

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION

When to Apply

Admission application deadlines:

- August 15, 2017 – Fall 2017 Semester
- December 15, 2017 – Spring 2018 Semester
- May 1, 2018 – Summer 2018 Semester
- August 15, 2018 – Fall 2018 Semester

How to Apply

1. **Choose a degree program and major**
2. **Apply online: Apply to UAS!** (https://university-alaska.force.com/UAS/Portal_Login)
3. **Pay non-refundable application fee:**

\$40 – Certificates, Associate degree program

\$50 – Bachelor degree program

4. **Submit Official Transcripts¹:**

Transcripts must be received in a sealed envelope or electronically from the issuing institution to be considered official. Transcripts received opened, faxed or photo copied are not official.

High School transcripts/General Education Development (GED)

Certificate: All certificate or degree seeking students with fewer than 30 semester credit hours must submit official high school or GED transcripts.

Home School transcripts: Home-schooled students who have gone through a state certified program must submit official transcripts. Students who have not gone through a state certified program must submit GED transcripts.

College transcripts: All certificate and degree seeking students who have an academic record from one or more post secondary institutions must arrange for their official college or university transcripts to be sent directly to UAS in a sealed envelope or electronically from the original institution(s). Transcripts from all colleges or universities must be submitted, failure to disclose all post secondary institutions where the student has an academic record will result in denied admission.

5. **Submit Test Results**

Students applying to a bachelor's degree are required to submit official test results from ACT or SAT I examinations. Test scores received from ACT, CollegeBoard, or listed on official high school transcripts are considered official.

Alaska High School Students - ACT/SAT scores are required to be considered for the Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS).

¹ Students applying to all UAS campuses must send admission documents to the Juneau campus. Official transcripts are not required from other schools within the UA system.

Returning Students

Degree seeking students who have enrolled in classes for at least one semester and have not attended another institution outside of the University of Alaska (UA) system may remain in their degree programs for up to two years without attending UAS. If the student attends another institution or is absent for more than two years, the student needs to reapply for admission, including paying the application fee.

Students are required to notify the Admissions Office if they have attended another institution outside of the University of Alaska (UA) system.

Active Duty military or reservist who seek re-admission into their program that was interrupted due to a military service obligation, will be granted admissions without paying another admissions fee.

Fresh Start GPA Program

A former University of Alaska Southeast undergraduate who returns to UAS after a minimum of three years will have the opportunity to petition to begin a new cumulative GPA, also known as a Fresh Start GPA.

Petitions for a Fresh Start GPA must be completed as part of the admissions process. The Fresh Start is declared provisionally at the point of admission, but not awarded permanently until the student has started and completed 12 credits of academic study with a cumulative GPA of 2.50 (C+) or higher for those 12 credits.

When the Fresh Start GPA is permanently declared, all previous UAS grades and credits earned more than three years prior to the current admission date are excluded from consideration for UAS degree requirements. **It is not possible to select some grades and credits to exclude while retaining others.** Only UAS grades and credits will be excluded.

After the Fresh Start GPA is declared the transcript will state that the cumulative GPA shown is a Fresh Start GPA. The old grades will remain on the transcript, but are not used to calculate the cumulative GPA. Courses passed but excluded by the Fresh Start GPA may not be used to meet University graduation requirements. A student may be allowed to advanced standing or a waiver of requirements just as any non-Fresh Start student, but will not be allowed credit by examination for courses lost through the use of the Fresh Start GPA program.

Students who elect to use the Fresh Start GPA do not qualify for certificate or degree-based honors but would qualify for semester-based awards for grade point average.

A student may begin a Fresh Start GPA only once. Students wishing to petition for a Fresh Start GPA should contact the Registrar's Office to initiate the process.

Undergraduate Admission Requirements

Admission to Occupational Endorsements

To qualify for admission to an occupational endorsement (O.E.) a student **must** submit an online Occupational Endorsement application before the end of the second week of instruction. Students completing an occupational endorsement must submit an application for graduation form. Completion of the application form helps ensure that the student has completed required courses and that the award is properly recorded on the student's transcript.

Some occupational endorsement programs have additional requirements, selective admission criteria or limited space, students should see an advisor for more information.

Students seeking occupational endorsements are not required to submit transcripts or test scores except as required for placement in certain courses or programs.

NOTE: Occupational Endorsements are not eligible to receive financial aid, however some scholarship support may be available.

Admission to Certificates and Associate Degrees

To qualify for admission to a certificate or associate degree program¹, applicants must satisfy at least one of the following:

1. Have graduated from an accredited high school or state certified home school program with a grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.00 (C), or
2. Have successfully completed the GED, or
3. Have completed at least 30 college semester credits with a grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.00 (C) and are at least 18 years old.

Admission to Bachelor Degrees

To qualify for admission to a bachelor's degree program¹, applicants must satisfy at least one of the following:

1. Graduate from an accredited high school with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00, pass a high school core curriculum,² and complete either the SAT or ACT; or
2. Graduate from an accredited high school with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.50, pass a high school core curriculum,² or 955 on the SAT. UAS will continue to accept test scores of 1290 from the previous version of the SAT.; or
3. Completion of at least 30 college level semester credits with a GPA of at least 2.00 and a high school diploma or GED; or
4. Completion of at least 60 college-level semester credits with a GPA of at least 2.00

¹ Certain programs have additional requirements. Please see program listing for specific requirements.

² UAS defines a high school core curriculum as four years of English, social studies, math, and science or four years of English and social studies, three years of math and science, and two years of an Alaska Native and other languages.

Please note: Students who do not qualify for admission to a bachelor's degree program may be admitted to an associate's degree program.

Undergraduate Admission Status

Admit Clear

Applicants who submit all required paperwork for admissions and meet admissions requirements will be admitted in good standing.

Admit on Probation

Applicants who may not meet the minimum GPA requirements for regular admission to undergraduate study but show the potential for college work may be considered for probationary admission. Students admitted on probation must achieve a cumulative GPA at or above a 2.00 (C) at the end of the first semester in order to remain in a degree program (including withdrawals). Students admitted on probation who do not

meet the 2.00 GPA requirement at the end of the first semester will be removed from their academic program.

Denied Admission

Students who do not meet the admission requirements may be denied admission for that semester. Denied students are encouraged to complete 12.0 credits with a cumulative GPA at or above a 2.00 (C), after which they can reapply for admission and may then be admitted on probation.

Students may petition a Denied Admission status by completing a Petition form and submitting to the Registrar's Office which will be reviewed by the UAS Petition Committee.

Request to Postpone

Students who submitted an application but did not attend classes during that semester may defer his or her application once for up to one year. All students must submit a Postponement form to the Admissions Office before the first day of final exams of the semester their application was submitted. Students granted a waiver for the initial application fee are not allowed to postpone, but must reapply. **Students who do not submit a Postponement form will have their application withdrawn and will be required to reapply, including paying the application fee.**

Transfer Students

Admission Requirements

A transfer applicant who has attended an accredited institution is eligible for admission provided the applicant has earned a 2.00 (C) cumulative grade point average (GPA) in previous college work.

Transfer Credit Policies

UAS reserves the right to reject work of doubtful quality, to require an examination before credit is allowed, or to determine applicability to GERs and program requirements.

Transfer credit equivalents vary among semester, unit and quarter universities. UAS converts quarter credits to semester credits automatically. The standard formula for quarter hour conversion is: # quarter hours x 0.667 = # semester hours. Example: 5 quarter hours x 0.667 = 3.34 semester hours.

Courses equated to UAS courses that are short 1.00 credits or less will meet UAS course requirements without requiring a petition (3.34 will meet 4.00 requirement); remaining credit can be made up in electives. If more than 1.00 credit short for a course requirement, students may need to take additional credits to make up the difference.

UAS also awards credit with appropriate scores from the following:

- Advanced Placement (AP) Credit through College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB)
- International Baccalaureate (IB)
- Placement only for ACT or SAT I (English only)
- College-Level Examination Program (CLEP)
- DANTES Subject Standardized Tests
- UAS Credit by Examination

The following regulations apply to the transfer of credits:

1. UAS will perform an official evaluation of transfer credits only after a student has been admitted to an undergraduate degree or certificate program.
2. UAS will transfer only college level credit from one of the following regionally accredited institutions:
 - a. Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools
 - b. North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
 - c. New England Association of Colleges and Schools
 - d. Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges
 - e. Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
 - f. Western Association of Schools and Colleges
3. Beginning Fall 2013 college level (100 level or above) credits earned with grades of 1.70 (C-) or higher at other regionally accredited institutions normally will be accepted for transfer. Grades of D- or higher will be transferred from other University of Alaska campuses.
4. Transfer students from University of Alaska institutions having earned an Associate of Arts (AA) degree will be deemed to have met General Education Requirements (GERs) at UAS. However, some Bachelor's degrees require specific GER courses in addition to the AA program requirements.
5. A minimum of 34 semester credit hours are required for the GERs in both the AA and the Bachelor's degrees. Students transferring degree programs from the University of Alaska Anchorage or the University of Alaska Fairbanks should consult the University of Alaska General Education Transfer Guide for comparison of courses that will fulfill the GERs at UAS.
6. Transfer courses retain the course level of upper or lower division credit established at the original college or university. Graduate-level coursework can only apply to undergraduate degree programs under special circumstances with prior approval.
7. College credit is not awarded for completion of the General Education Development (GED) tests.
8. Transfer credits are not included in a student's UAS GPA computation, except to determine eligibility for graduation with honors. All grades from all schools attended will be used when determining eligibility for graduation with institutional honors.
9. Life/work experience is not accepted for evaluation as academic credit; however, the student has the option of credit by exam (<http://catalog.uas.alaska.edu/registration>).
10. Credits may be awarded for Military Experience (MOS) according to the American Council on Education (ACE) recommendations. Please contact the Registrar's Office for specific details regarding official transcripts/documents required. Copies of military personnel records can be requested from:

National Personnel Records Center
9700 Page Blvd
St. Louis, MO 63132

11. Students who have attended foreign institutions must provide an official statement of educational equivalency (official transcript evaluation in English). See International Admission Requirements for more information.

Transfer within Southeast Campuses

Students admitted to one of the UAS campuses (Juneau, Ketchikan or Sitka) may transfer to another UAS campus to attain their degree without reapplying for admission. However, admissions requirements for the new program must be met in full. **Formal notification of the transfer must be**

submitted to the Admissions Office by completing a Change of Major form.

Transfer within the UA System

In order to serve students who transfer between UAS, UAA and UAF, the three main UA institutions have identified common transferable general education requirements for their baccalaureate degrees. These include:

Category	Credit Hours
Written Communication Skills	6
Oral Communication Skills	3
Fine Arts/Humanities/Social Science	15
Quantitative Skills/Natural Sciences	10
Minimum	34

Credit for coursework successfully completed at one University of Alaska (UA) institution toward fulfillment of the general education requirements at that institution shall transfer toward fulfillment of the same categories at all other UA institutions. This applies even if there is no directly matching coursework at the institution to which the student transfers. Courses taken at other UA campuses (other than Ketchikan and Sitka) do not count toward residency credit for a UAS degree.

NOTE: Students who are admitted to UAS may enroll in courses at any of the other UA campuses without applying for admission to the other campuses.

For more information on transfer credit policies, please contact the Registrar's office at (907)796-6100.

Dual Enrollment and Students Under 18

UAS welcomes students under the age of 18 who are ready for college-level work to enroll in many of the classes that we offer under the policies described below. However, students who are under the age of 18 and have not graduated from high school or obtained a GED are ineligible for admission to a degree program and cannot receive financial aid.

Dual enrollment students

A dual enrollment student is one who is simultaneously enrolled in a high school curriculum and also is taking courses at UAS. The courses that the student takes at UAS will be used to fulfill high school graduation requirements. The purpose of dual enrollment is to provide high school students with access to coursework that is not available in Alaska high schools. Examples include academic courses that are more advanced than those offered in high schools and various vocational and technical programs that high schools are not equipped to teach.

Other under 18 students

These may be students who are enrolled in high school and are taking UAS classes, but do not intend to use the UAS classes for academic credit at their high school.

These may be students who have withdrawn from high school prior to graduation and have not completed a GED and are taking classes at UAS as non-degree seeking students.

Enrollment policies for students under 18 and dual enrollment students:

- Students must meet the same course pre-requisites that are required of other students.

- Students are required to abide by the Student Code of Conduct at all times.

Registration process for University courses:

1. Meet with an advisor from the Student Resource Center in Juneau, the Student Services Manager in Ketchikan, or Student Success Center Advisor in Sitka to discuss the goals, risks, and rewards of enrollment in college courses.
2. Take Accuplacer assessments for initial placement in math and English courses. Scores from SAT or ACT tests taken within the past year may be substituted for English courses only.
3. Submit required forms to Registrar's Office and pay tuition and fees or provide proof of other funding source. Note: Students (and their parents) are responsible for the cost of tuition, fees, books, and other required materials.

The student under 18 applicant and his/her parent or guardian understands and accepts that:

1. University work is generally much more rigorous and often much less guided than secondary course work.
2. These courses will establish a university transcript that will follow the student throughout his/her college career regardless of where the student subsequently enrolls.
3. Adult themes are endemic to university materials and discourse.
4. Students under 18 who register as a university student is fully responsible for knowing and complying with all policies and procedures of UAS.
5. UAS will not act in a parental role.

The College Connection Scholarship

The Juneau School District (JSD) sponsors the College Connection Scholarship for dual enrolled students. Students must meet all dual enrollment eligibility requirements. Funds are available on a first come-first serve basis. For more information contact one of the high school's counseling office.

NOTE: Dual enrollment courses are not eligible for Federal financial aid.

Tech Prep Career Pathways

UAS in conjunction with school districts throughout Alaska offer college level classes taught at local high schools in a variety of career fields. We combine a rigorous college curriculum offering a relevant academic program based on industry standards. Tech Prep allows high school students to start their college studies early and then transition smoothly to their college program continuing their pathway toward certification or a degree at a significant savings. Tech Prep is offered throughout Southeast Alaska for \$25 per credit hour.

This program is open to students in grades 9-12. By starting in the Tech Prep program early the student's overall cost of tuition for a degree program is significantly reduced. Students are more confident upon entering college, comfortable in knowing their academic habits are successful. Students gain an understanding of college expectations, and they are balanced in their approach toward academic, social, and athletic responsibilities.