

ACADEMIC DEGREE AWARDS

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Summary: Academic Degree Awards

In FY25, students earned 3,421 degrees, certificates, and endorsements across the UA System, which is 4.3 percent (141 degrees) over FY24. The number of degrees awarded has decreased 14.4 percent (575 degrees) over the last five years (Table 1). Moderate declines in program completions were anticipated due to a drop in enrollment during the pandemic. A closer look at each university reveals differing trends in degrees awarded.

UAA's total degrees awarded increased by 1.4 percent (24 degrees) over the past year to a total of 1,730 degrees awarded. Over the past year, the number of master's degrees awarded decreased by 12.9 percent (22 degrees), and PhDs increased by about 133.3 percent (4 degrees). Bachelor's degrees decreased by 2.5 percent (18 degrees), while AA and AAS degrees decreased by 10.0 percent and 6.5 percent (25 and 18 degrees), respectively. The number of OEC's awarded increased by 26.4 percent (51 degrees) in the last year (Table 1).

The total number of degrees awarded at UAF increased 5.9 percent (67 degrees) from FY24 with a FY25 total of 1,203 degrees awarded. In the last year, AAS, AA, bachelor's, licensure, and master's degrees awarded increased by 15.2 percent (17 degrees), 43.0 percent (34 degrees), 5.4 percent (25 degrees), 8.3 percent (4 degrees), and 3.5 percent (7 degrees) respectively. The number of doctorate degrees awarded remained unchanged from the previous year. Awards at the OEC level decreased by 14.1 percent (11 degrees), two-year certificates decreased by 7.0 percent (9 degrees) compared to the previous year (Table 1).

Degrees awarded at UAS increased by 11.4 percent (50 degrees) from FY24 to FY25 to a total of 488 degrees awarded. OECs awarded increased by 23.4 percent (30 degree), one-year certificates decreased by 6.3 percent (1 degrees), two-year certificates decreased by 9.1 percent (2 degrees), AAS decreased by 10.5 percent (4 degrees), AA degrees decreased by 12.8 percent (5 degrees). Bachelor's degrees awarded in FY25 also decreased 3.9 percent (4 degrees). Master's degrees awarded increased by 41.5 percent (27 degrees), licensure awards increased by 33.3 percent (9 degrees) in the last fiscal year (Table 1).

In FY25, 71.9 percent (2,461 degrees) of total UA degrees, certificates, and endorsements were awarded in five disciplines: Business and Public Administration (24.0 percent of total, 820 awarded), Health (15.4 percent of total, 526 awarded), Letters, Communication, and Philosophy (11.8 percent of total, 412 awarded), Vocational Deducation (12.0 percent of total, 404 awarded), and Education (8.7 percent of total, 299 awarded) (Table 3).

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About 14.8 percent (505) of the FY25 graduating class identified as Indigenous, while another 16.5 percent (563) belonged to an underrepresented non-Indigenous student group. In FY25, students identifying as white made up 61.5 percent (2,104) of the graduating class, and 7.3 percent (249) had unknown racial identities (Table 5).

Table 1. Degrees, Certificates and Endorsements Awarded by Level and University, Five Year Trend (Continued on next page)

	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	% Change FY21-FY25
UA Anchorage						
OEC	57	159	129	193	244	328.1
Certificate (1 yr)	28	11	17	11	17	-39.3
Certificate (2 yr)	41	31	31	38	45	9.8
Associate (AAS)	386	327	271	279	261	-32.4
Associate (AA)	284	254	174	250	225	-20.8
Bachelor's	1,044	893	820	719	701	-32.9
Licensure	40	44	43	43	82	105.0
Master's	190	172	192	170	148	-22.1
Doctorate	9	4	5	3	7	-22.2
Total	2,079	1,895	1,682	1,706	1,730	-16.8
UA Fairbanks						
OEC	69	75	95	78	67	-2.9
Certificate (1 yr)						
Certificate (2 yr)	167	152	136	129	120	-28.1
Associate (AAS)	159	154	104	112	129	-18.9
Associate (AA)	99	72	88	79	113	14.1
Bachelor's	568	493	444	461	486	-14.4
Licensure	39	49	51	48	52	33.3
Master's	195	182	178	198	205	5.1
Doctorate	39	32	31	31	31	-20.5
Total	1,335	1,209	1,127	1,136	1,203	-9.9



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Table 1. Degrees, Certificates and Endorsements Awarded by Level and University, Five Year Trend, Cont.

	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	% Change FY21-FY25
UA Southeast						
OEC	165	111	127	128	158	-4.2
Certificate (1 yr)	8	19	12	16	15	87.5
Certificate (2 yr)	35	31	15	22	20	-42.9
Associate (AAS)	40	42	42	38	34	-15.0
Associate (AA)	37	39	25	39	34	-8.1
Bachelor's	144	104	130	103	99	-31.3
Licensure	31	41	35	27	36	16.1
Master's	122	76	90	65	92	-24.6
Doctorate						
Total	582	463	476	438	488	-16.2
UA System						
OEC	291	345	351	399	469	61.2
Certificate (1 yr)	36	30	29	27	32	-11.1
Certificate (2 yr)	243	214	182	189	185	-23.9
Associate (AAS)	585	523	417	429	424	-27.5
Associate (AA)	420	365	287	368	372	-11.4
Bachelor's	1,756	1,490	1,394	1,283	1,286	-26.8
Licensure	110	134	129	118	170	54.5
Master's	507	430	460	433	445	-12.2
Doctorate	48	36	36	34	38	-20.8
Total	3,996	3,567	3,285	3,280	3,421	-14.4



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Table 2. Degrees, Certificates, and Endorsements Awarded by Academic Organization FY25

	Certificate		Associate		Bachelor's	Licensure	Master's	Doctorate	Total	
	OE	1-Year	2-year	AAS	AA					
Anchorage	179	7	45	222	163	701	82	148	7	1,554
Kenai	19	10		21	14					64
Kodiak	5				14					19
Mat-Su	11			12	25					48
PWSC	30			6	9					45
Troth Yeddha'			3			472	51	198	29	753
UAF CTC	57		97	108	97					359
College of Indigenous Studies										
Bristol Bay	1			3						4
Chukchi										
Interior Alaska	2		10	5	15					32
Kuskokwim	6		10	11	1					28
Northwest				1						1
Rural College	1			1		14	1	7	2	26
Juneau	30	6	18	19	30	99	36	92		330
Ketchikan	15	1		1	1					18
Sitka	113	8	2	14	3					140
UA Anchorage	244	17	45	261	225	701	82	148	7	1,730
UA Fairbanks	67		120	129	113	486	52	205	31	1,203
UA Southeast	158	15	20	34	34	99	36	92		488
UA System	469	32	185	424	372	1,286	170	445	38	3,421
Percent of Total	14%	1%	5%	12%	11%	38%	5%	13%	1%	100%

Source: Data Analysis and Institutional Research, www.alaska.edu/ir/

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Table 3. Degrees Awarded by Discipline, Five Year Trend

Discipline	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	% Change
						FY21-FY25
Business and Public Administration	985	814	780	767	820	-16.8
Computer and Information Science	66	79	53	63	83	25.8
Education	328	293	297	236	299	-8.8
Engineering	178	164	122	119	132	-25.8
Foreign Languages	34	35	23	25	37	8.8
Health	717	667	595	560	526	-26.6
Letters, Comm., and Philosophy	487	420	346	402	412	-15.4
Math, Physical and Life Sciences	189	182	186	199	172	-9.0
Natural Resources	88	84	73	95	78	-11.4
Social Sciences	282	201	228	209	251	-11.0
Visual and Performing Arts	62	62	40	42	57	-8.1
Vocational Education	423	452	410	425	404	-4.5
Interdisciplinary Studies	157	114	132	138	150	-4.5
UA System Total	3,996	3,567	3,285	3,280	3,421	-14.4



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Note: Degree programs are classified into disciplines based on the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) codes. These differ from other programmatic classifications throughout the publication, such as career clusters.

Table 4. Degrees, Certificates, and Endorsements Awarded by Level and Program Discipline FY25

Discipline	Certificate			Associate		Bachelor's	Licensure	Master's	Doctorate	Total
	OECE	(1 yr)	(2 yr)	(AAS)	(AA)					
Business and Public Administration	178		21	103		320	42	156		820
Computer and Information Science	12		4	26		40		1		83
Education			5	8		46	104	136		299
Engineering	2					106	1	19	4	132
Foreign Languages	6	3	6			20		2		37
Health	70	16	50	178		151	17	41	3	526
Letters, Comm., and Philosophy	5				346	47		14		412
Math, Physical and Life Sciences	17					108	2	33	12	172
Natural Resources	27			2		34		9	6	78
Social Sciences	13				4	205	1	19	9	251
Visual and Performing Arts	17					38		2		57
Vocational Education	111	13	99	106		72	3			404
Interdisciplinary Studies	11			1	22	99		13	4	150
UA System Total	469	32	185	424	372	1,286	170	445	38	3,421



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Table 5. Degrees, Certificates and Endorsements Awarded by Level, Race and Ethnicity FY25
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	Ethnicity			Race					
	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	Total	Alaska Native/ American Indian	Hawaiian Native/ Pacific Islander	Asian	Black	White	Unknown
UA Anchorage									
OEC	16	228	244	34	2	38	10	137	23
Certificate (1 yr)		17	17	3				12	2
Certificate (2 yr)	1	44	45	3	1	6	2	31	2
Associate (AAS)	18	243	261	36	2	40	10	154	19
Associate (AA)	21	204	225	42	3	34	10	125	11
Bachelor's	76	625	701	65	8	133	39	405	51
Licensure	7	75	82	5	2	6	8	55	6
Master's	14	134	148	10	1	15	9	101	12
Doctorate	2	5	7	2	1			4	
Total	155	1,575	1,730	200	20	272	88	1,024	126
UA Fairbanks									
OEC	10	57	67	11	3	9	3	37	4
Certificate (1 yr)									
Certificate (2 yr)	7	113	120	43		6	5	56	10
Associate (AAS)	10	119	129	28	2	7	7	74	11
Associate (AA)	10	103	113	30		4	2	69	8
Bachelor's	53	433	486	75	7	22	18	330	34
Licensure	3	49	52	2		3	2	41	4
Master's	18	187	205	23	2	11	5	146	18
Doctorate	2	29	31	5		5	1	12	8
Total	113	1,090	1,203	217	14	67	43	765	97



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Note: Student demographic information is self-reported. UA utilizes an unduplicated race categorization, although students often identify as more than one race/ethnicity. This compilation method allows each student to be counted uniquely. For example, if a student identifies as Alaska Native and White, that person would be recorded as one Alaska Native student, for a total headcount of one.

Table 5. Degrees, Certificates and Endorsements Awarded by Level, Race and Ethnicity FY25 Cont.

	Ethnicity			Race					
	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	Total	Alaska Native/ American Indian	Hawaiian Native/ Pacific Islander	Asian	Black	White	Unknown
UA Southeast									
OEC	19	139	158	26		14	5	101	12
Certificate (1 yr)	3	12	15	3		1		10	1
Certificate (2 yr)	5	15	20	7				12	1
Associate (AAS)	4	30	34	6		6	2	19	1
Associate (AA)	3	31	34	6		6		21	1
Bachelor's	12	87	99	19	1	9	3	65	2
Licensure		36	36	4		2	1	29	
Master's	5	87	92	17	3	3	3	58	8
Doctorate									
Total	51	437	488	88	4	41	14	315	26
UA System									
OEC	45	424	469	71	5	61	18	275	39
Certificate (1 yr)	3	29	32	6		1		22	3
Certificate (2 yr)	13	172	185	53	1	12	7	99	13
Associate (AAS)	32	392	424	70	4	53	19	247	31
Associate (AA)	34	338	372	78	3	44	12	215	20
Bachelor's	141	1,145	1,286	159	16	164	60	800	87
Licensure	10	160	170	11	2	11	11	125	10
Master's	37	408	445	50	6	29	17	305	38
Doctorate	4	34	38	7	1	5	1	16	8
Total	319	3,102	3,421	505	38	380	145	2,104	249
Percent of Total	9.3%	90.7%	100.0%	14.8%	1.1%	11.1%	4.2%	61.5%	7.3%



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Table 6. Degrees, Certificates and Endorsements Awarded by University and Career Cluster, Five Year Trend (Continued on next page)

	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	% Change FY21-FY25
UA Anchorage						
Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources	19	12	10	7	4	-78.9
Architecture & Construction	21	13	12	14	18	-14.3
Arts, Audio/Video Technology & Communications	58	57	46	28	35	-39.7
Business Management & Administration	129	112	105	100	89	-31.0
Education & Training	387	349	255	323	273	-29.5
Finance	108	106	69	77	94	-13.0
Government & Public Administration	35	32	26	20	28	-20.0
Health Science	539	399	297	311	258	-52.1
Hospitality & Tourism	17	25	14	7	10	-41.2
Human Services	146	139	165	154	176	20.5
Information Technology	44	49	41	40	51	15.9
Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security	54	36	42	36	27	-50.0
Manufacturing	88	87	65	61	41	-53.4
Marketing	19	17	13	8	16	-15.8
Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics	296	231	237	207	196	-33.8
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics	113	116	90	79	96	-15.0
Other	6	115	195	234	318	
UA Anchorage Total	2,079	1,895	1,682	1,706	1,730	-16.8
UA Fairbanks						
Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources	42	42	48	55	30	-28.6
Architecture & Construction	10	10	4	3	7	-30.0
Arts, Audio/Video Technology & Communications	46	33	26	31	38	-17.4
Business Management & Administration	143	138	109	114	111	-22.4
Education & Training	281	235	240	202	229	-18.5
Finance	57	44	45	50	46	-19.3
Government & Public Administration	6	4	9	4	6	
Health Science	103	101	81	54	51	-50.5
Hospitality & Tourism	22	10	15	23	15	-31.8
Human Services	91	94	93	90	116	27.5
Information Technology	28	33	19	27	33	17.9
Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security	118	100	98	99	105	-11.0
Manufacturing	24	28	22	20	23	-4.2
Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics	320	263	230	264	264	-17.5
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics	42	48	48	43	35	-16.7
Other	2	26	40	57	94	
UA Fairbanks Total	1,335	1,209	1,127	1,136	1,203	-9.9



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Table 6. Degrees, Certificates and Endorsements Awarded by University and Career Cluster, Five Year Trend, Cont.

	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	% Change FY21-FY25
UA Southeast						
Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources	28	19	15	9	8	-71.4
Architecture & Construction	2	1	1	1	3	50.0
Arts, Audio/Video Technology & Communications	2	1			1	-50.0
Business Management & Administration	66	57	57	53	40	-39.4
Education & Training	186	167	161	130	159	-14.5
Finance	15	16	9	5	7	-53.3
Government & Public Administration	29	16	19	16	13	-55.2
Health Science	43	73	55	56	48	11.6
Hospitality & Tourism	3	2		4	6	100.0
Human Services	27	2	7	4	12	-55.6
Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security	91	8	39	36	61	-33.0
Manufacturing	18	23	16	22	22	22.2
Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics	61	35	46	38	42	-31.1
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics	11	13	23	22	13	18.2
Other		30	28	42	53	
UA Southeast Total	582	463	476	438	488	-16.2
UA System						
Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources	89	73	73	71	42	-52.8
Architecture & Construction	33	24	17	18	28	-15.2
Arts, Audio/Video Technology & Communications	106	91	72	59	74	-30.2
Business Management & Administration	338	307	271	267	240	-29.0
Education & Training	854	751	656	655	661	-22.6
Finance	180	166	123	132	147	-18.3
Government & Public Administration	70	52	54	40	47	-32.9
Health Science	685	573	433	421	357	-47.9
Hospitality & Tourism	42	37	29	34	31	-26.2
Human Services	264	235	265	248	304	15.2
Information Technology	72	82	60	67	84	16.7
Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security	263	144	179	171	193	-26.6
Manufacturing	130	138	103	103	86	-33.8
Marketing	19	17	13	8	16	-15.8
Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics	677	529	513	509	502	-25.8
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics	166	177	161	144	144	-13.3
Other	8	171	263	333	465	
UA System Total	3,996	3,567	3,285	3,280	3,421	-14.4



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