The Ketchikan campus was originally established as Ketchikan Community College in 1954. In cooperation with the larger University of Alaska system through distance education, students can graduate locally with bachelor and master degrees. Business and industry programs are delivered, as well as a core of technical, maritime studies, and other vocational courses.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2023

NUMBERS

- 1,255 students
- 15 full-time and 24 part-time faculty
- 22 full-time and 2 part-time staff

PROGRAMS

- GED programs
- 9 occupational endorsement certificates
- 8 certificate programs
- 8 associate degree programs
- UAS bachelor degree programs (partial completion)

HELPING STUDENTS REACH THEIR GOALS

1,255 Students took at least one for-credit course
265 Students took at least one non-credit course

A year after graduating, UAS Ketchikan program graduates (FY17 - FY21) were earning an average of $31,182 annually, about 9 percent ($2,582) more than they did one year before earning the certificate or degree. Program graduates (FY13 - FY17) working for 5 years were making 73 percent ($22,724) higher wages on average than graduates who had only been working one year, showing that the earnings boost from a UAS Ketchikan credential increases over time.

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"Taking the Master 100 Ton class allowed me to move up from Assistant Port Engineer to Port Captain with Allen Marine Tours."

-Tristan Moyer
**Program Highlights**

**Qualified Member of the Engine Department**

The UAS Ketchikan Qualified Member of the Engine Department (QMED) course of study is a US Coast Guard approved sequence of courses. Earning this credential has significant advantages for those seeking entry into the Maritime field enabling them to secure employment in engine rooms on large maritime vessels. Successful completion of the QMED reduces the required sea service from 180 days to 120. The Maritime Training Center also offers 17 above deck US Coast Guard approved courses leading to Occupational Endorsements and Associate of Applied Science degrees.

**Community Impact**

**Meeting Community Needs**

The Ketchikan campus meets community needs:

- Alaska Marine Highway System
- Haines School District
- Inter-Island Ferry Authority
- Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District
- Ketchikan Indian Community
- Local 23 SMART Union
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- Seafarers International Union
- Southeast Alaska Pilots Association
- Southeast Island School District
- United States Coast Guard
- Vigor
- Washington State Ferries

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