The UAF Faculty Senate tabled the following at Meeting #199, May 5, 2014:

MOTION:

The Curricular Affairs Committee moves that the Faculty Senate submit the following changes to the UAF baccalaureate requirements for a faculty vote of approval:

Each student must complete a capstone course or experiential learning opportunity (e.g. internship) in student's major or program (0 - 3 credits). It will be the responsibility of each Department, Program, and (or) College/School to create, deliver, evaluate, and assess their capstone experience.

Effective: Upon approval by faculty vote

Rationale: This change is proposed in support of satisfying UAF's Learning outcome #4:

"Integrate and apply learning, including synthesis and advanced accomplishment across general and specialized studies, adapting them to new settings, questions, and responsibilities, and forming a foundation for lifelong learning. Preparation will be demonstrated through production of a creative or scholarly project that requires broad knowledge, appropriate technical proficiency, information collection, synthesis, interpretation, presentation, and reflection."

Many UAF Departments and Programs currently have baccalaureate capstone experience requirements; the purpose of this change is to create a UAF-wide requirement. We envision this proposed change as not adding a significant burden to UAF faculty and students.
