Tradition and renewal

Tradition holds that for untold generations, Tanana Athabascans used the ridge the Fairbanks campus is built on to pick wild potato, *troth yeddha*'. It was a meeting place and a place of sustenance, and it is still a place where people work together and find intellectual nourishment.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks is proud of the students here today who have continued this tradition of collaboration and learning. Commencement is a special time for graduates and their families and friends who come to share this momentous occasion. This ceremony represents an ending, a time of reward for academic endeavor successfully completed. In another sense it is truly a commencement, a beginning, for the learning process is an unending one, to which the years of formal schooling are only a prelude.

On May 3, 1917, Alaska Territorial Gov. John Strong signed the bill accepting a land grant from the U.S. government for the creation of a college in Fairbanks. In 2014 we celebrate 97 years of progress in higher education in Alaska.

Along with our graduates, the University of Alaska Fairbanks acknowledges with pride the contributions of those who will receive honorary degrees or a Meritorious Service Award. The university also expresses gratitude to the dedicated faculty and staff who are retiring this year. Each has made a distinct contribution to the quality and reputation of this institution.

In today's 92nd commencement ceremony, more than 500 students will cross the stage to receive a certificate or degree, and overall more than 1,000 graduates will be recognized for their success. Other UAF campuses and learning centers in Bethel, Dillingham, Kotzebue, Nome and Tok will honor their graduates with separate commencement activities.

We honor you, the Class of 2014, for your achievement today.

Congratulations!



UA President Patrick K. Gamble

Dear Graduate.

Completing your course of study and learning at the University of Alaska Fairbanks is a significant life achievement and an important personal milestone.

First, enjoy this day ... you've earned the celebration. But graduating in higher education is also all about new beginnings. How do you plan to use your education? My wish for you is that you always continue to question and then learn from the answers, grow intellectually, and remember to contribute regularly to your community. Be it here in Alaska or wherever the future might take you, earning your degree from UAF has prepared you well to take on the next chapter in your life. Congratulations and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Patrick Gamble, President University of Alaska



UAF CHANCELLOR BRIAN ROGERS

Dear Graduate,

The diploma you receive today represents countless long hours of hard work. You now have something to show for that dedication — proof that you have knowledge and skill, and also that you have the perseverance to see something through. I hope today's commencement — your new beginning — is just the start of a future filled with natural curiosity and confident determination.

I look forward to seeing what you accomplish in the future. I know your success will inspire others, and I know you will continue to make UAF proud.

Brian Rogers, Chancellor University of Alaska Fairbanks

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UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES: MAY 11, 2014

Norm Davis, Class of 1984, will read graduates' names as they cross the stage

Processional **UAF Inu-Yupiaq Student Dance Group**

UAF Brass Choir Pomp and Circumstance

Director: Jane Aspnes

GRAND MARSHAL Jerry McBeath

FACULTY PARADE MARSHALS Miho Aoki Abel Bult-Ito Shawn Conell Amy Cooper Eric Heyne Stephen Jewett Chuck Jurich Ute Kaden Meriam Karlsso Richard McDonald Nicole Mölders H. Charles Sparks Trent Sutton

Abhijit Dandekar Meriam Karlsson Joshua Greenberg Jenny Liu

NATIONAL ANTHEM Brigid Gleason, Class of 2014

Presiding Brian Rogers, Chancellor, University of Alaska Fairbanks

INVOCATION David Moore, United Campus Ministries

REMARKS Patrick K. Gamble, President, University of Alaska System

INTRODUCTIONS Chancellor Rogers

Address Julie Kitka

CONFERRING OF DEGREES Fuller Cowell, Courtney Enright, Jyotsna Heckman, Patricia

Jacobson and Michael Powers, *Board of Regents, University of Alaska System*; President Gamble; Chancellor Rogers; Susan Henrichs, *Provost*, and John Eichelberger, *Dean, Graduate*

School, University of Alaska Fairbanks

Introduction of CLASS SPEAKER

Michael Sfraga, Vice Chancellor for University and Student

Advancement, University of Alaska Fairbanks

CLASS SPEAKER Ashley Strauch, Class of 2014

RECOGNITION OF EMERITI Regent Enright; President Gamble; Chancellor Rogers;

Provost Henrichs

CONFERRING OF Regent Powers; President Gamble; Chancellor Rogers;

HONORARY DEGREES Provost Henrichs

Conferring of MERITORIOUS SERVICE

AWARDS

Regent Heckman; President Gamble; Chancellor Rogers;

Provost Henrichs

Alumni Association

President

Lisa Gentry, Class of 2004

ALASKA FLAG SONG

Thomas Szidloski, *UAF music major*

Recessional

ENSEMBLE 64.8 (UAF Percussion Group)

Director: Morris Palter

EXITING

INFORMATION

Audience members are kindly requested to remain in their seats until the graduates have completed the recessional. Those seated on the second and third levels may exit the

building through the second-floor doors.

ALUMNI RECEPTION

Please join us for a reception in the Arthur Buswell Pioneer Room immediately following the ceremony, sponsored by the Fairbanks chapter of the UAF Alumni Association.

FOR THE COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS

STANDARD FLAG BEARERS Stefan Weingarth, College of Engineering

and Mines orange and black chevron K. Brenae Baker, College of Liberal Arts.... fuchsia and white

Isaac Bailey, College of Natural Science

and Mathematics......golden yellow

Naomi Stapp, College of Rural and

Community Development light gray and red Kaz Alvarez, School of Education. light blue and blue

Lauren Bailey, School of Fisheries

and Ocean Sciences.....blue and golden yellow Heidi Bryan, School of Management drab and copper

Brent Culleton, School of Natural Resources

and Agricultural Sciences maize and forest green

Assistance for the HEARING IMPAIRED

There are a limited number of personal hearing devices; go to

any information table to obtain one.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Photos of individual graduates will be available through Grad Images, www.gradimages.com, 800-261-2576.

SAFETY INFORMATION

Exits are located on both levels of the building. Please take a moment to locate the two exits nearest your seat. In the event of an emergency, information and directions will be announced. Please remain calm and follow all given instructions. In compliance with the Fairbanks fire marshal's office, the aisles, walkways and doorways must remain clear at

all times.

Academic Degree Abbreviations

A.A Associate of Arts
A.A.S Associate of Applied Science
A.S Associate of Science
B.A Bachelor of Arts
B.A.S Bachelor of Arts and Sciences
B.B.A Bachelor of Business Administration
B.E.M Bachelor of Emergency Management
B.F.A Bachelor of Fine Arts
B.M Bachelor of Music
B.S Bachelor of Science
B.T Bachelor of Technology
Cert Certificate
Gr. Cert Graduate Certificate
M.A Master of Arts
M.A.T Master of Arts in Teaching
M.B.A Master of Business Administration
M.C.E Master of Civil Engineering
M.Ed Master of Education
M.E.E Master of Electrical Engineering
M.F.A Master of Fine Arts
M.N.R.M.G Master of Natural Resources
Management and Geography
M.S Master of Science
M.S.E Master of Software Engineering
Ph.D Doctor of Philosophy

Students in the College of Rural and Community Development have their home campuses indicated beside their names. For the most part, degree candidates outside the Fairbanks area will participate in graduation ceremonies at their home campuses.

Confirmation of degrees and honors for the May 2014 degree candidates whose names are listed in this program will be made when final grades are received.

Red sashes signify graduating Alaska Native and Native American students. Blue sashes signify graduating Community and Technical College students. The red, white and blue honor cords pay tribute to active-duty service members and veterans of the United States Armed Forces. Student-athletes are wearing a blue sash with the Alaska Nanooks logo. International students may be wearing a sash recognizing their home country.

Information presented in this program is accurate as of 9 a.m. May 7, 2014. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of graduates' names, degrees and other information. We sincerely regret any errors and omissions.

CARILLON

David A. Stech, *Professor of Music, Emeritus*, provided the carillon music for the commencement events.

^{*} Denotes summer degree recipient

^{**} Denotes December degree recipient

Honors Recognition

GRADUATION WITH HONORS

Associate and baccalaureate degree students who graduated with honors in August and December and candidates for graduation in May wear a gold honor cord. Cumulative grade point averages required for graduating with honors are:

summa cum laude 3.9 or higher with no grades lower than an A-magna cum laude 3.75-3.8 • cum laude 3.5-3.74

Honors Program

The Honors Program graduation designation requires exceptional aptitude, academic performance and achievement in a challenging course of study. Honors students complete credits in specially designed courses and an honors capstone/senior thesis. Honors Thesis Scholars earned 12 honors credits and wear a long blue-trimmed and striped gold sash with a single blue and gold honor cord. University Honors Scholars earned 27 honors credits and wear the same sash with a double blue and gold honor cord.

GOLDEN KEY HONOR SOCIETY

Golden Key is an international student-run service organization committed to meeting the needs of scholastic achievers. Members wear a gold medallion on a blue and gold ribbon, a gold satin sash with a blue logo, or a blue and gold honor cord.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP HONORS AND LEADERSHIP DISTINCTION

Student Leadership Honors recognition is granted to students who have made significant contributions to enhancing the mission of UAF, the surrounding community and the promotion of student life. Students receiving this recognition wear a burgundy honor cord. Graduation with Leadership Distinction recognition is granted to students who have displayed a commitment of excellence to themselves, UAF and their community. Students receiving this recognition wear a silver honor cord.

HONOR SOCIETY OF PHI KAPPA PHI

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi promotes the pursuit of excellence and the recognition of outstanding achievement. Membership is limited to the top students of each graduating class. Members wear a blue ribbon and a medallion bearing the symbolic seal of the society.

STUDENT AMBASSADOR RECOGNITION AND HONORS

Students involved in the Student Ambassador Program have demonstrated outstanding campus leadership and have supported the growth of the university through outreach and community-service. Ambassadors graduating with a 3.0 cumulative GPA and 100 or more service hours, or a 3.5 cumulative GPA and 50 or more service hours graduate with Student Ambassador Honors. Students receiving honors recognition wear a blue and gold honor cord.

The Class of 2014

CERTIFICATES, ASSOCIATE, BACCALAUREATE AND MASTER'S DEGREES

College of Engineering and Mines

Dr. Douglas J. Goering, Dean

Baccalaureate Degrees

Travis Michael Alatalo

B.S., Petroleum Engineering. Golden Key Honor Society

Zachary Alan Alkire

magna cum laude, B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Grace Anne Amundsen

B.S., Civil Engineering. *University Honors* Scholar. Student Ambassador Honors

Matthew Brian Anctil *

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Dean M. Ash

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Logan M. Balstad

cum laude, B.S., Civil Engineering

Robert Blair Barnett

B.S., Electrical Engineering

Milaud Robert Baumgartner

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Sean Akira Berg

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Adam Jordan Bernardi

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Beau Z. Berryman **

B.S., Computer Science

Stephen Joseph Bishop

cum laude, B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Jared Thomas Boerger

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Chaitanya Sunil Borade **

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Raymond Samuel Brooks

B.S., Geological Engineering; Geology

Justin K. Calkins

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Justin Michael Cannon

magna cum laude, B.S., Petroleum Engineering; Mathematics

Charles Anthony Carlson

cum laude, B.S., Computer Science. Golden Key Honor Society

Andrew Joseph Chamberlain **

cum laude, B.S., Civil Engineering

John Timothy Cheshire

magna cum laude, B.S., Petroleum Engineering. University Honors Scholar

Sean Coe Choummittaphanh **

B.S., Electrical Engineering: Computer Engineering

Elliot Devon Clausen *

B.S., Civil Engineering

Syler Wren Clayton

B.S., Computer Science

Phillip J. Clifton

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Charles D. Coisman

magna cum laude, B.S., Petroleum Engineering. Honors Thesis Scholar

James M. Collier III

B.S., Civil Engineering

Jordann Nichole Conlon **

B.S., Civil Engineering

Joshua A. Craft

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Denali D. Critchett

cum laude, B.S., Petroleum Engineering. Student Ambassador Honors

Kodiak Kelo Cullen

B.S., Mechanical Engineering: Aerospace Emphasis

Diego Davila Lourenco de Lima

B.S., Civil Engineering

Sterling DeWilde

B.S., Civil Engineering

Dominic Louis Dionne

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Jeremiah David Dobberpuhl

B.S., Civil Engineering

Forrest Emerson Dobson

B.S., Mining Engineering

Austin D. Dukowitz

B.S., Civil Engineering

John V. Dutton

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Heather M. Edic

magna cum laude, B.S., Civil Engineering

Dalton Brian Ellingson

B.S., Electrical Engineering: Power and Control

Mark Philip Evans

B.S., Mechanical Engineering. Golden Key Honor Society

Marcus Alan Farquhar

B.S., Civil Engineering

Devon L. Fitzpatrick

magna cum laude, B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Carl Hunter France

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Lance R. Gatter

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Luke Corbin Craighead George

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Timothy Lee Grediagin *

B.S., Computer Science

Edward Cleon Greene

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Samantha Jo Harris

B.S., Civil Engineering

Curtis James Henry

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Austin H. Hinzman

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Charles Robert Hnilicka III

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Sarah R. Hoffman

magna cum laude, B.S., Mechanical Engineering: Aerospace Emphasis. Golden Key Honor Society

Katie Lee Hopkins

B.S., Mechanical Engineering: Aerospace Emphasis

Ryan William Houlding **

B.S., Computer Science

Gerry W. Hovda **

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Bryan R. Johnson

magna cum laude, B.S., Petroleum Engineering. Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Morgan Marie Johnson

B.S., Electrical Engineering: Computer Engineering

Gregory John Klupar

B.S., Computer Science

Ruslan P. Kolesnik

cum laude, B.S., Computer Science

Petr V. Kosmin **

B.S., Civil Engineering

Aaron M. Kruse

B.S., Geological Engineering

Mindona M. Krzykowski

magna cum laude, B.S., Mining Engineering

Ebisso Girma Kurfessa *

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Benjamin Michael Lauritzen

magna cum laude, B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Stephen Thomas Lee **

B.S., Civil Engineering

Alex Joseph Legrismith **

B.S., Mining Engineering

Zhiyu Li

B.S., Geological Engineering

Yupei Liu **

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Brett Michael Martino

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Jeffery E. Martt

B.S., Civil Engineering

Coty Kerndt Mayo

magna cum laude, B.S., Mechanical Engineering. University Honors Scholar

Ian Carl Mckee

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Jordan Moxey Merkes

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Yan Miao

B.S., Geological Engineering

Scott Robert Michel *

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Shaun M. Milke *

magna cum laude, B.S., Mechanical Engineering: Aerospace Emphasis. *University Honors Scholar*

Jacob P. Monagle

magna cum laude, B.S., Electrical Engineering: Communications

Katrina L. Monta

cum laude, B.S., Civil Engineering. Golden Key Honor Society

Derek Althen Nashookpuk

B.S., Civil Engineering

Benjamin Eric Neubauer *

B.S., Electrical Engineering: Communications

James Kindell Niedermeyer *

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Kristine Joy Odom

cum laude, B.S., Petroleum Engineering. Golden Key Honor Society

^{*} Summer degree recipient

^{**} December degree recipient

Simon Wilson Ortega

B.S., Mining Engineering. Golden Key Honor Society

Bryant Allen Palm

B.S., Mechanical Engineering: Aerospace Emphasis

Steven Wayne Pence

B.S., Civil Engineering

John Murray Pender *

B.S., Computer Science. *University Honors* Scholar

James Edward Peters

B.S., Electrical Engineering: Communications

Thomas Gremm Polasek

cum laude, B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Allen Michael Posma

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

John Kyle Raese

magna cum laude, B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Daniel Philip Randle

B.S., Electrical Engineering: Communications

Paul E. Richeson

B.S., Electrical Engineering: Computer Engineering

Sarah Rose Rife

B.S., Geological Engineering

Quinn M. Sawyer

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Steven P. Siemoneit

B.S., Geological Engineering

Rijo Sabu Simon **

B.S., Computer Science

Elliot James Smith

cum laude, B.S., Civil Engineering

Michael Wayne Smith **

B.S., Electrical Engineering: Power and Control

Simon S. Smith

B.S., Computer Science

Yan Song

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Matthew D. Staley

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Kyle Michael Stanfill

B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Michael J. Stevens

B.S., Geological Engineering

Connor Douglas Swanson

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Erika Dawn Tobin '

B.S., Mining Engineering

Tsakhiur Tsogtsaikhan

B.S., Mining Engineering

Marco Antonio Ulloa Arellano **

B.S., Electrical Engineering: Power and Control

Vincent Alfred Valenti

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Sidhant Verma

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Jeffrey Daniel Waldron

B.S., Computer Science

Rachel Mahree Ward

B.S., Petroleum Engineering

Richard Jacob Ward

B.S., Mechanical Engineering. Golden Key Honor Society

Ty Patrick Wardell *

B.S., Civil Engineering

Brett M. Wells

B.S., Civil Engineering

Zakoriah Ross Williams

cum laude, B.S., Computer Science

Ryan Joseph Williams-Cudo

B.S., Civil Engineering

Zackery James Wright

cum laude, B.S., Mechanical Engineering

Tuotian Zheng

B.S., Geological Engineering

Raymond Thomas Zimmer

B.S., Mining Engineering

Post-Baccalaureate and Graduate Certificates

Levi Mark Lewellyn

Gr. Cert., Design and Construction Management

Master's Degrees

Matthew E. G. Billings *

M.S., Geological Engineering

Stephen Joseph Bishop

M.S., Mechanical Engineering

Patrizia Bolz

M.S., Geological Engineering

Jabez Chinnam

M.S., Mechanical Engineering

Syler Wren Clayton

M.S., Computer Science

Amanda Jane Davila **

M.S., Environmental Quality Science: Environmental Science and Management

Dieudonne Kodjo Delaihdem **

M.S., Petroleum Engineering

Gregory Geiger *

M.S., Electrical Engineering

Amanda Linnea Gellhouse

M.S., Software Engineering: Interdisciplinary Program

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M.S., Electrical Engineering

Thrushal Kargi

M.S., Engineering Management

Dan Luo **

M.S., Petroleum Engineering

Everet Dillon Megli **

M.C.E., Civil Engineering

Shaun M. Milke

M.S., Mechanical Engineering

Alexander Ferdinand Morris

M.S., Electrical Engineering

Karthik Murugesan

M.S., Petroleum Engineering

Michael Ioseph Nash **

M.S., Mechanical Engineering

Brian M. Paden **

M.S.E., Software Engineering

Daniel Peters M.S., Electrical Engineering

Zhili Quan **

M.S., Civil Engineering **Dustin Russell Ray ****

M.S., Mechanical Engineering

Maura Eileen Sateriale **

M.S., Mechanical Engineering

Jonathon William Shepard

M.S., Petroleum Engineering

Thomas Andrew Sielicki **

M.S., Electrical Engineering

Jacquelyn Rose Smith

M.S., Geological Engineering

Lisa M. Stowell *

M.S., Mechanical Engineering

Ramana S. Vanga

M.S., Mechanical Engineering

Zakoriah Ross Williams

M.S., Computer Science

Kun Yang **

M.S., Geological Engineering

Behnam Zanganeh

M.S., Petroleum Engineering

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Mr. Todd Sherman, Dean

Baccalaureate Degrees

Jeremiah Joseph Alich

B.A., Interdisciplinary Studies: General Studies

Samuel Ray Allen

B.A., Journalism: News-Editorial

Charles Raymond Allison

B.A., History

Maximillian Lorenzo Anderson

magna cum laude, B.A., Justice

Desiree Lenore Andon

B.A., Justice

Kelsey Lynne Andresen

B.A., Sociology

Madeline Ann Arima **

B.A., Anthropology

Stephanie Lynn Ashcraft *

B.A., Political Science

Darcy Allyn Baecker

B.A., Foreign Languages: Spanish

Laquawna Michele Baker

B.A., Social Work

Ronnie Curtis Baker

B.A., Communication

Hayley Jane Baksis

B.M., Music: Performance

Priscilla H. Ballot *

B.A., Interdisciplinary Studies: General Studies

Garry Stacey Banks II *

B.A., Psychology

Ioshua David Banks **

B.A., Political Science

Brandon Michael Barnes

B.A., History

Danielle Nicole Barnett

B.A., Social Work

Cynthia Marie Barrand

Northwest Campus, B.A., Social Work. Golden Key Honor Society. Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Daisy May Barrera

B.A., Social Work

Ashlev Marie Bartolowits **

summa cum laude, B.A., Psychology. Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Mikki Renee Bateman *

cum laude, B.A., Psychology

J. Dabric Baxter

cum laude, B.A., English

Jana Marie Benedix *

cum laude, B.S., Psychology

Dallen Storm Bills

magna cum laude, B.A., Psychology

Kevin Alastair Bishop

magna cum laude, B.A., Justice

Lori Joanne Borgford *

B.A., Justice

Troy Joseph Bouffard **

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B.A., Sociology. Golden Key Honor Society

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B.A., Inupiaq Eskimo

Darla Rachelle Brown

B.A., Interdisciplinary Studies: General Studies

Dorothy Aileen Burton

B.A., Interdisciplinary Studies: General Studies

Catherine Ann Button **

B.A., Sociology

Jessica Roxana Calderon

B.A., Social Work

Crystal Lynn Calloway

B.A., Social Work

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Teagan Louis Cambier

B.A., Philosophy

Rebekah Ann Capen **

B.A., Social Work

Patricia Elvse Carlson **

B.F.A., Art: Metalsmithing

Nicole M. Chambers

magna cum laude, B.A., English

Riki Amber Chapman

B.A., Social Work

Brittany Hope Childress

magna cum laude, B.A., Anthropology

Molly Stella Chingliak

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Lacy Marie Church **

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Gregory A. Clark *

B.A., Interdisciplinary Studies: General Studies

Angela K. Cocuzza

B.S., Anthropology

Jennifer Lynn Comeaux **

B.A., History

Jeffrey Richard Congdon

B.A., Interdisciplinary Studies: General Studies

Ronald Lee Cook Ir. B.A., Psychology

Norman Ronald Davis Jr **

B.A., Justice

Marissa Danielle Davis-Orban

B.A., Journalism: Broadcast Journalism

Iill Rebecca Decker *

B.S., Psychology

Mia Arnuco Delcastillo

B.A., Foreign Languages: Spanish

Mark Dellaquila *

B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies: General Studies

Jessica Anne Desmond *

B.A., History

Lia A. Digrappa **

B.A., Anthropology

Beatrice Victoria Domke B.S., Psychology

Darrin Ray Dunn

B.A., Justice

Tashina Mae Duttle **

cum laude, B.S., Sustainable Resources Management: Interdisciplinary Program

Magdalena Christina Eras-Sawyer

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B.A., English

Franz Josef Felkl

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B.A., Music

Rebecca Kyleen File **

cum laude, B.M., Music: Music Education K-12

Destiny L. Fisk

B.A., Psychology

Benjamin G. Foster **

B.A., Philosophy

Olivia Angeline Freelong

B.A., Justice

Cristan Luke Fry

B.A., Interdisciplinary Studies: General Studies

Ieni Lea Gabriel **

B.A., Psychology

Andrew Robert Griffin Gardner

B.A., English

Corbin Robert Gieck

B.A., English

Keriann E. Gilson

B.A., English

Chazz L. Gist

B.A., Music

Brigid Barbara Gleason

B.M., Music: Music Education K-12

Roderick Larome Glover Sr **

B.A., Justice

Brian Michael K. Green **

B.A., Anthropology

Autumn L. Greene

B.A., Communication Ieanine Danielle Griek *

B.A., Foreign Languages: Spanish

Dean Thomas Gustafson **

B.A., Psychology

Eric W. Haberin

B.A., Journalism: Photojournalism

Cassandra A. Haglund

B.A., Art

Anna Mercedes Brix Hahn

B.A., Journalism: New Media

Tristian M. Hall *

B.A., Justice

Maarit Einari Hamilton *

cum laude, B.A., English

Joseph G. Hamm

B.A., Journalism: Broadcast Journalism

Michael J. Hankee

cum laude, B.A., Foreign Languages: Spanish

Kristen Ann Hannigan *

cum laude, B.A., Interdisciplinary Studies:

General Studies

Amber Lea Harger B.M., Music: Music Education K-12

Amanda Mary Harper

B.A., Foreign Languages: Spanish

Jason D. Hausner **

B.A., Interdisciplinary Studies: General Studies

Rene Elizabeth Headley **

B.S., Psychology

Cord B. Hege **

magna cum laude, B.A., Justice

Maria L. Helms **

B.A., Anthropology

Iulie Suzanne Herrmann

B.A., Journalism: News-Editorial

Mary Louisa Hewitt

B.A., Foreign Languages: Spanish

LaShanda Jean Hill

B.A., Social Work. Golden Key Honor Society

Tammy R. Holland

B.A., Art

Tristan J. Hovest

B.M., Music: Music Education K-12

Courtney Danielle Howeth

B.A., Social Work

Sherman D. Igkurak **

B.A., Interdisciplinary Studies: General Studies

Kirsten Sue Istvanovich

B.A., Social Work

Jordan Arthur Jackson **

B.A., History

Heidi Jean Jacobsen

e**idi Jean Jac** B.A., English

Emily R. Johnson

B.A., Psychology

Jasmyne Danielle Johnson **

B.A., English

Jason DeVon Johnson Sr

Chukchi Campus, B.A., Social Work

Michael Louis Keller **

cum laude, B.M., Music: Music Education K-12

Bernadine Yvonne Keyes

B.A., Psychology

Molly Maqpee Lane

B.A., Journalism: News-Editorial

Ian Burton Larsen

B.A., English

Courtney Elaine Lauer **

magna cum laude, B.A., Japanese Studies

David Edward Laurie

B.A., English

Deborah A. Leibee

magna cum laude, B.F.A., Art: Printmaking. Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Brittany Ann Lewis **

B.A., Justice

Brandon Lee Lewsader **

B.A., English

Joshua Thomas Livingston

B.A., Justice

Hannah Marie Loechel **

cum laude, B.A., Communication

Jessica Marie Long

magna cum laude, B.A., Foreign Languages: German. Golden Key Honor Society

Crystal Lor

cum laude, B.A., Psychology

Kyle Alan Maines

B.A., Justice

Bridget Aileen Martin

magna cum laude, B.A., Justice

Crystal Rene Martin **

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M.S., International Environmental Principles and Policies: Interdisciplinary Program

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The Class of 2014

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College of Engineering and Mines

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Liangbiao Chen **

Ph.D. **Engineering: Mechanical Engineering**

B.C.E., Shaghai Jiao Tong University, 2006; M.C.E., University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2011.

Thesis: Using the Generalized Interpolation Material Point Method for Fluid-Solid Interactions Induced by Surface Tension

> Numerical algorithms were developed to handle surface tension and contact (wetting) in fluid-solid interaction problems at small scales based on the generalized interpolation material point method. The algorithms generally yielded errors of less than 5 percent in simulating various benchmark problems.

Major Professors: Dr. Jonah Lee and Dr. Cheng-fu Chen

Peng Li *

Engineering: Civil Engineering

B.S., Chang'an University, 2004; M.S., Chang'an University, 2007.

Thesis: Characterization and Implementation of Stress Dependent Resilient Modulus of Asphalt Treated Base for Flexible Pavement Design

The stress-dependent property of resilient modulus (MR) was measured and modeled for four types of asphalt-treated base course materials. The stressdependent MR was incorporated in pavement analysis using a finite element method. Predictive equations for MR and critical pavement responses were developed. Equivalent MRs were also recommended.

Major Professor: Dr. Jenny Liu

Edda Andrea Mutter

Ph.D. Arctic Environmental Science: Interdisciplinary Program

B.S., University of Alaska Anchorage, 2002; M.S., University of Alaska Anchorage, 2004.

Thesis: Assessment of Contaminant Concentrations and Transport Pathways in Rural Alaska Communities' Solid Waste and Wastewater Sites

Waste management practices currently employed in many rural Alaska communities are potentially impacting human and environmental health. This study investigated soil, surface and subsurface waters in the vicinity of five rural Alaska communities' waste sites for the presence of heavy metals, organic constituents and microbial indicator organisms.

Major Professor: Dr. William Schnabel

Seok J. Yoon

Ph.D. Environmental Health and Safety Management for Mining and Other Industries: Interdisciplinary Program

B.S., Dankook University, 1991; M.S., University of Alaska Anchorage, 1995.

Thesis: Environment, Health and Safety Management for Mining and Other Industries

This study was to investigate the impact of environment and Occupational Health and Safety Management System (OHSMS) on health and safety. Three case studies were conducted to examine the impact of abandoned mines on the environment, the effect of OHSMS implementation on reducing safety risk and the impact of environment on health.

Major Professor: Dr. Hsing Lin

Yongjun Zhang

Ph.D. Materials Science and Engineering: Interdisciplinary Program B.E., Tongji University, 1995; M.E., Tongji University, 1997; M.E., National University of Singapore, 2002.

Thesis: Correlation of Microstructure and Thermo-Mechanical Properties of a Novel Hydrogen Transport Membrane

DOE's "FutureGen" concept is about production of hydrogen using hydrogen transport membranes (HTM) to fuel a "hydrogen economy." Major technical challenges for efficient and reliable HTM are separation technology, hydrogen flux characterization and mechanical properties. This research provides the thermomechanical properties and structural stability of a novel HTM for real-world application.

Major Professor: Dr. Sukumar Bandopadhyay

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COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Mr. Todd Sherman, Dean

Kathryn Jane Anderson **

Ph.D. Social Marketing: Interdisciplinary Program

B.S., Arizona State University, 1973; M.S., Rutgers University, 1975; M.S., University of Alaska Anchorage, 2009.

Thesis: Tobacco Use and Cessation: What Matters to Southeast Alaska Native

Young Adults?

Qualitative research discovered that Southeast Alaska Native young adult smokers wanted to quit but preferred quitting cold turkey to counseling and pharmacotherapy. They were more concerned about short- than long-term health impacts and were sensitive to the impact of smoking on their appearance and on children in their extended family.

Major Professors: Dr. Ellen Lopez and Dr. Rhonda Johnson

Edgar Blatchford *

Corporate Governance of ANCSA: Interdisciplinary Program

B.A., Alaska Pacific University, 1973; J.D., University of Washington, 1976; M.S., Columbia University, 1988; M.A., Dartmouth College, 2010; M.P.A., Harvard University, 2011.

Thesis: Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and the Unresolved Issues of Profit Sharing, Corporate Democracy, and the New Generations of Alaska **Natives**

The Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act was an experiment and a radical departure from policies in creating corporations with all shareholders being equal. The replication of publicly traded corporate governance has created frustrations, inequities and unintended consequences for thousands of Natives that can be righted only if the experiment is continued.

Major Professors: Dr. S. Craig Gerlach and Dr. Anthony Nakazawa

Andreas Droulias *

Anthropology Ph.D.

B.A., University of Essex, 1999; M.A., University of Essex, 2001.

Thesis: Social Benefits and Cultural Consequences of Basketball in Alaska

Basketball is deeply institutionalized in schools and communities across Alaska. This investigation of the sport examined the role of basketball as a game, a formal and informal competitive sport, a spectator sport and a training regime in the social and cultural life of a rural community in the state.

Major Professor: Dr. David Koester

Tara Jeanette Ford *

Ph.D. Clinical-Community Psychology: Rural Indigenous Emphasis

B.A., University of Alaska Anchorage, 2006; M.S., University of Alaska Anchorage, 2011.

Thesis: Becoming Adults in a Rural Yup'ik Community: A Longitudinal

Qualitative Study Exploring Resilience

This qualitative longitudinal study explored strategies for navigating developmental challenges for 15 youth (14–20 years old) in a rural Alaska Yup'ik community. Youth responses emphasized specific challenges and protective resources such as reframing challenges, seeking personal space and social supports. Findings can inform clinical and prevention work in this Yup'ik community.

Major Professors: Dr. James Allen and Dr. Jason Whipple

Cheryl Louise Jerabek

Ph.D. Indigenous Studies

B.S., University of Wisconsin - Green Bay, 2001; M.A., University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2005.

Thesis: Russian Impact on Cultural Identity and Heritage in the Middle

Kuskokwim Region of Alaska

Russian heritage, which has been absorbed into the local culture, has played an important role in the individual and group identity of Native people in the middle Kuskokwim River region of Alaska. It is this indigenous rootedness that is at the core of identity in the middle Kuskokwim.

Major Professor: Dr. Raymond Barnhardt

Kimberly Ann Kelly *

Ph.D. Administration from a Social Psychological Perspective: Interdisciplinary Program

B.A., University of Illinois, 1992; M.A., Columbia University, 1994; M.A., New York University, 1996; M.Ed. University of Alaska Anchorage, 1999; M.B.A. University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2012.

Thesis: The Impact of Teacher Achievement Emotions on the Co-Production of Education Services

Educational policy in the United States has evolved into a more intense system of accountability, resulting in an intensification of achievement emotions experienced by teachers. Employing the control-value theory of achievement emotions, this study found that a teacher's sense of control was significantly related to their effectiveness under such policies.

Major Professor: Dr. Cecile Lardon

Seetha Murugesan **

Ph.D. Cross-Cultural Classics and Mythology: Interdisciplinary Program B.A., University of Madras, 1970; M.A., Madurai Kamaraj University, 1984.

Thesis: Bride Stealing: A Myth of Misogyny

Bride-stealing, an explicit symbolic misogynistic action in *The Iliad* and *The Kamba Ramayanam*, is analyzed from an interdisciplinary stance in a comparative literary style. After examining 5,000 years of history of ancient Greece and India, substantiated by archaeological, anthropological and linguistic evidence, this dissertation concludes that bride-stealing was an outcome of nomadic patriarchs' lust for war and not misogyny.

Major Professors: Dr. Lawrence Duffy and Dr. David Yesner

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Feng Qu *

Ph.D. Anthropology

B.A., Jilin University, 1987; M.A., Leiden University, 2004.

Thesis: The Legacy of Shamans? Structural and Cognitive Perspectives of Prehistoric Symbolism in the Bering Strait Region

Based on ethnographic records and drawing from practice theory and animist ontology, an ethnographic analysis was conducted to explore the symbolic meanings of the prehistoric art in the Bering Strait region. Interpretations of the variants of art productivity, cosmological structures, and relationship between humans and materials were provided.

Major Professors: Dr. Peter Schweitzer and Dr. Ben Potter

Diana G. Redwood **

Ph.D. Public Health: Interdisciplinary Program

B.S., Evergreen State College, 2000; M.P.H., Tufts University, 2004.

Thesis: Use of Family History to Improve Colorectal Cancer Screening Outreach Among Alaska Native People

This study examined predictors of colorectal cancer (CRC) screening adherence among Alaska Native first-degree relatives (FDRs) of CRC patients, the extent to which CRC screening outreach for FDRs is occurring within the Alaska Tribal Health System, barriers and facilitators to increasing outreach efforts, and recommendations for improving FDR screening outreach.

Major Professor: Dr. Ellen Lopez

Lisa Llewellyn Schwarzburg **

Rural and Indigenous Health Policy: Interdisciplinary Program Ph.D.

B.S., University of Tennessee - Knoxville, 1981; M.S., University of Tennessee - Knoxville, 1985.

Thesis: Arctic Passages: Maternal Transport, Iñupiat Mothers, and Northwest

Alaska Communities in Transition

This research explores the impact of maternal transport on Iñupiat mothers of differing eras and northwest Alaska villages. By combining medical anthropology and policy analysis methodology, the study found connections among presence of Iñupiat values, community acceptance of maternal transport, and expressed desire for community autonomy in maternal health care.

Major Professors: Dr. Lawrence Duffy and Dr. Philip Loring

COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCE AND **MATHEMATICS**

Dr. Paul W. Laver, Dean

Timothy Chester Bartholomaus **

Ph.D. Geophysics

B.A., Dartmouth College, 2002; M.S., University of Colorado - Boulder, 2007.

Thesis: Seismicity, Seawater, and Seasonality: New Insights Into Iceberg Calving From Yahtse Glacier, Alaska

> Icebergs falling from glacier termini produce seismic signals when they impact the ocean. The size of an iceberg can be predicted by its "icequake." With two years of icequake recordings and measurements of seawater properties, the research shows that the ocean controls summer ice mass loss from the Yahtse Glacier terminus.

Major Professor: Dr. Christopher Larsen

Soumik Basu

Ph.D. Atmospheric Sciences

B.S., University of Calcutta, 2006; M.S., University of Calcutta, 2008.

Thesis: Modeling Investigation of Northern Hemisphere Extratropical Storm Variability and Changes in a Warming Climate

> A modeling investigation indicated increased number and intensity of storms over the U.S. East and West coasts in response to elevated tropical Pacific sea surface temperature. Reduced arctic sea ice cover caused an increase in storminess over the Arctic but a decrease over Eurasia.

Major Professor: Dr. Xiangdong Zhang

Jennifer Michelle Bell

Environmental Chemistry

A.A., San Bernardino Valley College, 1998; B.S., California State University, San Bernardino, 2001; M.P.A., California State University, San Bernardino, 2004; M.S., California State University, San Bernardino, 2008.

Thesis: Characterization, Composition, and Source Identification of Iraqi Aerosols Soldiers deployed in Baghdad, Iraq, breathed air containing concentrations of fine particulate matter known to cause adverse health effects in humans. This study examined the concentrations, compositions and sources of the fine particulate matter in Baghdad's air.

Major Professor: Dr. Catherine Cahill

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Zhipeng Dai **

Ph.D. Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

B.S., Zhengzhou University, 2006.

Thesis: Synthesis of Sphingosine Analogues by Diastereospecific Amination of Enantiopure Trans-Gamma, Delta-Unsaturated-Beta-Hydroxyesters

An effective route to aromatic D-erythro-sphingosine analogues is accomplished. The strategy is based on the diastereospecific amination of enantiopure trans-γ,δunsaturated β-hydroxyesters to establish anti, N-Boc-α-hydrazino-β-hydroxyesters. Nonreductive E1cB elimination is essential for the successful N-N bond cleavage of hydrazine. Both (3R, 2S) and (3S, 2R) enantiomers of N-Boc-D-erythro-sphingosine analogues have been synthesized in five steps with >99% e.e. and >99% d.e. with no purification of stereoisomers required.

Major Professor: Dr. Tom Green

Melody S. Durrett

Ph.D. **Biological Sciences**

B.S., University of Wyoming, 2003.

Thesis: Spatial Variability in Plant and Soil Properties on New Zealand Seabird Islands, and the Effects of Introduced Rats

Seabirds are important ecosystem engineers. To understand their effects on individual islands, the study evaluated the variability in soil and plant properties, how seabirds control these properties and how seabird density alters these mechanisms. Invasive rats reduce seabird populations, dramatically altering island ecosystems.

Major Professor: Dr. Christa Mulder

Wenyu Gong

Ph.D. Geophysics

B.S., Wuhan University, 2006; M.S., Chinese Academy of Surveying and Mapping, 2009.

Thesis: Long-Term Monitoring of Geodynamic Surface Deformation Using SAR Interferometry

This study explores the method to extract accurate ground deformation signals from radar satellite image to facilitate long-term volcano monitoring and study their geophysical signatures. A geophysical case study is performed on the active volcanoes of Unimak Island, Alaska, including Westdahl volcano, Fisher caldera and Shishaldin volcano.

Major Professor: Dr. Franz Meyer

Marijke Habermann **

Ph.D. Geophysics

M.S., Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich, 2007.

Thesis: Basal Shear Strength Inversions for Ice Sheets with an Application to Jakobshavn Isbræ, Greenland

A new iterative inverse method is introduced and effects of regularization are investigated. At Jakobshavn Isbræ, the research finds decreased basal shear strength in the terminus region that agrees with effective pressure changes. Residual patterns of the inversion suggest that ice geometry data and model simplifications are the main error sources.

Major Professor: Dr. Martin Truffer

Rebekah Frances Hare

Biological Sciences Ph.D.

B.S., Washington State University, 2004; M.S., University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2010.

Thesis: Localization of Francisella Pathogenicity Island-Encoded Secreted Proteins and Their Secretion System

The Francisella pathogenicity island (FPI) is linked to virulence, intracellular growth and a type VI secretion system. The hypothesis is that FPI-encoded proteins are secreted during infection. Microscopy showed extracellularly localized FPIencoded proteins. Extracellular-localization was reduced when expressed in the

secretion mutant. These data suggest that FPI encoded proteins are secreted.

Major Professor: Dr. Karsten Hueffer

Joanne Healy

Ph.D. Educational Bioanthropology: Interdisciplinary Program

B.Ed., University of Alaska Fairbanks, 1983; M.S., Western Oregon University, 1987.

Thesis: Observable Effects of Attention, Posture, Ergonomics and Movement in the Classroom

Using quantitative and qualitative approaches, the observable effects of postural education, current state of classroom furniture, classroom arrangements and pedagogical practices in regards to student movement and learning engagement were assessed. Elementary school students and teachers' value of posture, classroom movement and engagement depended on individual teacher pedagogical practices.

Major Professor: Dr. Abel Bult-Ito

Benjamin M. Jones **

Geoscience: Interdisciplinary Program Ph.D.

B.S., University of Cincinnati, 2003; M.A., University of Cincinnati, 2006.

Thesis: Remote Sensing of Arctic Landscape Dynamics

Remote sensing provides an excellent tool for observing, documenting and better understanding landscape change in the Arctic at a variety of spatial and temporal scales. Remote sensing tools and techniques were used to study a permafrost coastline, thermokarst lakes, tundra fires and vertical surface dynamics of a coastal lowland landscape.

Major Professor: Dr. Guido Grosse

Corrine Noel Knapp **

Ph.D. Environmental Change and Human Adaptation: Interdisciplinary Program

B.A., University of Colorado - Denver, 1999; M.S., Colorado State University, 2008.

Thesis: Engaging Local Perspectives for Improved Conservation and Climate **Change Adaptation**

Climate change is a global process that has heterogeneous local impacts. This dissertation explores what local knowledge can contribute to conservation and climate adaptation planning. It highlights how perceptions influence socialecological feedbacks and how science can be more relevant to decision-makers in the context of climate change.

Major Professor: Dr. F. Stuart "Terry" Chapin III

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Mary-Cathrine Christina E. Leewis

Biological Sciences Ph.D.

B.S., Northern Michigan University, 2004; M.S., Northern Michigan University, 2006.

Thesis: Ecological Mechanisms and Effectiveness of Bioremediation in Alaska

Plant-microbe interactions are important to biogeochemical cycling and can be harnessed to bioremediate environmental contaminants. In Alaska soils, microbial community structure and functional potential were found to be driven by vegetation type, and that planting and fertilization determine the trajectories of local plant and microbial succession over the long term.

Major Professor: Dr. Mary Beth Leigh

Robert Whitfield McNabb *

Ph.D. Geophysics

B.A., Kalamazoo College, 2008.

Thesis: On the Frontal Ablation of Alaska Tidewater Glaciers

The study investigated the frontal ablation of 50 Alaska tidewater glaciers using topographic maps and Landsat imagery to derive glacier length change over the period of 1948-2012. Landsat imagery was used to derive surface velocity fields, and with estimates of ice thickness, frontal ablation for 20 Alaska tidewater glaciers.

Major Professor: Dr. Regine Hock

Hirotsugu Mori

Ph.D. Geology

B.S., Kyushu University, 2006; M.S., Brigham Young University, 2009.

Thesis: Osteology, Relationships and Paleoecology of a New Arctic Hadrosaurid (Dinosauria: Ornithopoda) from the Prince Creek Formation of Northern Alaska

Fossils from a Late Cretaceous duck-billed dinosaur from northern Alaska are described. Based on several analyses a new species of Edmontosaurus is recognized. Analysis of strontium isotopes in the teeth and bones reveals that the dinosaur did not migrate during the last four months of life.

Major Professor: Dr. Patrick Druckenmiller

Bryan Patrick Mosher

Ph.D. **Biological Sciences**

B.A., University of British Columbia, 2010.

Thesis: Intermittent Hypercapnia Induces Long-Lasting Ventilatory Plasticity to Enhance CO, Responsiveness to Overcome Dysfunction

An intermittent hypercapnia protocol induced long-term ventilatory plasticity to enhance CO₂/pH responsiveness regardless of the developmental period in which it was administered. Resulting plasticity was capable of overcoming a chronic, mild ventilatory dysfunction induced by maternal dietary tryptophan deficiency as well as an acute, profound ventilatory dysfunction induced by pharmacological blockade.

Major Professor: Dr. Michael Harris

Amelia Phillips *

Ph.D. Computer Security: Interdisciplinary Program

B.S, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1981; M.B.A., University of Phoenix, 1998.

Thesis: An Investigation of Digital Forensic Concepts in an International Environment: The U.S., South Africa, and Namibia

A qualitative study of digital evidence in the United States, South Africa and Namibia demonstrated that the only significant difference was in the privacy laws. The investigation compared constitutional, civil, criminal, privacy, evidence, hearsay and extradition law. A database prototype was generated to assist in evaluation of other common-law nations.

Major Professor: Dr. Kara Nance

David Bryan Podrasky **

Ph.D. Geophysics

B.A., University of Montana, 2006.

Thesis: Jakobshavn ISBRÆ: Velocity Variations From Hourly to Decadal Time Scales at Greenland's Fastest Tidewater Glacier

Velocity variations on Jakobshavn Isbræ, in West Greenland, occur over decadal to hourly time scales. However, the long-term evolution of speeds is driven by changes in glacier geometry, and the associated rates of ice loss have the potential to contribute significantly to sea level rise over the next century.

Major Professor: Dr. Martin Truffer

Susana Salazar Jaramillo

Ph.D. Geology

B.A., Universidad Nacional de Colombia, 2003.

Thesis: Paleoclimate and Paleoenvironment of the Prince Creek and Cantwell Formations, Alaska: Terrestrial Evidence of a Middle Maastrichtian Greenhouse Event

Data were collected from a $\sim 69.5~Ma$ radiometric age pollen analysis, clay mineral analysis and stable isotope analysis of clay minerals and organic matter to reconstruct the paleoclimate and paleoenvironment of the Prince Creek and Cantwell formations, Alaska. The data show evidence of a terrestrial Late Cretaceous greenhouse event called "The Middle Maastrichtian Event."

Major Professors: Dr. Sarah Fowell and Dr. Paul McCarthy

Grant T. Shimer *

Ph.D. Geology

B.A., Beloit College, 2003; M.S., University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2009.

Thesis: Sedimentology and Stratigraphy of the Nanushuk Formation and Related Foreland Basin Deposits, Central Brooks Range Foothills, Alaska The Cretaceous Nanushuk Formation from the North Slope of Alaska contains potential untapped hydrocarbon reservoirs. Data and observations from subsurface wells in the National Petroleum Reserve – Alaska were used to interpret the sedimentology and stratigraphy of the Nanushuk Formation in the Brooks Range foothills of the central North Slope.

Major Professor: Dr. Paul McCarthy

^{*} Summer degree recipient

Torge S. Steensen **

Ph.D. Geophysics

B.S., Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, 2007; M.S., University of Bristol, 2009.

Thesis: Satellite to Model Comparisons of Volcanic Ash Emissions in the North

Pacific

A comparative analysis of quantitative and qualitative determinations for volcanic ash emissions has been conducted using satellite remote sensing data sets and volcanic ash transport and dispersion models to enhance the near real-time forecast of volcanic ash dispersion and to mitigate potential hazards.

Major Professor: Dr. Peter Webley

Ina Timling **

Ph.D. **Biological Sciences**

M.S., University of Rostock, 1994; M.S. University of Minnesota, 2004.

Thesis: Peeking Through a Frosty Window: Molecular Insights Into the

Communities of Arctic Soil Fungi

Fungi are thought to be one of the most diverse groups of organisms in the Arctic. This research used molecular methods to explore the biodiversity and distribution patterns of soil fungal communities as well as their environmental drivers across a bioclimatic gradient in the North American Arctic.

Major Professors: Dr. Donald Walker and Dr. Lee Taylor

Trang Thu Tran *

Ph.D. **Environmental Chemistry**

B.S., Ho Chi Minh University of Natural Science, 2005; M.S., Asian Institute of Technology, 2008.

Thesis: Air Quality Degradation in Alaska Wilderness Areas Due to Emission Changes

A numerical modeling approach was used to identify the impacts of emission increases on the aerosol concentration in the wilderness areas of Alaska. This study helps policy makers plan appropriate emission control strategies to prevent air quality of wilderness areas from degrading.

Major Professor: Dr. Catherine Cahill

Barbara Lea Truessel **

Ph.D. Geophysics

M.S., Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich, 2007.

Thesis: Rapid Thinning and Collapse of Lake Calving Yukutat Glacier, Southeast Alaska

Yakutat Glacier is a low-elevation lake-calving glacier. It experienced rapid thinning between 2000-2010 and terminus retreat since the early 20th century. Starting in 2010, increased retreat was caused by the disintegration of a floating tongue into large tabular icebergs. Melt modeling showed that rapid thinning will increase in the future.

Major Professor: Dr. Martin Truffer

Shannon Renae Uffenbeck *

Ph.D. Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

B.S., University of Alaska Anchorage, 2000; M.S., University of Alaska Anchorage, 2008.

Thesis: Histone H2A-S122 is Required for Nuclear and Mitochondrial Genome Stability

Organization and maintenance of mitochondrial and nuclear genomes are vastly different, yet this research has shown that a single serine in the H2A C-terminal tail (H2A-S122) is critical for stability of both genomes in budding yeast. H2A-S122 mutation results in increased nuclear chromosome abnormalities and complete loss of the mitochondrial genome.

Major Professors: Dr. Thomas Kuhn and Dr. Jocelyn Krebs

James Joseph Willacker **

Ph.D. Biological Sciences

B.S., State University of New York, 2006; M.S., University of Alaska Anchorage, 2009.

Thesis: Ecological Drivers of Mercury Accumulation in Threespine

Stickleback Fish

This study utilized the ecological diversity of threespine stickleback fish (*Gasterosteus aculeatus*) to examine the relative importance of various biological factors in determining mercury accumulation within and between populations. There was substantial variation in the importance of individual factors; however, trophic factors were important in all groups examined.

Major Professors: Dr. Todd O'Hara and Dr. Frank von Hippel

Rebecca C. Young

Ph.D. Biological Sciences

B.S., Indiana University - Bloomington, 2007.

Thesis: Behavior, Physiology, Biological Age, and Cultural Role of Long-Lived Bering Sea Seabirds

Biological age measures progress through life, incorporating individual variation. It is a good predictor of foraging behavior in the thick-billed murre (*Uria lomvia*), strongly mediated by sex and environmental conditions. We also confirm seabirds as an important cultural resource, with economic potential, to the people of the Pribilof Islands.

Major Professor: Dr. Alexander Kitaysky

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SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Dr. Allan Morotti, Dean

Amy Elizabeth Barnsley

Mathematics Education: Interdisciplinary Program

B.S., University of Alaska Fairbanks, 1993; M.A., University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2007.

Thesis: Analysis of the Effects of Online Homework on the Achievement,

Persistence, and Attitude of Developmental Mathematics Students

An investigation of the effects of online homework on the achievement, persistence and attitude of developmental mathematics students used a matched-pair experimental design. A postsurvey was used to explore opinions of students and instructors. Special analysis was done on data from Alaska Native and nontraditional students.

Major Professor: Dr. Ute Kaden

SCHOOL OF FISHERIES AND OCEAN SCIENCES

Dr. Michael A. Castellini, Dean

Jessica Nicole Cross **

Ph.D. Oceanography: Chemical

B.S., Rhodes College, 2008.

Thesis: Carbon Biogeochemistry of the Eastern Bering Sea Shelf

Recent observations of the Bering Sea carbon cycle and anthropogenic ocean acidification processes indicate that a significant reduction in pH has caused shallow-water dissolution of carbonate minerals in some commercially valuable areas. The accumulation of anthropogenic CO₂ could cause these conditions to become widespread across this area by 2100.

Major Professor: Dr. Jeremy Mathis

Megan Jane Peterson

Ph.D. **Fisheries**

B.A., University of California - Davis, 2002; M.O., University of California - San Diego, 2007.

Thesis: Toothed Whale Interactions with Longline Fisheries in Alaska

Whale depredation occurs when whales damage/remove fish caught on fishing gear. A mixed-methods approach incorporating statistical modeling and social research evaluated spatio-temporal depredation trends, depredation effects on groundfish catches, and socio-economic implications of depredation for commercial longline fleets in western Alaska. Depredation impacted longline fishing practices and profitability.

Major Professors: Dr. Franz Mueter and Dr. Courtney Carothers

Jill-Marie Seymour

Ph.D. Marine Biology

B.A., Mills College, 2006.

Thesis: Pacific Walrus Use of Higher Trophic Level Prey and the Relation to Sea Ice Extent, Body Condition, and Trichinellosis

An investigation of walruses' (*Odobenus rosmarus divergens*) reliance on higher trophic level prey used stable isotope analysis, disease surveillance, and measurements of body condition and stress proxies to evaluate impacts to walrus health. Results suggested that there are currently no adverse effects to walruses from consuming higher trophic level prey.

Major Professor: Dr. Larissa-Ariane Horstmann-Dehn

Elizabeth Calvert Siddon *

Ph.D. Fisheries

B.S., University of New Hampshire, 2000; M.S., University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2005.

Thesis: Ecology and Energetics of Early Life Stages of Walleye Pollock in the Eastern Bering Sea: The Role of Spatial Variability Across Climatic Conditions

This dissertation examines climate-driven spatial and temporal dynamics in the ecology of early life stages of walleye pollock in the eastern Bering Sea, including patterns of community structure, prey dynamics, and physical oceanographic conditions that influence the growth and survival of this important gadoid population in a sub-arctic marine ecosystem.

Major Professor: Dr. Franz Mueter

Ellen Martinson Yasumiishi **

Ph.D. Fisheries

B.S., University of Alaska Southeast, 1996; M.S., University of Idaho, 2004.

Thesis: Growth of Chum Salmon in Relation to Population Abundance and Climate in the Eastern North Pacific Ocean and the Recruitment of Pollock in the Eastern Bering Sea

Size at maturity of chum salmon was linked to growth during the immature stages in offshore waters of the North Pacific Ocean. Growth varied with both climate variability and fish production. Growth of chum salmon captured in the pollock fishery and summer sea temperature were indicators for age-1 pollock recruitment.

Major Professor: Dr. Keith Criddle

^{*} Summer degree recipient

SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

Dr. Stephen D. Sparrow, Interim Dean

Cindy E. Fabbri *

Ph.D. Natural Resources and Sustainability

B.A., Miami University, 1994; M.Ed., University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2002.

Thesis: A Model for Sustainability Science in Higher Education: Water Research, Science and Sustainability Literacy, and Community Adaptive Capacity Conceptual and applied models that emphasize the integration of research, learning and community for implementing sustainability science were developed. The applied model was examined and found to be effective in generating knowledge about freshwater systems and increasing students' science and sustainability literacy. The model also slightly enhanced community adaptive capacity.

Major Professor: Dr. Elena Sparrow

Susan Ferguson Loshbaugh

Environmental History: Interdisciplinary Program

B.A., Carleton College, 1976; M.S., University of Minnesota - Twin Cities, 1981.

Thesis: The History of Land Use on Alaska's Kenai River and its Implications for **Sustaining Salmon**

Environmental history and landscape analysis showed that development near Kenai, Soldotna and Sterling threatens the Kenai River's famous salmon. Delayed effects may mask past damage from bygone boom years. Now strong community stewardship offers hope that Alaskans will learn from mistakes elsewhere and preserve critical fish habitat.

Major Professors: Dr. Susan Todd and Dr. Falk Huettmann

DR. KATHLEEN M. BUTLER-HOPKINS

Professor of Music, Emeritus

Dr. Kathleen M. Butler-Hopkins has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1979 to 2014.

She has been a widely admired and sought-after instructor whose methods and care in instruction have garnered her the College of Liberal Arts Excellence in Teaching Award and the Alaska American String Teachers Association String Teacher of the Year.

She has taught a range of undergraduate and graduate courses; and has formally advised dozens of undergraduate and undergraduate students during her tenure at the University; and has further served as mentor to countless young musicians in her role as concertmaster and accompanist.

She has an exemplary record of service to the University and the music community, having offered her insights, opinions and expertise in a variety of contexts, from participation on departmental committees to leadership in many community organizations such as the Fairbanks Symphony Orchestra, the Fairbanks Choral Arts Orchestra and the Fairbanks Suzuki Institute.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Kathleen M. Butler-Hopkins for her extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

MR. MIKE DAVIS

Associate Professor of Rural Development, Emeritus

Mr. Mike Davis has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching and public service from 1996 to 2014.

He has taught nearly two dozen rural development courses and has helped expand that program in Southwest Alaska; has helped implement a master of arts degree program in rural development, whereby graduate classes can be offered in conjunction with undergraduate classes; and has further served as a dedicated advisor to undergraduate and graduate students alike.

He has organized and led a variety of governmental and leadership seminars in Juneau, Barrow, Bethel, Dillingham and Unalaska such that students witnessed firsthand the confluence of local and traditional knowledge, environmental change and development in the northern latitudes, and the legislative process.

He has served ably in administrative and leadership roles at the University, notably as a member of the Faculty Senate for many years, and has initiated a variety of community-based classes whose wide-ranging topics demonstrate a keen understanding of the needs and interests of the region, such as set netting, tribal management and youth leadership.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. Mike Davis for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

DR. S. CRAIG GERLACH

Professor of Cross-Cultural Studies. Emeritus

WHEREAS Dr. S. Craig Gerlach has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1988 to 2013.

He focused considerable attention on teaching and graduate program development activities, brought extensive expertise in sustainable development to bear in master's and doctoral degree programs, and mentored master's and doctoral degree candidates through the completion of their programs by serving as chair or member of their thesis or dissertation committee.

His research on food systems and sustainable livelihoods has attracted attention throughout Alaska and beyond, and synthesizes information from diverse sources to formulate provocative and productive insights into the cultural manifestations of human behavior, much of which has significant implications for University programs; and success in securing external funding supported his graduate students' own research efforts, primarily in high-latitude food systems.

He has been exceptionally productive in public service, thereby bringing prestige to the University through his many roles as presenter, peer reviewer, board member, consultant and volunteer with a remarkable range of entities, from local concerns to distinguished international organizations and institutions.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. S. Craig Gerlach for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

MR. ROBERT F. GORMAN

Professor of Extension. Emeritus

Mr. Robert F. Gorman has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching and public service from 1991 to 2014.

He has been an outstanding UAF Cooperative Extension Service employee through his teaching activity and public service, having made numerous public presentations and written or revised many publications that will remain in use by Extension clientele for years to come.

He has been lauded as a problem-solver for citizens in Southeast Alaska and a person with special expertise in grant programs in rural Alaska in general, and in so doing has created a following of thousands of Alaskans who consider the Cooperative Extension Service and the University as reliable sources of fact-based information.

He has been a dedicated mentor to junior faculty, providing valuable career advice to many who have subsequently become tenured Extension faculty, and has served admirably as Program Chair for the Land Resources Program and the Natural Resources and Community Development Program, leading them, with grace and efficacy during periods of difficulty, to the success evident in the shape of the Cooperative Extension Service today.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. Robert F. Gorman for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

DR. JOHN R. HOPKINS

Professor of Music, Emeritus

Dr. John R. Hopkins has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1979 to 2014.

He has worked diligently with numerous vocal students, many of whom have won vocal competitions in Alaska and have, within the past decade alone, finished in first, second or third place at national competitions; and has similarly extended his pedagogical skills to members of the music community at large.

He has been the acting Director and Conductor of the Choir of the North for thirty-five years; was in 1992 the founding Director and Conductor of the Alaska Camerata, which has toured to Washington, D.C., and twice to Europe; and has offered significant support to local music and cultural events through his direction, conducting or other expertise.

He served for a decade as Chair of the Department of Music, during which time he oversaw the crucial rebuilding of the Department as it underwent extensive changes; oversaw the successful accreditation of the Department in 1999; and has in many other capacities offered his leadership and counsel on a variety of administrative tasks necessary to the success of the Department as a center for teaching, scholarship and performance.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. John R. Hopkins for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

DR. JERRY MCBEATH

PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, EMERITUS

Dr. Jerry McBeath has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1976 to 2014.

He has been a driving force in the establishment of a Political Science program that attracts and retains excellent students, provides rigorous training in political and social inquiry, and has prepared students for productive careers in government, public administration, business, education, journalism and civil society organizations at the local, state, national and international levels.

He has been a pioneer among teachers and researchers in government and politics in Alaska and the circumpolar North; has co-authored the only textbook on Alaska government and politics currently in print; has continued his study of Asian politics and culture; and has produced numerous scholarly, peer-reviewed books, articles and book chapters in areas as diverse as East Asian government and politics, Alaska government and politics, environmental governance and education policy.

He has had an equally diverse and impressive range of service to the University and to the local community and government; and his efforts on behalf of the University, ranging from Committee Chair to College leadership, earned him the Usibelli Award for Distinguished Service in 1993.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Jerry McBeath for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

DR. JOHN OLSON

Professor of Physics. Emeritus

Dr. John Olson has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1979 to 2014.

He has been a dedicated member of the teaching faculty of the Physics Department, teaching courses across the discipline, from introductory to graduate; and was instrumental in creating the Digital Time Series Analysis course, which continues to attract sizeable enrollments from many disciplines; and was likewise a significant force in redesigning the upper-division curriculum, which redesign resulted in the development of several new courses, all of which he presented for the first time.

He has conducted internationally recognized research in magnetospheric and ionospheric waves, and established the Geophysical Institute magnetometer array, which produces real-time data to the space physics community; and has also participated in ionospheric heating programs; and, in addition to many other research endeavors, was a co-developer of a suite of University-licensed software that allows for signal processing.

He has brought his extensive knowledge of both science and academia to bear on a variety of University and scientific activities, including, but hardly limited to, search committees, faculty governance, and presentations at local, national and international conferences and lectures.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. John Olson for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

DR. GORDON LEE PULLAR

Associate Professor of Rural Development, Emeritus

Dr. Gordon Lee Pullar has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1992 to 2014.

He has been a thoughtful and persistent teacher and mentor for untold numbers of students, encouraging them to identify and achieve their personal and educational goals, such that many rural Alaskans and Alaska Natives in leadership positions throughout the State can identify him as among their champions.

His research has broadened our understanding of Alaska's rich indigenous knowledge base and has brought new knowledge in the form of publications related to cultural identity, cultural revitalization, Alaska Natives, archaeology and repatriation; and whose extensive findings led to his being the first recipient of the Angayuqaq Oscar Kawagley Indigenous Scholar Award in recognition of his exemplary contributions to articulating the significance of indigenous knowledge systems.

His expertise in indigenous issues has made him an excellent public servant in his many and varied roles in tribal and regional government, cultural and community development organizations, and he has made significant contributions to and held leadership roles within prestigious international entities.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Gordon Lee Pullar for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

DR. KENNETH SASSEN

PROFESSOR OF ATMOSPHERIC SCIENCES, EMERITUS

Dr. Kenneth Sassen has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 2002 to 2014.

He has been a highly regarded teacher and mentor to students, who have benefitted tremendously from his breadth of expertise and his recognition that complex systems require complex, multidisciplinary and collaborative approaches.

He has been a pioneer in applying the polarization lidar technique to the remote sensing of clouds in the high latitudes; and, rather than restricting himself to a narrow specialization, has taken a broad approach to his field, making contributions in satellite, radiometer, radar and lidar studies, but always with a view toward meteorological discovery; and has conducted extensive and extremely thorough and innovative research, making him one of the most often-cited atmospheric scientists in the world.

He has been instrumental in establishing or expanding the research and educational capacities in the Atmospheric Sciences program at the University, including writing the rules for comprehensive examination in the master's and doctoral programs, overseeing the addition of one research and three faculty positions, leading or establishing research groups, and providing leadership in a variety of prestigious professional organizations.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Kenneth Sassen for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

MR. FRED E. SORENSEN

PROFESSOR OF EXTENSION, EMERITUS

Mr. Fred E. Sorensen served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1987 to 2014.

He has been a highly regarded instructor during his many years of teaching courses in a variety of settings and on a vast range of subjects, including, but hardly limited to, home gardening, water quality and invasive pests, thereby providing untold numbers of Alaskans research-based information they can apply to improve the safety, quality and enjoyment of their lives; and was for ten years on Kodiak Island the sole Cooperative Extension agent.

He worked enthusiastically as Cooperative Extension's water quality specialist, collaborating with faculty in the western United States to secure millions of dollars of grant funding for public programs; co-authored numerous publications; and compiled and distributed national water-quality resources and organized national meetings and conferences.

He has mentored junior faculty and program assistants, served on numerous University and Extension committees, including the Unit Criteria Review Committee, whose efforts included strengthening the scholarship of engagement; and provided statewide leadership for Extension's Integrated Pest Management program.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. Fred E. Sorensen for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

DR. TERRY E. WHITLEDGE

PROFESSOR OF MARINE SCIENCE, EMERITUS

Dr. Terry E. Whitledge has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1998 to 2014.

He has taught a variety of oceanography courses throughout his career; and has guided a number of graduate students by serving as a committee chair or committee member; and has served as a mentor to those students as they launched successful careers of their own.

Dr. Whitledge, whose research has focused primarily on nutrient cycling, eutrophication and marine ecosystem dynamics on the continental shelves of North and South America and Africa; has examined carbon, harmful algal blooms and eutrophication of coastal seas associated with anthropogenic nutrient enrichment; and has been a pioneer in the use of autonomous nutrient analyzers, providing unprecedented time series of spatial and temporal changes in nitrate concentrations on Alaska's shelves; and has published more than one hundred peer-reviewed articles, one of which was a nominee for the NOAA Outstanding Scientific Paper Award.

He has provided outstanding service at the local, state and national levels and has been a vigorous promoter of Russian-U.S. scientific research collaborations, which also required him to acquire a nuanced understanding of the political issues surrounding such collaborations.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Terry E. Whitledge for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

DR. FRANK L. WILLIAMS

DIRECTOR OF THE ARCTIC REGION SUPERCOMPUTING CENTER. EMERITUS

Dr. Frank L. Williams has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction from 1992 to 2014.

He served for more than fifteen years as Director of the Arctic Region Supercomputing Center with great energy and distinction, assuming that leadership role at a time that the Center was experiencing significant funding and organizational pressure, its future far from certain, and thereafter re-energized support for the Center such that it became one of the most respected regional supercomputing centers in the United States.

Dr. Williams, through outstanding management and personnel development, attracted a cadre of dozens of professionals, including some of the University's best and brightest technical workers; and gained and stewarded outside grants and funding that enabled the rapid growth of scientific productivity among the Center's many users.

Dr. Williams, in overseeing the development of a rich and varied suite of services offered by the Center, opened up its resources not only to students, staff and faculty at the University but also to individuals associated with educational institutes and research units throughout the world, thereby strengthening not only the prestige of the University but also the collaborative opportunities across disciplines and borders.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Frank L. Williams for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

MS. MIRANDA HILDEBRAND WRIGHT

DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ALASKA NATIVE STUDIES AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT, EMERITUS

Ms. Miranda Hildebrand Wright has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching and public service from 2002 to 2014.

She has been a highly respected, sought-after teacher whose careful instruction and respectful mentorship in her undergraduate and graduate courses in rural and community development continue to inspire her former students as they pursue higher education and professional careers.

Her nuanced understanding of the academic processes of the University, the educational needs of students, and the cultural, economic and development needs of rural Alaska has contributed to her success as an administrator overseeing the merger of the Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development programs and in developing academic programs and courses that address the needs of students and the State.

She has helped build a bridge between the University and the Native community by encouraging new relationships and strengthening old ones; and has been a valued participant on several University committees; and has, as an active member of the community in both formal and informal settings, encouraged students to forge their own path through higher education.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Ms. Miranda Hildebrand Wright for her extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University.

Honorary Doctor of Science



Prolific, innovative and insightful wildlife **BIOLOGIST**

RODNEY BOERTJF

During more than thirty years with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Rodney Boertje's remarkable research laid a foundation for the understanding of wildlife ecology in Interior Alaska, allowing today's managers to approach decisions with sound, science-based information.

Mr. Boertje, born in Oskaloosa, Iowa, earned degrees in Minnesota and Louisiana before arriving in 1978 at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, where he earned a master's degree in wildlife management in 1981. He immediately began work for the State of Alaska as a technician, a pilot, a biologist and, most importantly, a scientist. During his employment for the State, he published an average of one scientific paper per year, making him one of the most prolific biologists ever employed by the department. Meanwhile, he also actively participated in the regulatory process and advised UAF students. Though he has retired to Texas, he continues to work on additional publications based upon his research.

Mr. Boertje's high-quality, unique research delivered essential information about how moose and caribou affect and interact with their natural habitats. The work led to scientifically based rules that guide the ages and types of animals that may be hunted. Mr. Boertje and his colleagues also offered key insights into the relationships between Interior Alaska's large predators — wolves and bears — and their prey — moose and caribou. His studies, featuring rigorous design and state-of-the-art analytical techniques, brought indispensable facts to debates about control and management of these wildlife species. Biologists whose opinions on these matters fall across a wide spectrum have lauded the quality of Mr. Boertje's work, his integrity and his objectivity.

Mr. Boertje has greatly advanced the science of wildlife ecology. His legacy of excellence in research continues to directly benefit the hundreds of thousands of Alaskans and visitors who hunt, watch and value Alaska's wildlife.

Honorary Doctor of Laws



DEDICATED ADVOCATE FOR ALASKA NATIVE PEOPLES

JULIE KITKA

As president of the Alaska Federation of Natives for the past twenty-four years, Julie Kitka has used her thoughtful, persistent and positive voice to draw individuals and organizations together to advance the interests of Alaska's first peoples. With the help of her advocacy,

Alaska Natives today have greater opportunities and can more successfully enjoy a blend of modern and traditional ways.

Ms. Kitka was born in Cordova. Her father, a Chugach Eskimo, worked for the newspaper; her mother, who came from Kansas, served as a hospital nurse. The family moved to Washington State, but Ms. Kitka returned to Alaska as a young woman determined to help her fellow Native residents. In 1981, she earned a business degree and went to work for AFN as a bookkeeper. Within a decade, she was the organization's president.

Through AFN and numerous other organizations, Ms. Kitka has worked creatively to meet the challenges faced by Alaska Native peoples. Her abiding passion has been to give Alaska Natives a meaningful voice in decisions. Toward that end, her first goal often is to get a seat at the table — whether the table is in Bethel, Juneau, Washington, D.C., or beyond. From there, Ms. Kitka addresses challenges with optimism and persistence. She pulls people and organizations together with her focus and hopeful vision.

During her time at AFN, Ms. Kitka has had a hand in strengthening Native shareholders' control of their corporations, expanding government contracting with those corporations, securing subsistence hunting and fishing preferences for rural residents, and ensuring respect for legal commitments made to Alaska Natives. Between these endeavors, she organized major conferences on topics such as economic development in villages, renewable energy, and hunting and fishing rights.

Honorary Doctor of Laws



Alaska Native Leader and Wisdom bearer

ROBERT NICK

Robert Nick has an impressive and extensive record of service in Alaska in rural education, public housing, small business, health research, Alaska Native political organization and legislation, and economic development. Born in Bethel to a family of strong, communityminded individuals, Mr. Nick grew up in the village of Nunapitchuk and throughout Akulmiut, the tundra basin

encompassing the drainage of Anarciq, or the Johnson River. With his family, he participated in the annual round of subsistence hunting, fishing, gathering and trapping activities.

Mr. Nick's decades of service began with his election to the Nunapitchuk City Council in 1963, and for thirty years he owned and operated a store there. Many important regional and statewide organizations and concerns bear his mark, as he was often a board member and even co-founder of many entities that have become fixtures of Alaska's business and political life, including the Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation, the Calista Corporation and the Alaska Federation of Natives.

Throughout his service in a variety of leadership roles at the State and regional levels, Mr. Nick has been tireless in sharing his knowledge as one steeped in Yup'ik language and traditions. His widely read columns in the Delta Discovery reinforce traditional values in a variety of contemporary contexts, and his writings reveal, discuss and pass on vital aspects of Yup'ik culture. He possesses deep knowledge of his culture, not merely surface features. With his ability to engage in scholarly work from a Yup'ik perspective and to work effectively in bureaucratic as well as community settings, Mr. Nick has been invaluable in expanding knowledge and understanding that bridge traditional and Western ways of knowing.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD



GLENN HACKNEY

For decades, Mr. Glenn Hackney's dedication to the State of Alaska has been the epitome of public and community service. In his role as a State Legislator for eight years, he was a champion for Fairbanks and the University, emphasizing the value and importance of the University to the State and the future, and its role as an economic and cultural force.

With his beloved wife, Esther, at his side for more than sixty-five years, Mr. Hackney has been a

stalwart member of the greater Fairbanks community, quietly volunteering countless hours in many capacities. He has been a common sight along Fairbanks' roadsides, a tireless crusader against litter. He has been a founding member of community organizations and served on numerous boards. On behalf of the Fairbanks Community Food Bank, Mr. Hackney has carried more than one million pounds of food to the hungry. His indefatigable cheerfulness and energy have benefited the lives and outlook of his fellow citizens in direct and indirect ways, all of them positive.

In recognition of his work to improve the quality of life for so many Alaskans, the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. Glenn Hackney and presents him with this Meritorious Service Award.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD



WILLIAM MENDENHALL

As an educator and engineer, Mr. William Mendenhall, Jr., has demonstrated meritorious service through his commitment to classroom teaching, to professional and public service, and to engineering excellence. In each of these areas, he has set a standard all University faculty should strive to achieve.

A Fairbanksan for more than sixty years, Mr. Mendenhall helped establish the Greater Fairbanks Community Hospital Foundation, on

whose board he still sits, and he has volunteered for an impressive number and variety of civic and government organizations. As a professional engineer, Mr. Mendenhall was instrumental in developing more-accurate mapping procedures for high latitudes. Perhaps his greatest form of service, however, can be seen in the countless students he cajoled, counseled and ultimately inspired to complete their studies and to dedicate their own careers to building new foundations for future generations.

In recognition of his teaching, mentorship and public service, the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. William W. Mendenhall, Jr., and presents him with this Meritorious Service Award.

ALASKA FLAG SONG

Music by Elinor Dusenbury • Words by Marie Drake and Carol Beery Davis

(with a martial air)

Eight stars of gold on a field of blue, Alaska's flag
May it mean to you the blue of the sea, the ev'ning sky
The mountain lakes and the flow'rs nearby
The gold of the early sourdough's dreams
The precious gold of the hills and streams
The brilliant stars in the northern sky
The "Bear," the "Dipper" and shining high
The great North star with its steady light
O'er land and sea a beacon bright
Alaska's flag to Alaskans dear
The simple flag of a last frontier

A Native lad chose the Dipper's stars
For Alaska's flag that there be no bars
Among our culture. Let it be known
Through years the Native's past has grown.
To share life's treasures, hand in hand,
To keep Alaska our Great-Land;
We love the northern midnight sky,
The mountains, lakes, and streams nearby.
The great North Star with its steady light
Will guide all cultures, clear and bright,
With Alaska's flag to Alaskans dear,
The simple flag of the last frontier.



ACADEMIC TRADITIONS

For centuries, pomp and circumstance have added color and dignity to the recognition of scholastic achievement. Modern academic dress evolved from caps and gowns worn in medieval universities, which were agencies of the church. Academic gowns distinguished university personnel from townspeople who also wore gowns for daily dress. The costumes of doctors and lesser clerics were not as elaborate as those prescribed for officials, but they were distinctive nonetheless. Through the centuries, the traditional pageantry has not changed much. In ancient times, each individual scholar wore special colors, fur and fabrics, as did his students. Since the traditions began, however, official standards allow the observer to identify more about the scholar.

Gowns

Three types of black gowns may be distinguished in UAF's academic procession. Certificate, associate and baccalaureate gowns have long, pointed sleeves. Master's gowns have oblong sleeves with an arc cut away in the front. Doctoral gowns are faced with velvet and have bell-shaped sleeves with three bars of velvet.

Hoods

UAF's master's and doctoral degree candidates will receive their hoods today, signifying they have gone beyond the bachelor's degree to a higher level of academic achievement. UAF's colors are blue and gold, and these colors line the inside of each hood. The velvet trim signifies the scholar's field of study.

Mortarboards

The square Oxford cap, or mortarboard, is black and has a long tassel fastened to the middle of the top. You may notice the University of Alaska regents and some of the faculty wearing soft beret-style caps. Some colleges and universities use the soft beret, but the prevailing style of cap is the traditional mortarboard. For undergraduates receiving their first degree, the tassel is customarily worn on the right side and shifted to the left after receiving the diploma. At many institutions, colored tassels are worn to indicate the candidate's school or college. At UAF, a blue and gold tassel is worn on the cap for all certificates and associate, baccalaureate and master's degrees, and gold tassels are worn for all doctoral degrees.

While you may not be able to identify the origins of each specific academic robe and hood appearing in today's commencement ceremony, you can reflect that from the certificate recipient in a simple black gown to the doctor of philosophy in a velvet trimmed robe and colorful hood, students and professors alike are paying homage to more than 700 years of academic tradition.

An academic legend tells of a wise old Greek who dressed his students in mason's sackcloth robes and mortarboards because, he said, "Their destiny is to build. Some will build cities; some will build lives — perhaps one of them will build an empire; but all will be builders on the solid foundation of knowledge."

CHANCELLOR'S MEDALLION

During the Middle Ages, medallions signified membership in religious orders and workers' guilds and, in the Renaissance, membership in elite orders of knighthood and prominence in government office. Today, colleges and universities strike medallions to commemorate important events and achievements or to designate a person of consequence. The UAF chancellor's medallion signifies the authority vested in the chancellor.

Fabricated in bronze by Judie Gumm of Ester, Alaska, in 1991, the chancellor's medallion depicts the University of Alaska seal featuring Mount McKinley, with the addition of a cluster of forget-me-nots — the state flower — at the bottom and a ribbon of aurora borealis across the sky. The medallion is held by a beaded neckpiece in a forget-me-not pattern made by Selina Alexander in the Koyukon Athabascan style. The central cord is made of tanned moosehide, covered with beads sewn together one by one and then sewn to the cord. The medallion was commissioned by Chancellor Patrick J. O'Rourke in his last year of office to reflect the Alaska roots and cultural diversity of the university's students.

University Mace

Bodyguards of French and English monarchs carried ceremonial war clubs, or maces, in the Middle Ages. Later, the mace became an important symbol of office in civil processions and academic pageantry. The grand marshal carries the University of Alaska mace in the commencement procession and places it in a stand on the stage during commencement ceremonies to signify the importance of the occasion.

The mace was commissioned by the University of Alaska Alumni Association in honor of the university's 1967 Golden Anniversary, and was created by UAF Professor Ron Senungetuk using silver, jade and rosewood. At the top of the mace, a disk in the center of two open orbs depicts the University of Alaska seal on one side and the Alaska state seal on the other. The materials were selected to symbolize qualities of durability, strength and beauty.