



## **Announcement of Opportunity President's Arctic Professors**

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, President Pitney is creating a cohort of **President's Arctic Professors**.

### **President's Arctic Professors**

- Purpose: Showcase and advance UA's Arctic engagement in Alaska, nationally, and internationally.
- Up to three President's Arctic Professors will be recognized in this initial round.
- 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.
- The base Colleges/Institutes will receive \$40,000 annually for two academic years for the Arctic Professor's salary support.
- Recipients will support the Arctic Leadership Initiative by sharing Arctic experiences with colleagues, helping build community among postdocs and early career professionals involved in the initiative, and participating in either a fall or spring student retreat (starting in 2025).
- Proposals should describe how the recognition and funding will be used to showcase and advance UA's Arctic engagement.
- Submissions have a three-page limit, using 12-point font. Please attach a letter of support from the applicant's dean or director.
- Proposals and support letters should be emailed to the applicant's Provost and Vice Chancellor for Research by close of business on Friday, April 26. Finalists from each university will be forwarded to the University President for final selection by May 10.