

UAF Special Academic Program Review 2014-2015 Final Cabinet Decisions

The following changes are the result of an extensive academic special review process which examined programs selected for review based on the following criteria:

- Being among the lowest enrollment programs of their type
 - Certificate, associate, baccalaureate, graduate
- Decreasing enrollment of more than 30 percent in the past five years
- Being among the lowest number of graduates in the past three years for programs of their type

As required by UAF's accrediting organization, UAF will make arrangements for all currently enrolled students to complete their programs in a timely fashion. Affected students are encouraged to work closely with an advisor to develop a plan to complete their degrees and certificates. UAF still maintains more than 180 programs to provide a variety of degree options for students, including degrees in some of the disciplines that are losing a degree program. In sections where program enrollment is suspended, new students will be encouraged to select an available program in similar areas of interest.

Category 1 - Program will be discontinued: UAF will teach out current students and make program reductions over time.
Chemistry MA (Chemistry MS would continue to be offered)
Engineering Management MS
Science Management MS
Music BA (Music BM and Music Education BM would continue to be offered)
Philosophy BA
Sociology BS (Sociology BA would continue to be offered)
Category 2 - Program will suspend admission and merge/consolidate: Programs will be merged or consolidated with other existing programs to achieve efficiencies or cost savings.
Arctic Engineering MS (merge into Civil Engineering concentration)
Electrical Engineering MEE (combine with Electrical Engineering MS, as a non-thesis option)
Environmental Engineering MS (merge into Civil Engineering concentration)
Category 3 - Program will suspend admission: Programs will undergo a further administrative review to evaluate the cost vs. benefit of reopening enrollment.
Dental Hygiene AAS
Music MM
Power Generation Certificate
Category 4 - Program will merge and/or substantially redesign itself to attract new students: Programs will have up to six months to create a plan. If approved, programs will be permitted to make changes. If an approved plan is not in place, programs will suspend admission effective Dec. 31, 2015.
Journalism BA and Theatre BA
Geography BA
Category 5 - Program will implement a plan to recruit/retain more students and/or garner more external financial support: Program plans are due Dec. 1, 2015. Admissions will be suspended if an acceptable plan is not submitted. Programs will be given up to two years (December 2017) to evaluate whether enrollment is growing and/or external support is increased. If, at that time, improvements are not achieved, UAF may further review or suspend admission, as needed.
Chemistry BA (in support of a Secondary Education BA)
Cross Cultural Studies MA
Environmental Quality Science MS
Geography BS
Linguistics BA
Mathematics BA (in support of a Secondary Education BA)
Statistics MS and Graduate Certificate
Automotive Technology Certificate
Dental Assisting AAS and Certificate
Drafting Tech AAS and Drafting Tech Certificate
Instrument Tech Certificate (potential redesign into a single Process Technology related certificate)
Safety Health Environment Tech (potential redesign into a single Process Technology related certificate)

Category 6 - Programs still under review:

Active improvement plan is in progress, results will be shared at a later date. UAF is working to preserve programs integral to research efforts or unique to the university mission including support of Alaska and its cultures.

Community Health Certificate and AAS

Native Language Education Certificate and AAS

Yup'ik Language Proficiency Certificate and AAS

Inupiaq Eskimo BA

Yup'ik Eskimo BA

Yup'ik Language and Culture BA

Geological Engineering MS

Mineral Preparation Engineering MS

Mining Engineering MS

Physics MS

Physics Ph.D.

Space Physics Ph.D.

Degree Key:

AAS: Associate of Applied Science

BS: Bachelor of Science

MS: Master of Science

MM: Master of Music

BM: Bachelor of Music

BA: Bachelor of Arts

MA: Master of Arts

MEE: Master of Electrical Engineering

Ph.D.: Doctor of Philosophy