

Fisheries Technology

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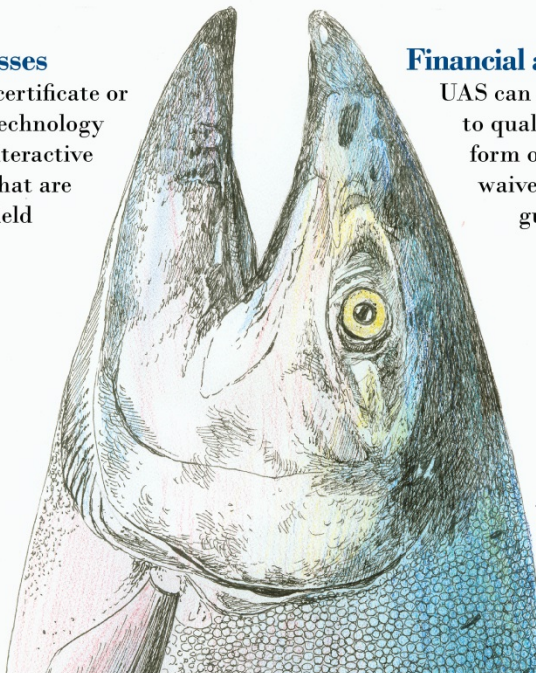
Classes for certificate or A.A.S. degrees offered on the web
in cooperation with campuses from Ketchikan to Bristol Bay.

E-Learning classes

You can earn your certificate or degree in fisheries technology from home. Take interactive web-based classes that are complemented by field experience.

Financial assistance available

UAS can offer financial support to qualified individuals in the form of scholarships, tuition waivers, etc. We offer career guidance and job search assistance to support you after graduation.



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UAS is an AA/EO employer and educational institution

Two certificate tracks: fish culture and fisheries management

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS (2008-2009 CATALOG)

FISH CULTURE EMPHASIS

Minimum Credit Hours 32

General Requirements 11

Written and Oral Communication Skills

Select one from the following (3 credits)

ENGL S111 Methods of Written Communication 3

ENGL S212 Technical Report Writing 3

COMM S111 Fundamentals of Oral Communication* 3

COMM S235 Small Group Communication and Team Building* 3

*Grade C or better

Computational Skills

Select one from the following (4 credits)

MATH S105 Intermediate Algebra 4

MATH S107 College Algebra 4

STAT S107 Introductory Statistics 4

Science Skills

Select one from the following (4 credits)

BIOL S103 Biology and Society 4

BIOL S104 Natural History of Alaska 4

BIOL S105 Fundamentals of Biology I 4

BIOL S106 Fundamentals of Biology II 4

CHEM S103 Introduction to General Chemistry 4

ENVS S101 Introduction to Environmental Science 4

Program Requirements

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FT S120 Fisheries of Southeast Alaska 3

FT S122 Fin fish Culture I 3

FT S222 Fin fish Culture II 3

FT S273 Fundamentals of Fisheries Biology 4

FT S291 Fisheries Technology Internship 3

Select one from the following (1 credits)

CIOS S135 Using Spreadsheets in the Workplace 1

CIOS S140 Using Databases in the Workplace 1

Select one from the following (3 credits)

FT S270 Introduction to Limnology 3

OCN S101 Introduction to Oceanography 3

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Computational Skills

Select one from the following (4 credits)

MATH S105 Intermediate Algebra 4

MATH S107 College Algebra 4

STAT S107 Survey of Statistics 4

Science Skills

Select one from the following (4 credits)

BIOL S103 Biology and Society 4

BIOL S104 Natural History of Alaska 4

BIOL S105 Fundamentals of Biology I 4

BIOL S106 Fundamentals of Biology II 4

Program Requirements

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CIOS S135 Using Spreadsheets in the Workplace 1

FT S120 Fisheries of Southeast Alaska 3

FT S210 Field Methods/Safety in Fisheries Technology 4

FT S272 Fisheries Management, Law, Economics 3

FT S273 Fundamentals of Fisheries Biology 4

FT S291 Fisheries Technology Internship 3

Select one from the following (3 credits)

FT S270 Introduction to Limnology 3

OCN S101 Introduction to Oceanography 3

Fisheries Technology, A.A.S.

Associate of Applied Science

Ketchikan, Distance Delivery

The Associate of Applied Science provides students with a broad educational and practical foundation in the field of fisheries technology. Students will be prepared for entry level employment in federal and state agencies, hatcheries, and the private sector.

Degree Requirements

The A.A.S. in Fisheries Technology requires a minimum of sixty credit hours and a GPA of 2.5. Of the 60 credits, students must complete 20 credits at the 200 level or above. Students must earn 6 credit hours of internship.

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| MINIMUM CREDIT HOURS | 60 |
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- Articulates with the certificate program
- Also articulates with UAF School of Fisheries. Graduates can readily move on to B.Sc.
- Two tracts: fish culture and fisheries management

Internships are a fundamental aspect of the program

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (PG. 60) 17

Written Communication Skills

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| ENGL | S111 | Methods of Written Communication | 3 |
| ENGL | S212 | Technical Report Writing | 3 |

Oral Communication Skills

Select one from the following (3 credits):

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| COMM | S111 | Fundamentals of Oral Communication* | 3 |
| COMM | S235 | Small Group Communication and Team Building* | 3 |

*Grade C 2.00 or better

Computational Skills

Select one from the following (4 credits):

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| MATH | S105 | Intermediate Algebra | 4 |
| MATH | S107 | College Algebra | 4 |

Science

Select one from the following (4 credits):

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| ENVS | S102 | Earth and Environment | 4 |
| BIOL | S103 | Biology and Society | 4 |
| BIOL | S104 | Natural History of Alaska | 4 |
| CHEM | S103 | Introduction to General Chemistry | 4 |

Students interested in pursuing a bachelor's degree should take MATH S107. BIOL S105 and BIOL S106 is an allowable substitution for BIOL S103 and BIOL S104.

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| CIOS | S132A | Word Processing Concepts and Applications, Part A | 1 |
| CIOS | S135 | Using Spreadsheets in the Workplace | 1 |
| CIOS | S140 | Using Databases in the Workplace | 1 |
| FT | S120 | Fisheries of Southeast Alaska | 3 |
| FT | S122 | Fin Fish Culture I | 3 |
| FT | S210 | Field Methods and Safety in Fisheries Technology | 4 |
| FT | S222 | Fin Fish Culture II | 3 |
| FT | S270 | Introduction to Limnology | 3 |
| FT | S272 | Fisheries Management, Law, Economics | 3 |
| FT | S273 | Fundamentals of Fisheries Biology | 4 |
| FT | S291 | Fisheries Technology Internship | 6 |
| OCN | S101 | Introduction to Oceanography | 3 |

Select 8 credits from the following:

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| BA | S166 | Small Business Management | 3 |
| CIOS | S235 | Spreadsheet Concepts and Applications | 3 |
| CIOS | S240 | Database Concepts and Applications | 3 |
| MT | S119 | Skiff Operator | 1 |
| MT | S120 | Outboard Motor Maintenance | 1 |
| PE | S103 | Scuba Diving | 1 |
| STAT | S107 | Survey of Statistics | 4 |
| — | S— | Advisor-approved electives | 0-4 |
| — | S— | Any of the science GERs not taken above | 4 |

Distance Delivery

- Use of *Elluminate* which enables live interaction between students and instructor
- Rural students have accessed courses with little difficulty in recent years
- Communication between instructor and student via email and phone – instructors highly accessible
- Disadvantages:
 - Lack of face-to-face interaction can suppress comments
 - Dependence on technology
 - Hands-on lab sessions not always possible
- Advantages:
 - Higher education available to remote sites
 - Flexibility – just need access to the internet/can be travelling
 - Class sessions are recorded to allow students access if they miss a class

Where we've come from....

- ▣ Program began 10 years ago. Carol Denton, one of the originators; Kate Sullivan, first (and current) program director.
- ▣ Began (and remains) with much input from industry. Fisheries Technology Advisory Committee was instrumental in forming type and content of instruction.

Where we are today.....

- ▣ 1 graduate runs a successful oyster farm
- ▣ 1 student recently took a position with ADFG subsistence
- ▣ 1 student in Fairbanks area interested in fisheries education/subsistence
- ▣ 1 graduate working with ADFG/Juneau and has worked at several PNP's
- ▣ 2 with USFS fisheries management
- ▣ 1 with ODFW fisheries, Astoria, OR
- ▣ 1 AMB with ADFG/Cordova
- ▣ 10 currently employed with PNP's in varying capacities
- ▣ 3 students were placed just this past year after finding about positions through the FT program
- ▣ ADFG/USFS and other staff have taken specific courses to further their careers and/or to better understand the industries they serve
- ▣ 35 students currently enrolled

Fish Culture Techniques Workshop 2012

- ▣ Designed for both experienced and inexperienced fish culturists. Learn from one another.
- ▣ Use of local resources: fish processors, 3 hatcheries, ADFG offices, etc.



Where we are heading.....

- ▣ Program moving to Sitka Campus, July 2013
- ▣ In 2011-12, agreements are in place with:
 - Bristol Bay Campus
 - Prince William Sound Community College
 - Kachemak Bay Campus
 - Working with Kodiak College
 - Will allow the program to expand substantially
 - more “visible” and working with local industry to provide hands-on



Stimulating interest at various grade levels

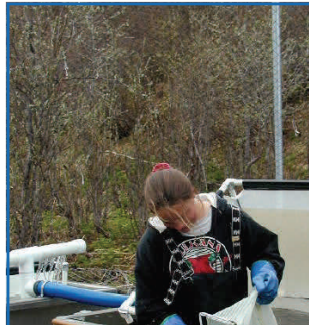
- Introduction to Fisheries Careers
- College career fairs
- Tech Prep at Thunder Mt. HS/Juneau, Craig HS, Petersburg HS
- Supporting elementary and secondary educators

FT093: Intro to Alaska Fisheries & Fisheries Career Pathways

This course is for high school juniors and seniors in communities throughout Alaska to broaden their understanding of the wide variety of fisheries careers available in our state. Students will work with a community mentor who is knowledgeable about local resources and who will facilitate 3-5 site visits with various fisheries professionals in their place of work.

Possible site visits include:

- fish hatcheries
- fisheries management agencies
- fish processing facilities
- commercial fishing vessels



2012 Salmon Spawning Olympics!

Teaching fish culture basics w/o any fish!



Someone is always telling you what to do and waving their arms



broodstock



Putting waders on....why?
Don't ask questions, just do it.



incubation



Spawning process

How Industry can help us

- ▣ Industry input is essential to stay on track and meet training needs
- ▣ More hands-on coursework?
 - Water recirculation/reuse
 - Fish health/nutrition
 - Basic hatchery maintenance
 - Weir/fieldwork training
 - Asynchronous delivery?
- ▣ Working to develop SJ Hatchery to better represent industry standards





Thanks to our supporters!

- ❑ Icicle Seafoods generously supports the Fisheries Technology Program. Funds are used to purchase equipment, provide tuition assistance and help us promote the program.
- ❑ Sitka Sound Science Center is a working partner. The SSSC facility is a great teaching platform. The organization also provides other forms of support.
- ❑ Many PNP's have helped the program by providing letters of support.
- ❑ DIPAC – by providing support to SSSC.
- ❑ PNP's, ADFG, USFS, NOAA and other agencies have supported us by providing current/relative information to students.
- ❑ Our students who enter the industry are well-prepared!