Question: How has UAS’s Preparing Indigenous Teachers for Alaska Schools (PITAAS) program impacted teacher education outcomes?

Answer: A total of 49 people who received support from the PITAAS program graduated between FY02 and FY11. The total number of people who received support and did not graduate is not available at this time.

As of today, just over half of graduates (26 people) have completed initial teacher preparation programs, e.g. BA Elementary Education, MAT Elementary Education, MAT Secondary Education, and BA Early Childhood Education. Of these, 18 are classroom teachers and one is a school administrator. Another seven are not teaching, of whom two are known to be working in a different occupation.

Another 12 graduates completed masters programs for current certificated teachers. Of these, 11 are working as teachers or administrators in schools, and one is teaching at UAS.

Ten graduates completed a bachelor’s degree not specific to teaching, and one completed an AA degree in early childhood education. Two of the baccalaureate graduates are progressing toward a Master of Arts in Teaching.

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