Memorandum

To: Academic Deans and advisors

From: Anupma Prakash, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor

Re: Advising Holds

Date: May 4, 2023

Advisors play a critical role in promoting student success and retention. Consistent connections with advisors help students locate campus resources, formulate their short and long term goals in college, overcome barriers to success, and ensure they are on track to graduate. Advising at UAF is more than a series of transactions; often students’ relationships with their advisors are among the most meaningful connections formed during their college experience. Recently, UAF has moved from advising pins to advising holds for student registration.

Going forward UAF will not have blanket advising holds except for the following groups of students:

- International students
- Student athletes
- Students on academic warning, probation or academic disqualification
- Students in programs with special accreditation requirements (ABET, CAEP, CACREP)
- Students in all undergraduate programs up to 30 credits
- Undeclared/exploratory students until declaration of major
- Pre-major until approved for admission to major
- Students enrolled in Student Support Services to adhere to the grant requirement
- North Star College students

There will be no holds after 60 credits, no holds for non-degree seeking students, and no holds for graduate students with the exception of the groups identified above. Students should still meet with their advisor each semester. This absence of holds does not supplant the need for students to meet with their advisors as they are planning their classes.