



Announcement of Opportunity Arctic Engagement Awards

The University of Alaska is developing an Arctic Leadership Initiative that will advance UA's Arctic engagement, position Alaskans as world leaders in Arctic issues, and amplify Alaska Native voices in Arctic policy development.

The Arctic Leadership Initiative is designed to:

- Position Alaskans as world leaders in the Arctic;
- Give students and early career professionals the foundation and network needed to lead in the changing Arctic; and
- Enhance the reputation of UA's universities as centers of Arctic expertise.

To help kick-start the initiative, the University will be awarding several **Arctic Engagement Awards**, available to faculty, staff, postdocs and graduate students.

Arctic Engagement Awards

- Purpose: Expand UA's Arctic engagement and visibility. A wide array of possible activities is eligible including research, curriculum development, student engagement, participation in a thematic network, support an exchange student, and more.
- Proposals should describe how funding will be used to expand UA's Arctic engagement and visibility.
- Priority will be given to proposals that increase impact from UA's Arctic activities, elevate UA's competitive position, and generate new partnerships and/or funding.
- Number of awards: 8 to 10 proposals will be funded.
- Award amount: \$5,000 to \$20,000 for activities between May 2024 and June 2025.
- Submissions have a three-page limit, using 12-point font. In addition, the proposal should include:
 - A budget that includes personnel, supplies, travel, and contractual services and unit business office contact (about 1 page).
 - A CV or short bio of 1-2 pages for the investigator.
 - Approval of the supervisor (dean/director) for the investigator that indicates support of the scope of the proposal and workload where appropriate.
- Deadline: April 26. Proposals will be evaluated by a committee appointed by the Vice President for Academics, Students & Research. Selections will be announced by May 10.
- All applications must be submitted via [Google Forms](#) or by emailing a PDF to the Office of Academics, Students & Research Office (sldayton2@alaska.edu). All submissions will receive an email confirmation of receipt within two business days.