

FY25 UAF LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

UAF's legislative priorities are separated into operating and capital priorities. These funding priorities have been approved by the UA president and the UA Board of Regents. Your advocacy can help UAF expand our impact and improve the quality of our services for students.

UAF Operating Budget / Program Priority	Program Need	What will this funding do?	How will this impact UAF/Alaska?
Academic Excellence for Industry: Energy Resource Engineering, Wildlife Biology, Marine Policy, Economics & Healthcare Management	\$425K	Help UAF grow in high demand areas – from energy resource engineering and wildlife biology to marine policy, economics and healthcare management.	Attract industry partners and meet modern workforce expectations for training skilled professionals.
Student Well-Being: Mental Health and Counseling Support Services	\$550K	Enable UAF to offer students access to a 24-hour comprehensive telemedicine and wellness program.	Increased student wellness, retention and success. Better meet the increased demand for mental health support.
Ensuring Alaska's Food Security	\$425K	Add agricultural research faculty in UAF's Institute of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Extension.	Improve food security, sustainability and independence to strengthen food systems and provide an economic boost for the state.
International Recruitment and Graduate Student Support	\$325K	Invest in visa and immigration document processing to serve the result of the R1 strategy.	8 admission and degree progression.
Indigenous Leadership, Humanities and Social Sciences	\$400K	Add faculty and staff support for Indigenous studies Ph.D. and Alaska Native language programs.	Supports the UA Board of Regents' Alaska Native Success Initiative and advances UAF as a global leader in Indigenous studies.
Student Retention and Strategic Enrollment Initiatives	\$400K	Supports degree completion for Alaskans who have some college but no degree, and grows the Honors College.	O enrollment cycle and maximize the value of recruitment marketing, scholarship and academics.
Increasing Alaska's Competitiveness – UAF Division I Nanook Hockey	\$2.5M	Support Division I Nanook hockey and student-athlete scholarships.	Help recruit students from Alaska, the lower 48 and abroad to ensure, and ensure in-state competition.

