## State Fund Groups <sup>1</sup> and University of Alaska Revenue Descriptions

The following state fund groups (Unrestricted General Funds, Designated General Funds, Federal Funds, and Other Funds) are used to summarize budget activity and indicate the level of discretion over the use of the funding. The revenue descriptions are the University of Alaska's definitions of funding sources within each fund group.

- **Unrestricted General Funds (UGF):** As the name indicates, there are no statutory designations or restrictions on funding included in this group. Funding in this group can be (and is) appropriated for any purpose.
  - General Fund: Monies received from the general operating fund of the state used to finance the general operations of the university. Includes revenues with SBS code 1004.
  - General Fund Match: Monies received from the general operating fund of the state, specifically authorized for funding matching requirements of restricted funds and are reserved for these purposes exclusively. Includes revenues with SBS code 1003.
  - GF/Mental Health: GF/Mental Health revenues help fund the Masters of Social Work program at UAA as well as other programs approved by the Mental Health Trust. These programs provide specialized curriculum for working with the beneficiary groups of the Mental Health Trust Authority and Alaska Native populations, providing an in-state avenue for social workers in Alaska to earn a Master's Degree. These degrees are required for licensing for many federal and state positions, including clinical social workers. Licensed clinical social workers are the primary providers of mental health services in much of Alaska, particularly communities served by and dependent upon community mental health centers. Includes revenues with SBS code 1037.
- **Designated General Funds (DGF):** Although the Constitution prohibits the dedication of funds (with a few exceptions), and the Governmental Accounting Standards Board indicates that all state funds are technically part of the general fund, the legislature has statutorily designated some revenue sources for a specific purpose. For instance, by statute, § 37.05.146 (b)(2) program receipts for the University of Alaska (as defined in AS 14.40.491) are accounted for separately, and appropriations from these program receipts are not made from the unrestricted general fund.
  - License Plates: Fund was established in FY2015 to record UA Alumni License Plate revenue. Includes revenues with SBS code 1234.
  - Technical and Vocational Education: Since 2001 Senate Bill 137 (established in 2000 by SB289), has provided Technical Vocational Education Program (TVEP) funding to be used for workforce development (WFD) programs at UA. Includes revenues with SBS code 1151.
  - > University Receipts:
    - **Interest Income:** Interest Income includes revenue generated from short-term investments of grant receipts and auxiliary enterprise receipts. Includes revenues with SBS code 1010.
    - Auxiliary Receipts: Auxiliary Receipts include all revenues associated with self-support activities such as the bookstore, food service and housing operations. Includes revenues with SBS code 1015.
    - **Student Tuition/Fees:** Student Tuition/Fees includes revenues generated from tuition charged to students for instructional programs as well as fees charged in support of specific activities such as material, lab, activity and health center fees. Includes revenues with SBS code 1038.
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### **University Receipts (continued)**

- **Indirect Cost Recovery:** Indirect Cost Recovery (ICR) revenues are generated from federal and other restricted grants, and are used to help offset administrative and support costs that cannot be efficiently tracked directly to grant programs. ICR rates vary according to rates audited and approved by the university's cognizant federal oversight agency. Includes revenues with SBS code 1039.
- University Receipts: University Receipts include restricted revenues received from corporate sources, private donations, and local governments, as well as revenues received from publication sales, non-credit self-support programs, recreational facility use fees, and other miscellaneous sources. Includes revenues with SBS code 1048.

**Federal Funds (Fed):** Contains funding received from the federal government and the legislature has limited discretion over the use of this funding. Typically, federal funds must be spent as specified by the federal program.

- Federal Receipts: Federal Receipts include all revenues received from the federal government. These include restricted federal grants from such agencies as the National Science Foundation, U.S. Small Business Administration, U.S. Dept. of Defense and other federal agencies, as well as federal funding for student financial aid and work-study programs. Includes revenues with SBS code 1002.
- Federal Receipts-ARRA: Federal Receipts received from federal agencies related to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). These include restricted federal grants from such agencies as the National Science Foundation, Department of Health and Human Services National Institutes of Health, and other federal agencies, as well as additional federal funding for student financial aid and work-study programs. Except for Pell Grants and Federal Work Study Grants, which are part of the Operating Budget, authority for ARRA receipts are contained in the Capital Budget. Includes revenues with SBS code 1212.

**Other Funds (other):** Contains fund codes over which the legislature has limited discretion. It also includes duplicated funding (such as interagency receipts).

- State Inter-Agency Receipts: Contractual obligations between state agencies use University account code 9330 only. In FY10, ARRA funds became available from the Federal Government and may be passed through to the University of Alaska on an RSA. These funds would be identified by University account code 9332, but will roll up to State Inter-Agency Receipts on all state reports. Includes revenues with SBS code 1007.
- MHTAAR: Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts directed toward University of Alaska projects and programs in support of initiatives of mutual interest to the Trust, the University and the Alaska Health Workforce Coalition. Includes revenues with SBS code 1092.
- CIP Receipts: Capital improvement project (CIP) receipts are generated by chargeback to capital improvement projects to support CIP personal service administrative costs. Includes revenues with SBS code 1061.
- UA Intra-Agency Receipts: All internal charges for services provided by central service departments to other university departments. This includes services such as physical plant work orders, printing, and computer repairs, and certain administrative functions such as risk management and labor relations. Includes revenues with SBS code 1174.
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## Fund Types<sup>2</sup>

The University of Alaska uses the following four primary fund classifications:

- Unrestricted Funds: Unrestricted funds are current funds which are available for use within the current operating period (i.e. fiscal year) for which there is no apparent use restriction. Includes revenue with fund type 10.
- Match Funds: Match funds are a hybrid fund type between unrestricted and restricted; while they are an integral part of restricted program management, the funding for them derives from unrestricted sources. They are subject to the rules associated with restricted funds, UA accounting regulations associated with unrestricted funds, and are also included as part of the reporting requirements to the sponsoring agency. Includes revenue with fund type 14.
- Designated Funds: Designated funds are unrestricted current funds which have internal restrictions but which do not meet the accounting guidelines for restricted funds. Funds for UA Scholars is an example of designated funds. Includes revenue with fund type 15.
- Restricted Funds: Restricted funds are current funds received by the university but their use is limited to specific projects or purposes by grantors, donors or other external sources. Includes revenue with fund type 20.
- Auxiliary Funds: Auxiliary funds are unrestricted current funds of enterprises which furnish services directly or indirectly to students, faculty or staff and which charge fees directly relating to, but not necessarily equal to, the costs of the services. Bookstores and housing systems are examples of enterprises which generally meet the accounting criteria for classification as auxiliary enterprises. Includes revenue with fund type 30.

#### State Expenditure Categories (Natural Classifications)<sup>1</sup>

The State requires agencies to report actual and budgeted expenditures in specific categories. The State's definition of these categories is as follows:

- Commodities: Proposed expenditures for the purchase of items normally consumed or expended within one year of being acquired or equipment purchases valued under \$5,000. Includes expenditures with SBS code 74xxx.
- Contractual Services: Proposed expenditures for services provided by a third party including communications, printing and advertising, utilities, repairs and maintenance, equipment rentals and lease/purchases, judicial expense, professional services, and data processing chargeback costs. Includes expenditures with SBS code 73xxx and 78xxx (except for those with UA account code 8451).
- Capital Outlay (Equipment/Land/Buildings): Proposed expenditures for the purchase of durable items with a unit value between \$5,000 and \$25,000. Includes expenditures with SBS code 75xxx.
- Grants/Benefits (UA Student Aid): Funds disbursed by the state to units of local government and to individuals in payment of various benefits and claims. Types of grants include: Designated, Municipal, Named Recipient, Unincorporated, Competitive, Grants to Individuals, etc. Includes expenditures with SBS code 77xxx.
- Miscellaneous (UA Debt Service): This line item is used for expenditures that are not specifically covered by other line items. For budget and actuals, UA uses this line item for debt service payments only. Includes expenditures with UA account code 8451.
- Personal Services (UA Salaries & Benefits): Proposed expenditures for the staffing costs of the budget request unit or allocation. The costs include salaries, premium pay and benefits for all permanent and non-permanent positions. Includes expenditures with SBS code 71xxx.
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### **State Expenditure Categories (continued)**

Travel: Proposed transportation and per diem expenditures incurred while traveling on authorized state business and proposed expenditures associated with the moving or relocation of an employee. Includes expenditures with SBS code 72xxx.

# **NCHEMS Descriptions<sup>3</sup>**

Through the defining and usage of program codes, the University of Alaska classifies all expenditures into standardized categories that are nationally recognized and utilized by most institutions of higher education. These categories, which were published by the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS), are described below:

## Instruction and Student Related:

- Academic Support: The academic support category includes expenditures related to academic administration and governance to the institution's academic programs; academic program advising; course and curriculum planning, research, development and evaluation, including faculty development; and academic computing, including regional academic mainframes and the student micro-computer labs.
- Instruction: The instruction service category includes expenditures for all activities, which are part of the system's instruction programs. Instructional services include all credit and non-credit courses for academic and vocational instruction.
- Intercollegiate Athletics: Intercollegiate athletic sports are organized in association with the NCAA or NAIA. The intercollegiate athletics category includes expenditures for the necessary support staff associated with the athletic programs.
- Library Services: The library services category includes expenditures for services, which directly support the collection, cataloging, storage and distribution of published materials -- periodical, subscription and book holdings, microfiche and other reference technology aids and inter-library bibliographic access through networks such as Online Computer Library Center (OCLC) and Alaska Library Network.
- Scholarships: The scholarships category includes scholarships and fellowships in the form of grants to students, as well as trainee stipends, prizes, and student awards.
- Student Services: The student services category includes expenditures related to admissions, the registrar and those activities whose primary purpose is to contribute to the students' emotional and physical well-being and to their intellectual, cultural, and social development outside the context of the formal instruction program. Student services include social recreational, and cultural activities; counseling services which include personal, career guidance and placement, and vocational testing; student health medical services; financial aid management and student employment; student admissions, registration and student records administration; and student recruitment marketing and counseling.

# Other:

- Auxiliary Services: The auxiliary services category includes expenditures for conveniences and services needed by students to maintain an on-campus, resident student body. These services include resident student housing, food service dining halls, retail stores' operations such as the bookstore and vending machines, and specialized services such as childcare.
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#### **Other** (continued)

- Institutional Support: The institutional support category includes expenditures related to executive services and other institutional support function. These services include the following: the office of the President, chancellors' offices, business offices, accounting, budget, EEO/AA, educational properties management, facilities planning and construction, finance, human resources, information services, institutional research, internal audit, investment properties management, legal counsel, payroll, procurement, records, risk and hazardous materials management, systems maintenance, university relations, support for the assemblies and the Board of Regents.
- Physical Plant: The physical plant category includes expenditures related to plant administrative services; building maintenance services including routine and preventative repair and maintenance of buildings and structures; remodeling and renovation projects; custodial services including janitorial and elevator operations; landscaping and grounds maintenance services; utilities services including electricity, heating fuel, garbage and sewage disposal; and specialized safety and code compliance management services including campus security and hazardous materials management. Also included are expenditures for fire protection, property insurance, and similar items.
- Public Service: The public service category includes expenditures for activities whose primary purpose is to make available to the public the various unique resources and capabilities of the university in response to a specific community need or problem. The major public service units are the Cooperative Extension Service, KUAC Radio and TV, small business development programs and other community service programs produced in cooperation with community organizations and local governments.
- Research: The research category includes expenditures for activities directly related to scientific and academic research. The majority of the research is funded by non-general funds.
- Unallocated Authority: The unallocated authority category is not part of the standardized NCHEMS categories used by other institutions of higher education. It is a special category created by the University of Alaska to hold additional budget authority separate from other NCHEMS until such a time as it is needed.

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