w/ improvement plan: 6 votes	Find ways to increase enrollment; create an industry advisory committee to assess demand.	Report in one year.
Abstain: 1 vote		