Alaska EPSCoR Focuses on Four Research Focus Areas

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EPSCoR: What It Is

EPSCoR identifies and develops research ideas, and provides funding to support those ideas. The four Focus Areas are:

- **Statewide Approaches to Environmental Contaminants (SEAC)**: This area focuses on the development of new research approaches to address environmental contaminants in the Arctic.

- **Regional Approaches to Environmental Contaminants (REAC)**: This area focuses on the development of new research approaches to address environmental contaminants in the non-Arctic regions of Alaska.

- **Integrative Approaches to Environmental Contaminants (IAEC)**: This area focuses on the development of new research approaches to address environmental contaminants in both the Arctic and non-Arctic regions of Alaska.

- **Building a New Geoscience Research Infrastructure (BNR)**: This area focuses on the development of new research infrastructure to support geoscience research in Alaska.

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- **Support for Competitively Revieweed Seed Projects at UAA and UAF**: This area provides funding to support early stage research projects at the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) and the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF).

- **New Faculty Positions at UAA and UAF**: This area provides funding to support the recruitment of new faculty positions at UAA and UAF.

- **New State-of-the-Art Research Facilities**: This area provides funding to support the construction of new research facilities at UAA and UAF.

- **Statewide Videoconferencing**: This area provides funding to support statewide videoconferencing among all campuses.

- **Support for Regional Partnerships**: This area provides funding to support regional partnerships among all campuses.

- **Support for Undergraduate and Graduate Student Research**: This area provides funding to support undergraduate and graduate student research.

- **Support for Research Infrastructure**: This area provides funding to support the development of research infrastructure.

& How to Get Involved

- **Contact Us**: To learn more about how to get involved, contact the EPSCoR team at epscor@alaska.edu or call 474-7272.

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system are involved in the four research areas, and eight more are to be hired this fall. In each area, there are also funds for graduate and undergraduate student support as part of integrating education and research. EPSCoR’s precollege outreach program was discussed in Part 1.

For more detailed information about EPSCoR and its programs, you may contact Dottie Moss, EPSCoR administrative assistant, at 907-474-5895, or visit the website at: www.alaska.edu/epscor.

**UA Academy Focuses on State Needs**

The third annual University of Alaska Management Meeting - - the UA Academy 2002, was held last week at the Chena River Convention Center in Fairbanks.

The three-day meeting was organized to give industry and state leaders an opportunity to share with the university what they see as being the needs of the state for the remainder of this decade. The meeting provided university leaders an opportunity to discuss how the university will meet the state’s economic diversification and workforce needs. Students were also a major theme as national experts on enrollment management conducted a seminar workshop on recruitment and retention strategies.

**Open Invitation**

Aurora Borealis ROTARACT Community Service Organization for young professionals invites you to join them. Rotaract is an international organization of service clubs for men and women aged 18-30 that fosters leadership and responsible citizenship, encourages high ethical standards in business and promotes international understanding and peace. Visit www.rotaract.org/aurora for more information or call John Pile at 474-7061. Local meetings are at UAF Wood Center Conference Room B, 5:45 pm first and third Tuesdays of every month.

**Students Rally to Support UA Budget Request**

In an effort to encourage the Alaska legislature to fully fund the $17 million increase in the Board of Regents’ budget request, student governments across the state have been participating in a statewide grass-roots legislative campaign coordinated by the Coalition of Student Leaders. Thousands of yellow "Minds at Work" postcards have been distributed around the state and signed by Alaska voters who support the university.

On Tuesday, February 19th, the Associated Students of UAF will hold a rally in the Wood Center from 1 to 4 pm to kick-start the Coalition’s "Road Show" campaign. All Alaska voters and university supporters are encouraged to attend. There will be free food and live music provided by ASUAF.

**Transitions...**

Britt Arnesen (above) recently signed on as the Legislative Affairs Coordinator for the Coalition of Student Leaders until the end of the legislative session. She coordinates the grassroots legislative tactics of the coalition. Britt is a senior majoring in Biology and hopes to go to graduate school in ecology.

Rolonda Horning is moving from Public Affairs to provide administrative support to Dave Veazey, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs, and to Mark Standley, executive director of the Alaska Center for Excellence in Schools. She assumes her new position next week.

Paul Jenny is the new Associate Director of Statewide Budget and Institutional Research. Paul comes from Washington, DC where he was the Director of Budget at the Brookings Institution. From 1990-95, Paul worked with the Denali Foundation in Denali National Park.

**For Sale or Trade**

Send your items for sale or trade by e-mail to: bob.miller@alaska.edu

From Kristen Clare, 337-3175: Pentax 35m manual camera includes regular and zoom lenses, flash and bag. $225.

From Kathy Tamburello, 474-7213:

**MUST SELL!** 97-Toyota Tacoma, extcab, 4x4, 5speed, 4cyl., new tires & brakes, CD player, excellent shape in & out, 75 K. $12,800 obo.

From Jennifer Bowers at x6281:

Brand new medium size dog kennel/crate. Bought in December, barely used. 27”L x 20”W x 19”H with handle. Light tan in color, ideal for Beagles, Shelties, Min. Poodles, Cockers, Lhasa Apsos. Paid $39.99, asking $20.00.

From Thom & Torie Foote, 479-0908:

98’ Dodge Grand Caravan LE, AWD, Loaded, remote start, studded tires and a summer set as well, Great condition. $17,700 or best offer.

From Gene McGill at 5507:

4.1997 GMC Sierra 1500 OEM aluminum 6 bolt rims with LT245/R16 tires in various conditions. Includes lug nuts. $300 or offer. Leer pickup topper to fit 1997 GMC x-cab short-bed pickup or similar. Red, with clamps. $400 or obo.

**On the Move is Online**

Go to: www.alaska.edu/opaa/onthemove. Deadline for the next issue is Monday, February 25th by the end of the day.