

SPRING 2024  
**COMMENCEMENT**



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# THE LEGEND OF THE SEAWOLF



UAA's athletic teams were not always called the Seawolves. The original team name was the "Sourdoughs," a reference that many only associated with a kind of bread. Wanting a replacement, UAA's first athletic director and basketball coach Bob Rachal went to the library in search of inspiration, looking for something formidable and distinctive from Alaska's rich cultural history. He found what he was looking for in the Tlingit legend of Gonakadet, also known as Wasco or Sea Wolf. The man/creature in the legend was strong, generous and humble. He also had the power to transform. What better character to represent an athletic team! Rachal had found what he was looking for and used the image that accompanied the story as the first Seawolf logo in 1977.

***ONCE A SEAWOLF, ALWAYS A SEAWOLF.***





UNIVERSITY *of* ALASKA  
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# COMMENCEMENT

SPRING CLASS OF

# 2024

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024  
1 P.M.  
ALASKA AIRLINES CENTER

The University of Alaska Anchorage awards degrees and certificates in commencement ceremonies held each December and May as directed by the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska Statewide System of Higher Education. All degrees and certificates are conferred by the authority of the Board of Regents.

## THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

Oh, say, can you see,  
 By the dawn's early light,  
 What so proudly we hailed  
 At the twilight's last gleaming?  
 Whose broad stripes and bright stars,  
 Through the perilous fight,  
 O'er the ramparts we watched,  
 Were so gallantly streaming?  
 And the rockets' red glare,  
 The bombs bursting in air,  
 Gave proof through the night  
 That our flag was still there.  
 Oh, say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave  
 O'er the land of the free  
 And the home of the brave?

Francis Scott Key

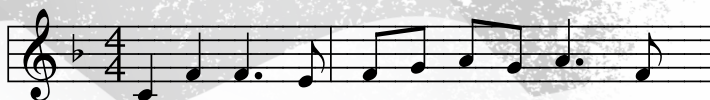
## ALASKA'S FLAG SONG

Eight stars of gold on a field of blue,  
 Alaska's flag, may it mean to you;  
 The blue of the sea, the evening sky,  
 The mountain lakes and the flow'rs nearby;  
 The gold of the early sourdough's dreams,  
 The precious gold of the hills and streams;  
 The brilliant stars in the northern sky,  
 The "Bear," the "Dipper," and, shining high,  
 The great North Star with its steady light,  
 O'er land and sea a beacon bright,  
 Alaska's flag to Alaskans dear,  
 The simple flag of a last frontier.

## UAA ALMA MATER

*Affectionately* ♩ = 66

Mark Wolbers



1. U A A, we love thy moun - tain peaks, your  
 2. U A A, re - spect the spe - cial worth, of  
 3. U A A, pre - serve your o - pen doors, a



wood - ed land, graced\_ with\_ trails and creeks. Oh,  
 each and all, let - ting truth in - fuse the Earth. Oh,  
 sec - ond chance, giv - ing hope to dreams and more. Oh,



U A A, re - call the yield - ing night, the  
 U A A, be - come the schol - ars home, a  
 U A A, help those who seek your light, the a -



gain - ing day, learn - ing strikes the shad - ows bright.  
 place of books, knowl - edge is our fu - ture gold.  
 cad - e - my, show - ing all we learn for life!

## MUSIC

### University Singers

Griffin Lindsey, Marilyn Pier and Alison Pogue  
 Directed by Dr. Mari Hahn, Professor of Music

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Processional..... Pomp and Circumstance  
Audience, please remain standing

Alaska Native Welcome..... Yurapik Drummers and Dancers

Faculty Marshal..... LuAnn Piccard  
Faculty Senate President

Presenting of the Colors..... UAA Army ROTC Color Guard

The Star-Spangled Banner..... Alison Pogue

Alaska’s Flag Song..... Griffin Lindsey and Marilyn Pier

Memorial and Moment of Silence..... Provost Denise Runge

President’s Message..... UA President Pat Pitney

Recognition of Emeritus Status  
Honorary Degree and Meritorious Service Awards..... Provost Denise Runge  
UA Board of Regents

Chancellor’s Charge to the Graduates..... Chancellor Sean Parnell

Graduate Student Speaker..... Barbara Kahula  
M.B.A. General Management

Student Speaker..... Katie Scoggin  
B.A. Political Science

Congratulations from the Faculty..... LuAnn Piccard  
Faculty Senate President

Recognition of ROTC Commissioning..... Colonel David J. Wilson  
Installation Commander, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson

Presentation of Candidates for Graduation..... Provost Denise Runge

Congratulations from the Alumni Association..... Pearl-Grace Pantaleone  
B.A. Journalism and Public Communications, 2014

UAA Alma Mater..... Griffin Lindsey, Marilyn Pier, Alison Pogue

Conferring of Degrees and Certificates..... UA Board of Regents

Recessional..... Audience, please rise

# 2024 EMERITUS

The position of emeritus is the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a full-time professor or staff member who has retired after a minimum of 10 years of faithful service to the University of Alaska.



**Talis Colberg**

*Senior Administrator Emeritus  
Mat-Su College Director*



**Elizabeth Dennison**

*Professor Emerita of History  
College of Arts and Sciences*



**Herminia Din**

*Professor Emerita of Art  
College of Arts and Sciences*



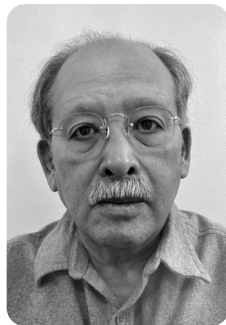
**Yuan-Fang Dong**

*Staff Emerita  
Institutional Research*



**Sandra Ehrlich-Mathiesen**

*Professor Emerita of Business Communications  
College of Business and Public Policy*



**Mariano Gonzales**

*Professor Emeritus of Art  
College of Arts and Sciences*



**Diane Hanson**

*Professor Emerita of Anthropology  
College of Arts and Sciences*



**Karen Ward**

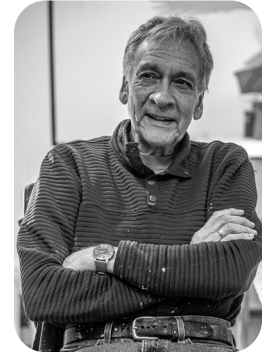
*Director Emerita  
Center for Human Development*

# HONORARY DEGREE AWARD

## ALVIN AMASON

*Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters*

Accomplished artist and educator Alvin Amason (Sugpaiq/Alutiiq) was born and raised on Kodiak Island. He grew up slogging through alder thickets, following his grandfather, bear guide Eli Metrokin, up mountainsides, and hauling in salmon-filled nets as a deckhand. These early experiences and the island's cultural traditions inspire his art.



His numerous roles include faculty positions with the Navajo Nation, Dine' College, University of Alaska, and the Visual Arts Center of Alaska. Among his most enduring and impactful roles was serving as director of Native Arts at the University of Alaska Fairbanks for 17 years before retiring and moving to Anchorage, where he joined UAA's Department of Art to develop a new Alaska Native arts curriculum and studio.

Continuing to create and exhibit his artwork, Amason remains influential in the art community. His work has been exhibited in collections around the world, including the Alutiiq Museum, Anchorage Museum, Institute of American Indian Art, the Boulogne-sur-Mer Museum in France, the Heard Museum in Phoenix, and the Smithsonian American Art Museum in Washington, D.C. Amason has also participated in international symposiums, sharing his expertise and passion for art.

In 1997, Amason was honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award by the Nature Conservancy of Alaska. In 2004, he received the Rasmuson Foundation's Individual Artist Fellowship. In 2018, he received the State of Alaska Governor's Award for Outstanding Visual Artist and the Rasmuson Foundation's Award for Distinguished Individual Artist. He has participated in several invitational exhibitions and his work has been featured in many publications.

Kodiak and his roots remain a central part of his life. He regularly returns for rest and inspiration, as well as to share his knowledge and support young artists. He has served as a board member for the Alaska State Council of the Arts, the Institute of Alaska Native Arts, and the Alaska Native Arts Foundation.

Amason's aesthetic and his reverence for the cultural practice of artmaking has made Alaska a richer place to live and work. As a trailblazer in the bridging of traditional and modern art, he has been instrumental in cultivating the idea of an Alaskan art movement.

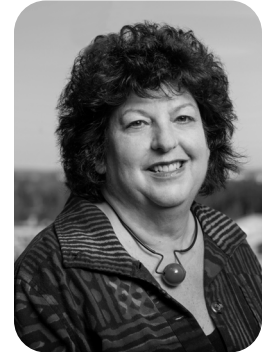


# HONORARY DEGREE AWARD

## DIANE KAPLAN

*Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters*

For nearly 30 years, Diane Kaplan set the standard for philanthropic management and giving in Alaska, starting as the only employee of a \$5 million family foundation and growing it into the largest, most powerful philanthropy in the state with an estimated \$800 million in assets and grant-making totaling \$25-30 million annually. As president and CEO of the Rasmuson Foundation, Kaplan and her staff did not simply write checks to existing do-gooders; they identified holes in Alaska’s social safety net and worked to fill them by developing support systems for the inexperienced, understaffed and under-funded.



Additionally, Kaplan ran point on a number of high-impact initiatives, including Pick. Click. Give., which most recently channeled more than \$3 million from individual Permanent Fund Dividend distributions to charity. She helped establish local foundations in communities across the state, and was a driving force behind a campaign to grow the assets of the Alaska Community Foundation to more than \$200 million. By establishing national philanthropic partnerships, Kaplan has attracted more than \$400 million in investments to Alaska projects. She engaged community members through listening sessions, formed Recover Alaska, a statewide effort to address alcohol-related issues, created a program that supports artists, and championed UAA’s Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program in its growth over two decades.

Kaplan currently serves on numerous boards, including United States Artists and the Nudlaghi Leadership Institute. Her energy and commitment have earned her many awards including the Council on Foundations Distinguished Grantmaker Award, Alaska Federation of Natives Denali Award, the Anchorage Chamber of Commerce Athena Leadership Award, Commonwealth North’s William A. Egan Distinguished Alaskan Award, and an Ally award from Tlingit Haida Central Council. Additionally, in 2022 she was awarded a residency at the Rockefeller Foundation’s Lake Como Bellagio Center in Italy. Most recently, in 2023 President Joe Biden appointed her a director of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

# MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

## IRA PERMAN

### *Meritorious Service Award*

Ira Perman is a dedicated professional with over four decades of experience in supporting the arts, humanities and community development in Alaska, embodying the spirit of selflessness and service.

As executive director of the Anchorage Concert Association for 20 years, Perman played a pivotal role in elevating the cultural experiences of countless Alaskans through exceptional music, dance and theater performances.

As president of the Alaska Humanities Forum, he championed the importance of humanities education and its impact on our society. His leadership brought about significant advancements in fostering critical thinking, cultural understanding and civic engagement within the community.

In his current role as executive director of the Atwood Foundation, he has continued to uplift the community through grants and scholarships for education and arts and journalism projects. Under his leadership, the organization has emerged as one of the largest local funders in the state, supporting organizations and individuals dedicated to cultural, educational and humanitarian causes — not the least of which is UAA.

Prior to joining the Atwood Foundation, Perman volunteered with the UAA Department of Theatre and Dance assisting with evening performances and stepping up to fill a variety of technical crew roles as needed. He continues to support and champion the arts at UAA, both personally and through his work with the foundation.

Perman's career is rich with volunteer and community service, having also served on committees and boards for the Institute of the North, Anchorage Rotary, Atwood Foundation, National Endowment for the Arts and the Association of Performing Arts Presenters.

His exceptional leadership, dedication to the arts and commitment to philanthropy have enriched the lives of Alaskans and left an enduring legacy.



# MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

## CATHY RASMUSON

### *Meritorious Service Award*

For 52 years, Cathy Rasmuson has demonstrated her love and commitment to Alaska through her generosity and community service. Since 1997, she has served on the board of directors of the Rasmuson Foundation, the mission of which is, “To promote a better life for Alaskans,” and is something she embodies every day.

Rasmuson’s influence can be felt everywhere — from Alaska’s rural villages and urban cities, to the arts and health care industry, and all throughout the UAA Anchorage campus — thousands of Alaskans have benefited from her passion for improving lives.

In 2017, Rasmuson was inducted into the Alaska Women’s Hall of Fame, with a biography that highlights her belief in recognizing one’s strengths and gifts to make the most of them. She possesses exceptional organizational and strategic thinking abilities, which have served her well in championing causes through her service on the Rasmuson Foundation and hosting numerous events, receptions and dinners for various organizations, including the Foraker Group and Sitka Fine Arts Camp.

Beyond her work with the foundation, Rasmuson has served as co-chair of the capital campaign for the Providence Cancer Center and was pivotal in establishing the Newborn Intensive Care Unit at Providence Alaska Children’s Hospital. Additionally, she has supported Catholic Social Services and McAuley Moms.

Throughout her 35 years of service, Rasmuson has sat on numerous other boards, including Alaska Children’s Services and Alaska Repertory Theatre. As Alison Kear, executive director of Covenant House Alaska, states, “Cathy tirelessly gives her time to her friends, to those in need and to the community. She is a selfless and powerful role model.”



# WELCOME

## **BARBARA KAHULA**

### *Graduate Student Speaker*

Suspicious ads on Craigslist don't usually lead to life-changing opportunities, but accounting alumna Barbara Kahula is the exception. After graduating from Wasilla High School, Kahula worked in a variety of finance jobs, always leaving for somewhere else after learning all she could from a position. Searching for her next opportunity, she responded to a vague Craigslist ad, ignoring the caution expressed by her husband. Fortunately, the ad led Kahula to a front desk position at accounting firm Laughlin, Ogle & Rodgers, LLC.



This wasn't Kahula's first encounter with accounting. In eighth grade, a certified public accountant by the name of Dan Kennedy came to her class to promote the field. She was inspired, excitedly telling her parents after school that she wanted to become a CPA when she grew up. When they cautioned her that it might not be the most interesting career, she tucked it away in the back of her mind. But after joining the firm, Kahula rediscovered how infinitely interesting accounting actually is.

"Every day is different and I'm always learning something new. I also love that I get to help people, because not everybody understands the language of accounting. So it's awesome when I can help somebody get rid of an IRS penalty or lower a tax bill, or even if I can help them understand why they owe taxes in the first place," she said.

Returning to her passion, Kahula's boss, John Rodgers, encouraged her to also return to school. A first-generation college student, she intended to only go for the associate degree in accounting, but proceeded to earn her bachelor's degree in accounting, an occupational endorsement certificate in bookkeeping, and finally a Master of Business Administration. While at UAA, Kahula was also introduced to like-minded students at the Accounting Club who shared her passion, as well as her mentors, professors Stacia Straley, Soren Orley and Teresa Stephenson.

"I'm astounded at how great the accounting community is at UAA. The professors go above and beyond to get students excited about accounting, which is a difficult task. I definitely wouldn't be getting my master's degree if I hadn't met so many awesome people in the accounting department," she said.

Kahula doesn't plan on taking a break anytime soon. Not only will she begin studying for her CPA exams, but as a member of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, she plans to give back to the Indigenous communities and organizations that helped her return to school by doing volunteer tax preparation work for low-income individuals in rural Alaska villages, as well as creating a centralized resource of scholarships available to hopeful Indigenous students like she was.

"Anything worth doing is not easy and is worth doing correctly. It doesn't matter what you have going on in your life, you can go to school if that's something you desire. There's help out there if you don't have the finances or even the familial support, and I want to serve the Indigenous community the same way they helped me and with the degree they got me," she said.

# WELCOME

## KATIE SCOGGIN

*Student Speaker*

When political science major and Spanish minor Katie Scoggin first enrolled at UAA in fall 2020 amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, everything was online. Looking for a way to connect with fellow students, she joined the sorority Alpha Sigma Alpha. That first foray into campus life led to more connections and opportunities than she ever imagined.

Scoggin, a Steller Secondary School graduate and UA Scholar who initially planned to attend college in the Lower 48 thinking it'd be "bigger and better" before deciding to stay closer to her family as the pandemic roiled the world, was surprised to find that UAA is "literally dripping with opportunity."



It wasn't long before she took on leadership roles within the sorority and UAA's Panhellenic Council. Thanks to the people she met through her involvement, she seized the opportunity to become a peer health educator with the Student Health and Counseling Center and participate in Model UN. She joined USUAA student government as a delegate for the College of Arts and Sciences and went on to serve as president during her sophomore and junior years. She lived on campus to help make the most of her undergraduate experience, working as a resident advisor since her sophomore year.

Just as her peers helped open her up to new opportunities across campus, she's grateful for the support of faculty, staff and administrators. "They care about who you are as a person, if you're being taken care of, and where you're going," said Scoggin. "They are so invested in your future. I feel like that can't be overstated enough: how much the community cares about everyone in it."

The Honors College student credits faculty and UAA's community ties with helping her land internships with the Alaska Innocence Project and the Alaska Immigration Law Center, as well as a summer job as campaign manager for Alaska House of Representatives candidate Alyse Galvin. In turn, that job connected her with Ship Creek Group, where she'll soon begin a full-time job helping to manage campaigns for Alaska legislative candidates during what's sure to be a pivotal election year.

Looking to the future, Scoggin plans to continue her journey in public service, with aspirations of pursuing an advanced degree in public policy or law. Whether through criminal defense law, immigration advocacy or other avenues, Scoggin hopes to uplift those in need and create positive change in society.

"The most important thing in life is not your academic career or monetary success," said Scoggin. "That is not nearly as rewarding and fulfilling as helping other people and giving back."

# WELCOME

Dear Seawolves,

Congratulations to the spring graduating Class of 2024! Commencement is a momentous occasion, and a milestone in your personal and academic journey. You have worked hard to get here. Your education, and the dedication you have shown, have equipped you to handle anything in pursuing your future goals. Today, we are proud to celebrate you! We celebrate who you are, what you have achieved and the opportunities awaiting you.

This year, you are a part of the 70th anniversary of the University of Alaska Anchorage. What began in 1974 has grown to become Alaska's largest university. UAA creates opportunity through education, and is a place where people from around the world come to advance their lives, careers and dreams.

Commencement marks a new beginning – a bright future – for graduates, and UAA and our Seawolf family of more than 70,000 alumni are here to support you. You can be proud to call yourself a UAA graduate, and we know that you will make a positive impact.

Congratulations!



Sean Parnell, Chancellor  
University of Alaska Anchorage



# WELCOME

Dear UAA Class of 2024,

Congratulations! Today, you join the ranks of thousands of proud University of Alaska alumni who are building, leading and innovating for Alaska's future.

Graduation is an incredible achievement. I am proud of everything you've accomplished during your time at UAA, and of all the hard work and dedication that have led you to this momentous occasion.

This realization of your potential empowers you to transform your life, seek new opportunities and achieve more than you ever imagined. The challenges you have overcome to complete your programs have prepared you to contribute to Alaska's economy and communities. Alaska needs your expertise, your vision and your passion now more than ever.

Alaska is counting on you to bring your skills and talents to your chosen profession. You are our teachers, engineers, healthcare workers and entrepreneurs. You are our leaders of tomorrow.

And while today is about you, there are many people you'll never be able to thank enough. As much as the university leadership, faculty and staff celebrate your success, nothing can compare to the support of your families, friends and loved ones.

Remember that you are not alone in your journey: you have a network of alumni, faculty, staff and supporters who are rooting for you and your success. Stay connected, curious and engaged with the world around you.

Once again, congratulations, Seawolves. I wish you all the best as you take on new challenges and opportunities. I know that you'll positively impact our state and world.

I wish you every success. Congratulations, UAA Class of 2024!

Sincerely,



Pat Pitney, President  
University of Alaska



# ACADEMIC TRADITIONS

## Robes, Mortarboards, Hoods

An academic legend tells of a wise old Greek who dressed his students in mason’s sackcloth robes with mortarboards because, “Their destiny is to build. Some will build cities, some will build lives – perhaps one of them will build an empire; but all will be builders on the solid foundation of knowledge.”

Whether or not the ancient Greek dressed his students in sackcloth and mortarboard, the academic robes worn today by graduates and faculty trace their beginnings to the mid-12th century, when small groups studied under the tutelage of a scholar (often a monk or priest). These students chose to dress in a robe similar to that of their teacher. Through the centuries, this traditional scholarly dress did not change much. Each individual scholar donned special colors, fur and fabrics, as did his students. In contrast to those Old World customs, today’s academic robe has a basic organization that allows you to identify even more about the scholar.

Today’s scholars are the university faculty. They wear academic robes with colorful hoods reminiscent of the medieval monk’s cowl. The size and colors of the hood tell the observer what discipline the scholar pursued and from which college or university he or she graduated.

UAA master’s degree graduates will be wearing their hoods today, for they have gone beyond the bachelor’s degree to learn more and become scholars. The University of Alaska Anchorage’s colors are gold and green, hence these colors on the hood. The velvet trim on the hood signifies the scholar’s field.

### Academic Regalia Colors by College

College of Arts & Sciences	Anthropology	Golden Yellow	
	Biological Sciences	Golden Yellow	
	Clinical Psychology	Golden Yellow	
	Creative Writing and Literary Arts	Brown	
	English	White	
	Interdisciplinary Studies (M.A.)	White	
	Interdisciplinary Studies (M.S.)	Golden Yellow	
	Clinical-Community Psychology (Ph.D.)	Dark Blue	
	College of Business & Public Policy	Business Administration	Drab
		Global Supply Chain Management	Golden Yellow
Public Administration		Peacock Blue	
College of Engineering		All Disciplines	Orange
	College of Health	Dietetics	Gold
	Nursing	Apricot	
	Public Health	Salmon Pink	
	Social Work	Citron	
	School of Education	Education	Light Blue



Some colleges and universities use the soft beret, but the prevailing style of cap is the traditional square mortarboard, decorated with a long tassel. You may notice some faculty wearing a soft beret-style cap.

It does not matter whether the tassel is worn on the left or right of the mortarboard, but it is often customary to change the tassel to the other side after receiving the diploma.

While you may not be able to identify the origins of each specific academic robe and hood appearing in today's commencement ceremony, you can reflect that from the certificate graduate in his black gown to the Doctor of Philosophy, students and professors alike are paying homage to more than 800 years of academic tradition.

### **University Mace**

The grand marshal carries the University of Alaska Anchorage mace in the commencement procession and places it in a stand on the stage during commencement ceremonies to signify the importance of the occasion. The UAA Alumni Association commissioned the mace in 1990 and two talented UAA employees created it. Dr. Vern Oremus, former dean of UAA's previous College of Career and Vocational Education, used a lathe to create the wooden staff and head. Professor of Art Mariano Gonzales designed and produced the sterling silver torch at the top of the mace. The mace symbolizes UAA as a university of distinction and is traditionally entrusted to the faculty in recognition of their critical role in the education of our students.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Thank you to the following people and organizations for making this a memorable celebration for our graduates and families:

The many UAA staff, faculty, alumni and student volunteers, who gave their time so generously.

UAA Army ROTC Color Guard, for the Presentation of Colors.

UAA Alumni Association, for providing the graduation gift.

UAA Disability Support Services, for providing American Sign Language interpreters.

UAA Facilities and Campus Services, for transporting supplies, organizing setup and keeping us safe.

UAA General Support Services, for coordinating printing and production of print materials.

UAA/NMS Catering, for feeding our volunteers and staff.

Seawolf Store, for sales of regalia and announcements.

UAA Robotics Club/Engineers Without Borders, for coordinating flower sales.

Yurapik Drummers and Dancers, for their Alaska heritage performance.

Bill Zervantium Photography, for capturing the magic moment for each student.

Creative Lighting and Sound, for allowing us to be heard.

Alaska Event Services, for providing our décor.

Green Connection and Evalyn's Floral, for providing our plants and flowers.

UAA Seawolf Debate, for helping serve as our voice of the ceremony.

UAA Tri Sigma, for helping as floor monitors.

# CLASS OF 2024

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

DR. JENNY MCNULTY, DEAN

\*Cum Laude, \*\*Magna Cum Laude, \*\*\*Summa Cum Laude

### DOCTORATE DEGREES

#### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

##### Clinical-Community Psychology

Adrienne Burroughs  
Emilie M. Loran  
Rebecca M. Young

### MASTER'S DEGREES

#### MASTER OF ARTS

##### Anthropology

Christine E. Brummer  
Emily S. Corley  
Aren M. Rosholt

##### Applied Anthropology

Hilary C. Huffman

##### English

Shauna M. Grant

#### MASTER OF SCIENCE

##### Biological Sciences

Kori S. Orion

##### Clinical Psychology

Brianna J. Chonos  
Ashley B. Huhndorf  
Alicia L. Locke  
Melinda P. Martin

##### Interdisciplinary Studies

Olivia R. Grill  
David Ince  
John J. Johnston  
Patrick A. D. Pragman

### GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

#### Children's Mental Health

Jasmine C. Auza  
Alicia L. Locke  
Melinda P. Martin

### BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

#### BACHELOR OF ARTS

##### Anthropology

Harry P. Bryan  
Beau J. Feckley  
Daniel A. Fenton  
Analouise M. Hoseth\*  
Sareena R. C. Jimenez  
Elizabeth M. Kell  
Cammryn Reagan\*  
Rose P. Thao

##### Art

Justin L. Cox  
Natalie J. Dombroski  
Osmairis Fulgencio-Filpo  
Theodore E. Kincaid  
Tatiana A. Petrykiewicz

##### Biological Sciences

Daniel L. Carter\*  
Ericka N. Seaton  
Cemiya C. Torres

##### English

Micaiah L. Anderson-Michaud\*  
Jaylyn H. Antonio  
Keila J. Aurelio  
Caden J. Boyer\*\*  
Alexander G. Cillpadraic\*  
Breanna M. Erwin  
Kerri L. Erwin  
Caleb L. Griffin  
Hannah L. Kilbourne\*\*

Larissa M. I. Mariscal  
Katalyna Moua\*  
Jean P. Plantier  
Antionette M. Street

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Claire A. Childs  
Bradly O. Cobban\*  
Trisha J. Davis\*  
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Allison P. Bradbury  
Sydney Carter  
Corinne J. Charmack  
Danielle R. Civitello  
Ja'leie D. Edwards  
Camden R. Ensign  
Judith F. Horcsik  
Carolyn K. Loeffler  
Carly E. Lyle  
Brandi L. Mayo  
Nicole P. McKenzie  
Autumn M. Merrill  
Taniesha R. Moses  
Erica L. Nielsen  
Cheryl L. Offt  
Joseph D. Oliver  
Maurice A. Parker  
Alix Polanski  
Gabriela A. Ross  
Katelyn G. Saft  
Danielle L. Self  
Javed M. Shah  
Rashanda M. Smith  
Magen M. Spencer  
Fred P. Sweetski  
Lori Syverson  
Leah Umana  
Mark K. Williams  
Makayla M. Wilson  
Laney J. Zimmerman

## BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

### BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

Jacob M. Belanger\*  
Justin D. Bradley  
Megan Calloway\*\*  
Courtney Duffin\*  
Alexandra B. Forrest  
Deirdre R. Goins\*  
Esme L. Imgrund  
Madison M. Johnson  
Victoria M. Malvick  
Alyssa Manley\*\*  
Madison K. Martinez  
Savannah M. Shanigan  
Sofija Spaic\*  
Hope B. Wells  
Erica Yi

# CLASS OF 2024

## COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE

DR. RAY WEBER, DEAN

\*Cum Laude, \*\*Magna Cum Laude, \*\*\*Summa Cum Laude

### BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

#### BACHELOR OF ARTS

##### Communication

Geneva Lei P. Luteria\*  
Vishe' Rabb\*

#### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

##### Applied Technologies Leadership

Alexander L. Beitter\*  
Kylee Boone  
Matthew Garcia\*  
Emily B. Jones  
Logan M. Miller\*  
Ryan S. Nelson\*  
Paul K. Smith\*  
Jessie K. Tank

##### Aviation Technology

Christian W. Alton\*  
Bradley A. Carman\*  
Brian Gieselmann  
Kevin D. Hubbard  
Nicholas I. Jenkins  
Nazanin Khansari  
Gabriel J. King\*  
Allison R. Klebs  
Jeremy B. Luce  
Matthew C. Moglianesi\*  
Kai L. Penn\*  
Stephen G. Reynolds\*  
Ghinali S. Seyrak\*\*

##### Construction Management

Owen E. Bauer  
Eric A. Hewitt  
Charity J. Koland

##### Occupational Safety and Health

Rane Joseph

### ASSOCIATE DEGREES

#### ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

##### Air Traffic Control

Victoria Da Rocha Simmons  
Brin J. Sterling\*

##### Architectural and Engineering Technology

Katlyn Maddry  
Justin D. McKeown II

##### Automotive Technology

Clare A. Howell  
Arta S. Jordan  
Cishon A. R. Little

##### Aviation Maintenance Technology

Karl J. Coulombe  
Tahner D. Record  
Cameron J. Vest

##### Computer Systems and Networking Technology

Spencer G. Adams  
Jamal S. Hopson  
Timothy J. Hutchcraft

##### Construction Management

Stephen Autry

##### Culinary Arts

Devin-Rose M. Andersen

##### Diesel Power Technology

Derrick G. Bell

##### Professional Piloting

Jacob W. Larson\*  
Sean M. Thorne\*

##### Technology

Andrew J. Cookson

### CERTIFICATES

#### Automotive Technology

Quinnton McDonald

#### Aviation Maintenance Technology, Airframe

Gabriel A. Daley  
Jacob M. Mechell  
Asam A. Munye  
Cameron J. Vest

#### Aviation Maintenance Technology, Powerplant

Rhea Allingham  
Adrian Cantu  
Michael A. Connelly  
Karl J. Coulombe  
Gabriel A. Daley  
Joshua M. Griswold  
Jeremi Harleston  
Aaron R. Johanknecht  
Daniel Joubert  
Maggie C. Keffalos  
Zachary Lounsberry  
Tanner J. Lyons  
Jacob M. Mechell  
Clint Hussin A. Micabalo  
Asam A. Munye  
Tahner D. Record  
Peter J. Reddington  
Eduardo Salazar Jr.  
Sergey P. Trofimovich

### OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATES

#### Advanced Welding

Shane Finney

#### Baking and Pastry Arts

Jason T. Custer

#### IT Support Desk Technician

Brayden Brossow

#### Nondestructive Testing Technology

Randi L. Deboy

#### Safety Specialist

Edward F. Anger  
Raven J. J. K. Kahula

#### Welding

Travis L. Dawson  
Shane Finney  
Melvin Pavala

# CLASS OF 2024

## UNIVERSITY HONORS COLLEGE

DR. RAY BALL, INTERIM DEAN

\*Cum Laude, \*\*Magna Cum Laude, \*\*\*Summa Cum Laude

University Honors College Scholars are students who have completed all of the requirements of their disciplinary college and of their University Honors College academic program. University Honors College Scholars are wearing a green and gold twisted honor cord, plus an additional gold honor cord signifying traditional Latin honors.

† Global & Multicultural Studies Track, †† Leadership Track, ††† Research & Creative Activity Track

### UNIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLARS

#### COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

##### BACHELOR OF ARTS

###### Political Science

Emma T. Mullet\*\*\* ††  
Katherine J. Scoggin\*\*\* ††  
Caleb Anthony A. Yabes\*\* ††

###### International Studies

Hannah Bisset†††  
Ella L. Bryner\*\*\* ††

###### Psychology

Angelica J. Firmin\* †††

##### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

###### Chemistry

Cierra N. Brassfield\*\* †††

#### COLLEGE OF HEALTH

##### BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

###### Social Work

Hope B. Wells†††

#### COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND PUBLIC POLICY

##### BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

###### Economics

Coleman H. Nash\*\*\*††

#### COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

##### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

###### Civil Engineering

Katherine E. Sakeagak†††

###### Mechanical Engineering

Devin P. Higgins\*\* †††

# GRADUATING WITH HONORS

## UNIVERSITY HONORS

Associate and baccalaureate degree students expected to graduate with honors in spring 2024 are wearing a gold honor cord. Throughout the program, they are recognized by the stars next to their names. Honors are indicated as follows:

Cum Laude\*                      Magna Cum Laude\*\*                      Summa Cum Laude\*\*\*

To be eligible to graduate with honors, associate and baccalaureate degree-seeking students must first earn a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or above in all college work attempted at UAA. A transfer student who is earning an associate degree must complete a minimum of 15 resident credits with academic letter grades to be eligible to graduate with honors. A transfer student who is earning a baccalaureate degree must complete a minimum of 30 resident credits with academic letter grades to be eligible to graduate with honors. All transfer students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or above in all college work attempted both at UAA and at all other accredited institutions attended and for all courses used to fulfill the degree program in order to graduate with honors. At UAA, graduation with honors represents a student's entire academic history. All grades and credits earned will be included in determining eligibility to graduate with honors (Ds, Fs, retaken courses, courses lost in academic bankruptcy, etc.). In addition, a student transferring coursework and grades must have a minimum of 70 percent of their credits submitted with letter grades to be eligible to graduate with honors. Honors are awarded to associate and baccalaureate degree students with cumulative GPAs as follows:

*Cum Laude.....	3.50 to 3.79
**Magna Cum Laude.....	3.80 to 3.99
***Summa Cum Laude.....	4.00

## DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

### ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Accounting, students must be a declared Associate of Applied Science in Accounting or Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting major; satisfy all degree requirements for their degree program; meet the requirements for graduation with honors as published in the UAA catalog; complete 50% of business credits at UAA; and graduate with a cumulative UAA GPA of 3.75 or higher.

Kyla Kate Bazar\*                      Malakhai A. Faitala\*\*                      Sterling T. Huntington\*\*  
 Feng Lin\*\*                      LaReina J. Oskolkoff                      Megan E. Schroeder\*  
 Angela M. Simmons\*                      Zachary G. Smith\*

### ANTHROPOLOGY DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Anthropology, students must be a declared anthropology major. In addition, students must satisfy all requirements for a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology, maintain a GPA of 3.50 or above in program courses and complete a senior thesis project based on library, laboratory or field research resulting in a substantial, thesis-quality paper defended before the anthropology faculty.

Cammryn Reagan\*

### CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Chemistry, students must be a declared chemistry major; satisfy all requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Chemistry; meet the requirements for graduation with honors as published in the UAA catalog; and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.50 in chemistry classes. In addition, students must complete, with distinction, a written assignment in the style of a chemical journal based on the research performed by the student or publicly present their research findings at a conference. Students must notify the Departmental Honors Committee in writing at the time they file their Application for Graduation with the Office of the Registrar that they intend to graduate with departmental honors.

Cierra N. Brassfield\*\*

### CIVIL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Civil Engineering, students must complete all requirements for a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. In addition, the student must successfully complete 30 credits applicable to the civil engineering degree with a GPA of 3.30 and be an active member for at least one year of both a national and an on-campus student chapter of a professional engineering society that addresses issues relevant to the civil engineering profession. The student must also either complete a design or research project, including an oral and written report, or document a minimum of eight weeks' work experience in an engineering or engineering-related position, or pass the Fundamentals of Engineering Exam.

Jillian G. Holland\*\*

Bora Lena\*\*  
Katherine E. Sakeagak

Dianny A. Melgar\*

### COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Computer Science, students must be a declared computer science major, meet the requirements for graduation with honors as published in the UAA catalog, satisfy all requirements for a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or above in their major requirements. In addition, students must complete 12 upper-division credits required for the major in residence.

Ashton R. Curry\*  
Jaren B. Ramirez

Hiromi P. Kageyama  
Mya C. Schroder\*\*\*

Rane M. Murphy\*

### COMPUTER SYSTEMS ENGINEERING DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Computer Systems Engineering, students must be a declared computer systems engineering major, meet the requirements for graduation with honors as published in the UAA catalog, satisfy all requirements for a Bachelor of Science in Computer Systems Engineering and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or above in their major requirements. In addition, students gain approval for, complete and present a design or research project prior to applying for graduation. The project proposal, presentation and final written report must be approved by the program faculty.

Mika L. Brassfield\*\*

Mya C. Schroder\*\*\*

### **ECONOMICS DEPARTMENTAL HONORS**

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Economics, students must be a declared economics major. In addition, students must meet requirements for a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Business Administration in Economics, maintain a GPA of 3.50 or above in their major requirements, complete ECON A492 Seminar in Economics Research with a grade of A or complete a research paper with a grade of A that demonstrates independent economic research in a semester-length independent study course.

Emily K. Antoune\*\*

Coleman H. Nash\*\*\*

Hahna M. Wood\*\*

### **ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENTAL HONORS**

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Electrical Engineering, students must be a declared electrical engineering major and complete all program requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering. In addition, students must be an active member of both a national and an on-campus student chapter of a professional engineering society, maintain a GPA of 3.50 or above in all courses applicable to the Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, and gain approval for, complete, and present a design/research project prior to applying for graduation.

Ludomi A. Wojtkowski

Stephen Y. Yi\*

### **ENGLISH DEPARTMENTAL HONORS**

To graduate with Departmental Honors in English, students must be a declared English major. In addition, students must meet requirements for a Bachelor of Arts in English, maintain a GPA of 3.50 or above in all program requirements, complete 6 credits of 400-level topics courses, and complete ENGL A499 English Honors Thesis.

Keila J. Aurelio

Katalyna Moua\*

### **FINANCE DEPARTMENTAL HONORS**

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Finance, students must be a declared finance major. In addition, students must meet requirements for a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance and maintain a GPA of 3.75 or above in their major requirements.

Benjamin Almquist\*

Clinton W. Boyer\*

### **GEOMATICS DEPARTMENTAL HONORS**

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Geomatics, students must be a declared geomatics B.S. major and complete all major requirements. In addition, students must maintain a GPA of 3.50 or above in all courses required by the major and a cumulative GPA of 3.30 or above, complete a minimum of 30 resident credits with academic letter grades, be an active member for at least one year of a national or an on-campus student chapter of a professional geomatics society, document a minimum of eight weeks work experience in an engineering or geospatial science-related position, or pass geomatics profession-related exams or certifications.

Daniel Coon

Michael C. Smith\*

### HISTORY DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in History, students must be a declared history major. In addition, students must meet the major requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in History, meet the requirements for graduation with honors as published in the UAA catalog, maintain a GPA of 3.50 or above in courses specific to the History major, complete HIST A377 Historiography with a grade of A and complete the senior seminar paper in HIST A477 with a grade of A.

Bradly O. Cobban\*  
Rachel M. Nill\*

Trisha J. Davis\*  
Ralph Sumagang\*

Shelby L. Fuller\*\*  
Drew E. Wimmerstedt\*

### HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Human Services, students must be a declared human services major. In addition, students must meet the major requirements for a Bachelor of Human Services, and maintain a GPA of 3.50 in all upper-division human services courses.

Pamela L. Freeman

Jennifer D. McGlaughlin

Annika D. Sullivan

### INTERNATIONAL STUDIES DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in International Studies, students must be a declared international studies major. In addition, students must meet all major requirements for Bachelor of Arts in International Studies, maintain a GPA of 3.80 in courses applicable to the degree requirements, complete eight credits of a language at the 300 level, and complete either ENGL A440 Topics in Comparative Literature, GEOG A390A Topics in Global Geography, PHIL A400 Ethics, Community, and Society, or SOC A380 Sociology of Globalization with a grade of A.

Ella L. Bryner\*\*\*

Gavin O. Taylor\*

### JOURNALISM AND PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Journalism and Public Communications, students must be a declared journalism and public communications major and complete the major requirements. In addition, students must maintain a GPA of 3.50 or above in courses applicable to the major and complete JPC A403 Communications and Media Research, or JPC A492 Capstone Seminar with a grade of A or B.

Ava L. White\*

### JUSTICE DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

The Justice Center awards Departmental Honors for outstanding achievement in the study of justice. To graduate with Justice Honors, students must meet the requirements for a Bachelor of Arts in Justice. In addition, students must earn a 3.20 or above cumulative GPA (including a minimum 3.50 Justice Major GPA), and complete a Justice GER integrated capstone, e.g. JUST A460 or JUST A463, with an honor grade (A).

Alejo Marin\*\*

Braden J. Shackelford\*



### KINESIOLOGY DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Kinesiology, students must be declared a Kinesiology major. In addition, students must successfully satisfy all requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology, meet the requirements for graduation with honors as published in the UAA catalog, maintain an overall UAA GPA of 3.50, and complete an advisor-approved project.

Aidan R. Bailey

Talia Folino\*

Brooklyn D. M. Kopsack\*\*

### LANGUAGES DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Languages, students must be a declared languages major. In addition, students must successfully satisfy all requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Languages, meet the requirements for graduation with honors as published in the UAA catalog, maintain an overall UAA GPA of 3.80, and maintain a 3.90 in courses taken in the primary language option beyond A302.

Ella L. Bryner\*\*\*

Kaylee J. King\*\*

Patrick D. Wisdom\*

### MECHANICAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Mechanical Engineering, students must be a declared mechanical engineering major and complete all program requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering. In addition, students must maintain a GPA of 3.50 or above in all courses applicable to the Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, and gain approval for, complete, and present a design/research project prior to applying for graduation.

Jacob A. Bodolosky\*\*  
Paxton Crum\*

Christopher W. Carter\*  
Devin P. Higgins\*\*  
Osias-Jonathan M. Salem\*\*

Jason R. Copper\*\*  
Jacob P. Keith

### POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Political Science, students must be declared political science majors. In addition, students must successfully satisfy all requirements for a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science, maintain a GPA of 3.50 or above in courses applicable to the major, complete PS A492 Senior Seminar in Politics with honor grades of A or B, and receive honors scores (based upon criteria established by the department) on a comprehensive examination for majors.

Jamie L. Conlan\*\*  
Geneva Lei P. Luteria\*  
Katherine J. Scoggin\*\*\*

Andrea A. Guevara\*\*\*  
Emma T. Mullet\*\*\*  
Gavin O. Taylor\*

Melissa K. Lozano Gonzalez\*  
Shannon E. O'Hare\*\*  
Caleb Anthony A. Yabes\*\*

### PRO BONO SERVICE HONORS

The Justice Center awards Pro Bono Service Honors to those Legal Studies students who work toward improving access to justice by contributing significant volunteer service to approved Alaska legal aid agencies. Students graduating with Pro Bono Service Honors may be recognized by their purple honor cord.

Madison J. Varnado\*\*

### PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Psychology, students must be a declared psychology major. In addition, students must successfully satisfy all requirements for a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science in Psychology, maintain an overall GPA of 3.50 or above, complete PSY A499 Senior Thesis, which must be approved in advance by the Undergraduate Studies Committee and carried out by following applicable departmental guidelines, and successfully complete one additional capstone. Students must also notify the Departmental Honors Committee in writing, on or before the date they file their application for graduation with the Office of the Registrar, of their intention to graduate with departmental honors.

Spring E. Larrow

### SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

To graduate with Departmental Honors in Social Work, students must be a declared social work major. In addition, students must complete a minimum of 30 Bachelor of Social Work major credits at UAA, earn a GPA of 3.75 or above in upper-division courses specific to the social work major.

Megan Calloway\*\*  
Madison M. Johnson  
Madison K. Martinez

Courtney Duffin\*  
Victoria M. Malvick  
Hope B. Wells

Esme L. Imgrund  
Alyssa Manley\*\*

## HONOR SOCIETIES

### BETA GAMMA SIGMA

Beta Gamma Sigma was founded as a national organization in 1913. Membership in Beta Gamma Sigma is the highest recognition a business student anywhere in the world can receive in an undergraduate or master's program at a school accredited by AACSB International – The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. AACSB-accredited schools are recognized as the top business schools in the world; only 5% of schools pass their rigorous standards for quality. To be eligible for membership, a student must be in the top 10% of the undergraduate class or in the top 20% of the graduate class. The mission of Beta Gamma Sigma is to encourage and honor academic achievement and personal excellence in the study and practice of business. Beta Gamma Sigma also strives to foster in its members an enduring commitment to the principles and values of the Society: honor and integrity. Beta Gamma Sigma members may be recognized by a blue and gold honor cord.

Benjamin Almquist\*  
Maksim S. Chepurko  
Feng Lin  
Ilsa A. Schwarzburg

Traci Bauder  
Chase D. Givens  
Sophie MacMaster  
Christopher T. Williams

Bakari Bishop  
Zarina M. Kolodii  
Vera Pluharova  
Hahna M. Wood\*\*

### DELTA ALPHA PI INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Delta Alpha Pi International Honor Society (DAPI) is an academic honor society founded to recognize high-achieving students with disabilities who are attending colleges (including community colleges) and universities as undergraduate or graduate students. Founded in 2004 at East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania, DAPI is open to undergraduate and graduate students with disabilities. Students initiated into Delta Alpha Pi International Honor Society must have completed 24 undergraduate credits and have an overall GPA of 3.10, or 18 graduate credits and a GPA of 3.30. Students must self-identify as an individual with a disability and demonstrate an interest in disability issues. Delta Alpha Pi International Honor Society (DAPI) is an opportunity for students with disabilities to be recognized for their academic accomplishments. The honor society helps facilitate leadership, advocacy and education for all students who choose to participate and help change negative perceptions associated with disabilities.

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|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Hannah Bissett        | Clinton W. Boyer*    | Amber M. Bridgeman     |
| Joseph M. Donald Jr.  | Ashley C. Fuller     | Traci L. Henson        |
| Karen Ann A. Lee      | Alexandra N. McNinch | Viviana Molina-Rendon* |
| Kristen A. Mrozowski* | Kylie E. Reese       | Engen A. Sundberg      |
| Jessie K. Tank        | Stephen Y. Yi**      |                        |

### PHI ALPHA

The Phi Alpha National Honor Society, Epsilon Chi Chapter, serves to promote a closer bond among students of social work and to enter into more intimate fellowship with those dedicated to the promotion of humanitarian goals and ideals by a professional group for which quality educational preparation is deemed imperative. Students and faculty involved in social work education at the University of Alaska Anchorage foster high standards of education for social work and invite into membership those who have attained excellence of scholarship and distinction of achievement as students of social work. Students in Phi Alpha may be recognized by a medallion on a royal blue and light gold ribbon.

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|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Karragh L. Y. Arndt | Jasmine C. Auza     | Allison P. Bradbury   |
| Megan Calloway**    | Corinne J. Charmack | Danielle R. Civitello |
| Esme L. Imgrund     | Brandi L. Mayo      | Autumn M. Merrill     |
| Taniesha R. Moses   | Erica L. Nielsen    | Cheryl L. Offt        |
| Rashanda M. Smith   | Fred P. Sweetski    | Lori Syverson         |
| Leah Umana          | Hope B. Wells       | Laney J. Zimmerman    |

### PHI ALPHA THETA

Phi Alpha Theta is a professional society whose mission is to promote the study of history through the encouragement of research, good teaching, publication and the exchange of learning and ideas among historians. We seek to bring students and teachers together for intellectual and social exchanges, which promote and assist historical research and publication by our members in a variety of ways. Undergraduate students must complete a minimum of 12 semester hours (four courses) in History. Membership in UAA's chapter requires a minimum GPA of 3.1 in History and 3.0 GPA.

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| Trisha J. Davis* | Shelby L. Fuller** | Rachel M. Nill* |
|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|

## PSI CHI

Psi Chi, the National Honor Society in Psychology, is an affiliate of the American Psychology Association and the American Psychological Society. It was founded in 1929 for the purpose of encouraging, stimulating and maintaining excellence in scholarship and advancing the science of psychology. Membership is limited to graduate and undergraduate students who are making the study of psychology one of their major interests and who meet rigorous qualifications. Students in Psi Chi may be recognized by an intertwined platinum and dark blue honor cord.

Jackylyn I. Callister*	Haley B. N. Duryea*	Margaret C. Dworlan*
Robin M. Frost	Chelsea E. M. Johnson	Spring E. Larrow
Emily S. Montanez**	Marilynn V. Nashalook**	Laurel L. Pfeffer*

## LEADERSHIP HONORS

### UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP HONORS

Leadership Honors are awarded to recognize and honor the effort of an individual who has maintained academic excellence and whose leadership has significantly contributed to the University of Alaska Anchorage. The leadership contributions of these honorees have enhanced the educational mission of UAA and promoted individual and collective growth, thereby enhancing student life at UAA. Recipients of UAA Leadership Honors may be recognized by a crimson honor cord.

Hannah Bissett	Ella L. Bryner***	Maksim S. Chepurko
Steven G. Hobbs	Geneva Lei P. Luteria*	Katherine J. Scoggin***
Jocella Grace R. Thompson*	Madison J. Varnado**	Caleb Anthony A. Yabes**

# COMMENCEMENT COMMITTEE

Special thanks to this year's commencement committee,  
whose dedication and hard work made this celebration possible.

- Diane Abo . . . . . Facilities Maintenance & Operations
- Dan Anteau . . . . . Professor, Lighting, Sound & Management, Fine Arts Recital Hall
- Chelsea Avichayil . . . . . Social Media Coordinator, University Advancement
- Phillip Bacher . . . . . Associate Director, Maintenance & Operations
- Chris Borst . . . . . Director, Facilities Maintenance & Operations
- Keenan Britt . . . . . Digital Communications Specialist, University Advancement
- Marian Bruce . . . . . Director, Faculty Services
- Ryan Buen. . . . . Wendy Williamson Auditorium
- Lindsey Chadwell . . . . . Registrar
- Zac Clark. . . . . Associate Director, Student Life and Leadership
- Grant Cochran . . . . . Professor and Chair, Department of Music
- Wayne Cook . . . . . University Police Department
- Maile Davis . . . . . Enterprise Applications
- Jon Dyson. . . . . General Manager, Alaska Airlines Center
- Jeff Earle . . . . . Chief of University Police Department
- James Evans . . . . . Chief Photographer/Videographer, University Advancement
- Mary Jo Finney. . . . . Graduate School Dean
- Grace Gallagher . . . . . Governance Coordinator
- Agapito "Pete" Garcia. . . . . Custodial Supervisor, Facilities and Campus Services
- Molly Gray. . . . . Committee Chair, Institutional Events Manager, University Advancement
- Mari Hahn. . . . . Professor of Music, Department of Music
- Reba Hale . . . . . Assistant Registrar
- Michelle Hansen . . . . . Executive Assistant to the Executive Director of Advancement
- Joe Howell . . . . . Systems & Fiscal Administrator, Facilities and Campus Services
- Shelley James . . . . . Communications Specialist, Office of the Chancellor
- Matt Jardin. . . . . Communications Specialist, University Advancement
- Steve Johnson . . . . . Associate Professor of Communication and  
Discourse Studies, Director of Seawolf Debate Program
- Raegan Kelliher . . . . . Executive Assistant to the Chancellor
- Banky Kitchpanich . . . . . Web Applications Engineer

# COMMENCEMENT COMMITTEE

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- Anne Lazenby . . . . . Director, Disability Support Services
- Eric Lopez . . . . . Project Manager, Facilities Planning and Construction
- Austin Magalong . . . . . General Support Services, Copy & Print Design
- Kimberly Mahoney . . . . . Associate Vice Chancellor, Facilities and Campus Services
- Cindy Marshall . . . . . General Manager, Event Services
- Julia Martinez . . . . . Director of Alumni & Community Engagement
- Chris McConnell . . . . . Director, Facilities Planning and Construction
- Brandon McKinney . . . . . Operations Manager, Alaska Airlines Center
- Isabel Mead . . . . . Manager, Seawolf Store
- Phillip Shane Mitchell . . . . . Wendy Williamson Auditorium
- Kara Monroe . . . . . Grounds and Landscaping Supervisor, Facilities Maintenance & Operations
- Catalina Myers . . . . . Communications Specialist, University Advancement
- Joe Nedland . . . . . Art Director, University Advancement
- Austin Osborne . . . . . Director of Marketing and Communications, University Advancement
- Natalie Page . . . . . Disability Support Services
- LuAnn Piccard . . . . . Faculty Senate President
- Tanya Pont . . . . . Executive Director, University Advancement
- Brenna Povelite . . . . . Disability Support Services
- Brett Rawalt . . . . . Graphic Designer, University Advancement
- Michelle Saport . . . . . Writer and Communications Specialist, University Advancement
- Sam Sargent . . . . . Degree Completion Specialist
- Savanna Schmidt . . . . . Event Services
- Aja Stewart . . . . . General Support Services, Copy & Print
- Eric Stratton . . . . . Alaska Airlines Center
- Taylor Tucker . . . . . Degree Completion Specialist
- Keith Turner . . . . . Facilities Maintenance and Operations
- William Valentine . . . . . Seawolf Store
- Renae Werner . . . . . Alumni and Community Engagement Manager

# Congratulations to the Class of 2024!

Dear UAA Graduates,

As you stand on the brink of a new chapter, poised to step into the world as graduates of UAA, I extend my heartfelt congratulations on this remarkable achievement. Today, you are not just closing a chapter; you are opening the door to a world of infinite possibilities.

Allow me to share a guiding principle for your upcoming journey: Think outside the box. This phrase, commonly associated with fostering creativity, holds profound significance as you enter the realm beyond academia. It has been a guiding light for me personally, complemented by a steadfast faith in Jesus and a determination to never confine myself to limitations. Along my path, I've encountered numerous triumphs and challenges, and I've persevered with the help and support of others.

As you go out into the world, remember this: Do not put yourself in a box. Your potential is limitless, and your capabilities extend far beyond any preconceived boundaries. Embrace your unique strengths, passions and aspirations without confinement. Your individuality is your greatest asset, and it is the key to unlocking doors you may not have imagined.

Equally important, do not put others in a box. Embrace diversity in all its forms – in thoughts, perspectives and backgrounds. The richness of our world lies in its tapestry of differences. Engage with others openly, learn from their experiences and appreciate the beauty that emerges when unique voices come together. And perhaps most crucially, please do not let anyone put you in a box. Society may have expectations, norms and standards, but you are not defined by them. Your journey is yours to shape, and your narrative is written by the choices you make. Be brave in breaking free from constraints and be relentless in pursuing the path that aligns with your dreams and convictions. Thinking outside the box is not just about individuality, it's about creating a larger and greater collaboration and learning space. The world needs your fresh perspectives, innovative ideas and collaborative spirit.

As you leave the familiar confines of academia, remember that outside the box is not a limitation but a vast and unexplored landscape of opportunity. It represents a canvas where you can paint the masterpiece of your life, so do so using all you have learned here at this great institution UAA to create a professional and economic landscape that is extraordinary.

Congratulations, Class of 2024! May you navigate this uncharted territory with courage, resilience and an unwavering commitment to thinking outside the box.

Sincerely,



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