

Alaska College of Education Consortium

UA Schools of Education

Reaching Students across Alaska with a combination of distance-delivered and on-campus programs. Alaskans can stay in their community and obtain a teaching degree.



PK-3 Teacher initial and advanced licensure, graduate programs and PACE (Professional and Continuing Education)



Teacher initial and advanced licensure, graduate programs and K12 Outreach Office



Teacher initial and advanced licensure, graduate programs and Continuing Education Courses



Credits Transfer Easily

Agreements between UAA, UAF and UAS recognize students' prior coursework, reduce unnecessary duplication, and support timely graduation for aspiring Alaska educators.

Nationally Accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

Educators Rising

- A teacher and student-led effort that aims to inspire middle school, high school and college students to serve their communities by entering the field of education.
- Active in 34 chapters with 300 students registered at both the state and national level.

UA Teachers and Administrators in Alaskan Schools

Percent by region ([Fast Facts](#)):

- Anchorage/Mat-Su: 46.7%
- Interior: 19.4%
- Southeast: 13.3%
- Gulf Coast: 8.6%
- Southwest: 7.7%

Graduates employed within 1 year of earning a degree:

- 78.9% of Early Childhood
- 88.7% of Elementary
- 89.1% of Secondary
- 89.2% of Special Education

Highly trained educators (2025 Employer Survey, UA-Overall):

- 97.7% of surveyed Alaskan employers agree that UA graduates effectively teach the subject matter
- 88.1% of surveyed Alaskan employers agree that graduates effectively use technology to achieve learning goals
- 100.0% of surveyed Alaskan employers agree that graduates regularly adjust instructional plans to meet student needs



Preparing Alaska Native Teachers to Meet Our Students' Needs

|| *PITAAS (Preparing Indigenous Teachers and Administrators for Alaska Schools) UAS*
PITAAS has prepared 188 Alaska Native teachers and administrators who are employed in 29 Alaskan school districts.

|| *AITC (Alaska Indigenous Teacher Corps) UAF*
AITC uses a cohort model to support Alaska Native students pursuing teaching degrees from high school through to degree completion.

|| *SUNRAE (Strategic Use of Nationally Registered Apprenticeships for Educators) UAA*

UAA's SUNRAE program supports Alaska Native early childhood educators through a registered apprenticeship pathway that blends culturally sustaining coursework, paid on-the-job training, and mentorship in partnership with Tribal and rural communities.

|| *SILKAT (Sustaining Indigenous Local Knowledge, Arts and Teaching) UAF*
UAF's SILKAT project supports the meaningful incorporation of Indigenous and local cultures, voices, ways of knowing and ways of teaching into Alaska's school through teacher led professional development.

Programs Linked to Education

| Program Category | University | Major | Degree/Credential |
|--------------------------|------------|--|--|
| Early Childhood Ed. | UAA | Infant & Toddler Development, Early Childhood Dev. | Occupational Endorsement, Assoc. of Applied Science Bachelor of Arts Minor*, Assoc. of Applied Science, Certificate* Occupational Endorsement |
| | UAA | Early Childhood Education / Birth to 3 rd Grade | |
| | UAF | Early Childhood Education | |
| | UAF | Nanny Caregiving | |
| Elementary Ed. | UAF | Local Knowledge Educator | Certificate* Minor*, Bachelor of Arts, Post-bac Licensure, M.Ed. Bachelor of Arts, MAT, Grad. Cert. Grad. Endorsement |
| | UAF | Elementary Education | |
| | UAS | Elementary Education | |
| | UAS | K-8 Education | |
| Secondary/Middle Gr. Ed. | UAF | Secondary Education | Minor*, BA, Post-bac Licensure, M.Ed. MAT, Grad. Cert. |
| | UAS | Secondary Education | |
| Special Education | UAA | Special Education | Grad. Cert., M.Ed. Minor*, Post-bac Licensure, M.Ed. BA, MAT, Grad. Cert., M.Ed. |
| | UAF | Special Education K-12 | |
| | UAS | Special Education | |
| Other K-12 | UAA | Language & Literacy (ESL), Teaching and Learning | Grad. Endorsement, M.Ed. Bachelor of Music, Post-bac Licensure Grad. Cert., M.Ed. |
| | UAF | Music Education, K-12 Art | |
| | UAS | Reading Specialist | |
| Admin & Counseling | UAA | Educational Leadership | Grad. Cert., M.Ed. Master of Science Grad. Cert., M.Ed. M.Ed. Grad. Cert. |
| | UAA | School Psychology Specialist | |
| | UAF | School Counseling, Clinical Mental Health Counseling | |
| | UAS | Educational Leadership | |
| | UAS | Superintendent | |

2 + 2 Agreements:

Students at UAA have a clear progression from a completed Assoc. of Applied Science degree into a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary at UAF or UAS!

*Does not lead to licensure

Note: M.Ed. degrees technically do not lead to licensure, but most educators in these programs are already licensed.



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