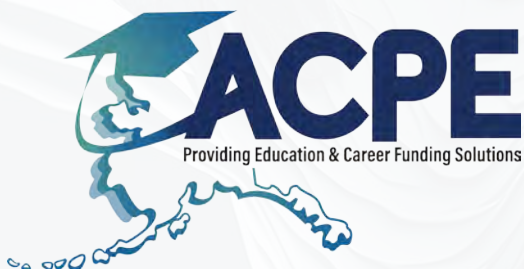


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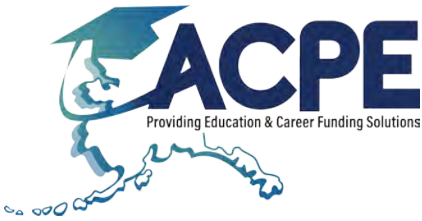


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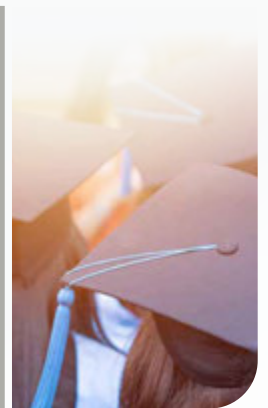
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Governor Mike Dunleavy  
STATE OF ALASKA

January 16, 2024

Dear Alaskan,

Education and career training is a deeply personal choice made by Alaskans and their families. The recent passage and implementation of the Alaska Reads Act and the efforts that local school districts and educators are making is improving educational outcomes, but there is still much more that can be accomplished. It is encouraging to see that Alaskans are willing to do the work that needs to be done to ensure all our students are reading and ready to enter the workforce.



The 2024 Alaska Higher Education Almanac, prepared by the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE) provides critical data and insights about educational and career training in our State. The Almanac is a comprehensive resource for Alaska's leaders to utilize in moving forward responsive policies to align education and training opportunities with Alaskans and Alaska's workforce needs.

Alaskans are the greatest resource in Alaska. It is our people who will move this Great State forward. Collectively, we will find creative and meaningful solutions to current education and economic challenges to create a stronger future for generations to come.

I encourage you to review the 2024 Higher Education Almanac and identify your role in effecting positive, impactful change for Alaska's education and workforce landscape. We all have a part to play in helping Alaskans gain the valuable education and skills they need for us to responsibly develop our resources and grow Alaska's economy.

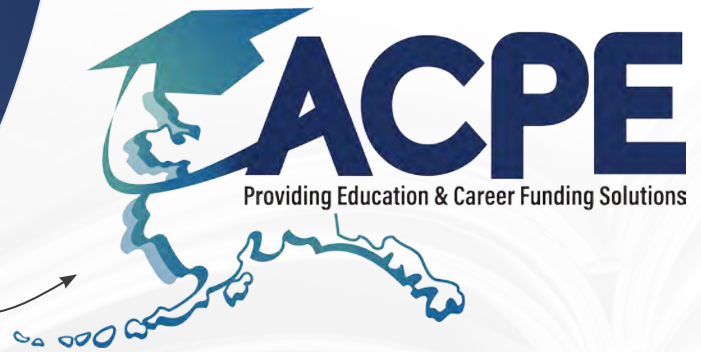
Thank you for your commitment and service to education and workforce development in Alaska.

Sincerely,

Mike Dunleavy  
Governor

# ACPE & THE COMMISSION

ACPE's **NEW** Look



## The Commission

The Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE) was created by the Alaska Legislature in **1974** to centralize planning for higher education and administer financial aid programs.

In 1987, the Legislature established the **Alaska Student Loan Corporation (ASLC)**, which funds the Commission's programs and services. The following responsibilities and authorities, established in law, frame the Commission's overarching mission to **provide sustainable solutions for college, career and technical training**:

- 1 | *Supports the growth & development of postsecondary programs*
- 2 | *Assesses educational outcomes*
- 3 | *Administers financial aid programs & interstate education compact programs*
- 4 | *Advises on consortia and cooperative agreements among Alaska postsecondary institutions*
- 5 | *Regulates & ensures compliance of postsecondary institutions as the state agency required by federal higher education law*

## ACPE's **NEW** Vision & Mission

### THE VISION

Alaskans are educated and skilled contributors to our vibrant communities and economy.

In building a vision for the future, it is important to us to **focus on our primary stakeholders – Alaskan residents**. Ensuring a path of opportunity for Alaskans to increase their skills and knowledge to support a better life for themselves and their family is paramount.

Our vision **starts with the individual and expands to encompass the whole of Alaska** touching every community and the larger economy of the State. We know that a robust workforce supports a thriving economy, and a large piece of that puzzle is **education and skill building**.

The key to achieving this future state is **ensuring that Alaskans have access to the education and training** they need to pursue a career of their choice supporting families and communities right here in Alaska.

### THE MISSION

ACPE provides sustainable solutions for college, career and technical training.

We champion individuals and families through **broad access to federal and state programs, grants, scholarships, and loans** together with the **tools and resources** that allow them to make informed decisions about funding their education.

As the **Higher Education Agency for the State of Alaska**, we advance policy and foster collaboration to build a skilled workforce that meets the needs of communities and employers, supporting economic development across the state.

## ALASKA COMMISSION ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION (ACPE)

ACPE provides education and career funding solutions. Funded by the Alaska Student Loan Corporation (ASLC), the Commission makes available the following:

-  **1** *Education Planning Tools and Resources*
-  **2** *Financial Aid for College and Career Training*
-  **3** *Advocacy and Support for Postsecondary Participation in Alaska*
-  **4** *Consumer Protection Through Institutional Authorization*
-  **5** *Research and Analysis on Alaska's Postsecondary Education and Financial Aid Programs*

### ACPE'S STRATEGIC PRIORITIES: 2024-26

- 1** Become the education lender of choice in Alaska and for Alaskans.
- 2** Increase access to, and utilization of, federal and state education funding sources.
- 3** Operate a sustainable organization responsive to students, customers, stakeholders, and employees.
- 4** Position ACPE to help bridge the education gap in Alaska's current and future workforce needs.

# Letter from Commission Leadership

*Throughout 2023, we experienced a call to action related to a variety of education and career training initiatives. Alaskans demonstrated a heightened awareness around education enrollment and completion and funding gaps, workforce demands, and stronger pathways for students transitioning into opportunities after high school.*

*Across Alaska, as well as the nation, there has been ongoing dialogue related to the perception of postsecondary education. It is essential for postsecondary education programming to be inclusive of all education and career training after high school. From apprenticeships and short-term skills-based credentials, to undergraduate and graduate degrees; **Alaska's students deserve access to meaningful pathways leading to impactful and sustainable careers. ACPE believes all pathways have value and build a stronger, educated workforce.***

*ACPE seeks to provide sustainable solutions for college, career and technical training as a responsive and motivated partner to stakeholders across Alaska. During 2023, ACPE saw long-awaited achievements in the successful implementation of impactful improvements for Alaskans:*

- 1** · *New education loan limits to better meet cost of education needs*
- 2** · *Organize and host the first-ever, in-person Alaska FAFSA Summit*
- 3** · *Finalize ACPE Strategic Plan*
- 4** · *Establish Kids2Careers to strengthen pathways from middle school through education and career training*
- 5** · *Outsource loan origination and servicing to realize cost-savings to support lower lending rates and long-term organizational sustainability*
- 6** · *Implement updated AKCIS 360 platform to enhance user experience and deliver updated, Alaska-specific content*

*There is a great deal to be inspired by as we look ahead to the upcoming year and the engaging efforts taking place to improve educational and career training outcomes in Alaska. That inspiration also serves as a reminder to remain intentional and consistent in our strategic efforts to deliver accessible, equitable, and meaningful education and funding resources to Alaskans.*

*Best Regards,*

**JOHN BROWN**  
ACPE Commission Chair

**SANA EFIRD**  
ACPE Executive Director

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# Alaska Postsecondary Access & Completion Network

The Board of Directors with the **Alaska Postsecondary Access & Completion Network (AlaskaCAN)**



announced a pause on all official, external AlaskaCAN activities, including monthly Board of Director meetings, annual Board of Directors elections, as well as the Annual AlaskaCAN! Conference. During this time, the AlaskaCAN Governance Committee's efforts are focused on securing sustainable funding for AlaskaCAN and creating a full-time AlaskaCAN staff position.

Since its inception, AlaskaCAN's all-volunteer Board of Directors worked to develop strategic partnerships, build awareness, and be Alaska's trusted and valued convener of education and workforce partnerships. Though the organization's progress has been significant, to better position AlaskaCAN towards reaching its goals, it is imperative to shift our organizational model from an all-volunteer Board to one that includes full-time staff.

AlaskaCAN looks forward to **relaunching in 2024** with renewed commitment and greater capacity to support its core purpose:

**Advocating for Alaskans to pursue postsecondary workforce development pathways.**

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# Higher Education: ALASKA CONTEXT



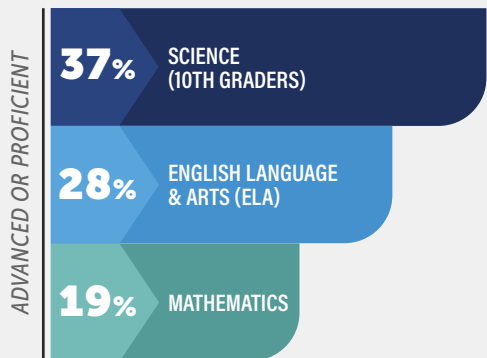
## College Preparation

Just above **one fourth** of Alaska's high school Class of 2025 tested proficient in English language arts (ELA); only **one fifth** tested proficient in math | **Exhibit 1**. Alaska Performance Scholarship eligibility and award use for Class of 2023 is summarized in **Exhibit 2**.

**EXHIBIT 1**

**Alaska System of Academic Readiness (AK STAR):** Percent of high school Class of 2025 (9th graders tested 2021-22) advanced or proficient in English language arts (ELA) (**28%**) and mathematics (**19%**). *Alaska DEED*

**Alaska Science Assessment:** Percent of high school Class of 2024 (10th graders tested 2021-22) proficient in science (**37%**). *Alaska DEED*

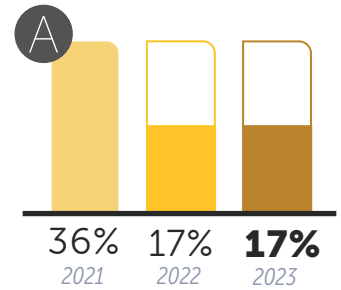


**EXHIBIT 2**

### Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS), Class of 2021-2023 eligibility and use.

*2024 APS Outcomes Report*

- A** 2023 eligibility rates continued the trend of 2022, with another year at **17%** (the lowest eligibility rate since the program's inception).
- B** However, award use is rising, with Class of 2023 APS eligible high school graduates using the award at a rate of **33%**.



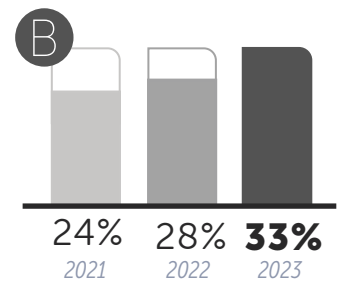
High School Graduates Eligible for the APS Award

**93%**

of APS recipients use the award for collegiate studies

### APS use towards vocational studies

increased in 2023 from the previous year.



APS Recipients (Students that went on to attend an Alaska postsecondary institution)

Discover More about APS student outcomes on **Page 28**



## Standardized Testing

Alaska's participation in national standardized testing increased for graduating high school Class of 2023. The state of Alaska **ACT participation was 15%**, up from 14% in 2022 | **Exhibit 3**. **SAT participation was 30%**, up from 26% in 2022 | **Exhibit 4**. Alaska's percent meeting benchmark by subject for SAT and ACT is slightly higher than national averages (benchmark scores represent a 75% chance of a student achieving at least a C grade in a first-semester, credit-bearing college course). *ACT.org | CollegeBoard*

EXHIBIT 3

ACT

### ACT Testing, Alaska vs. National | High School Class of 2023:

When compared to states with similar ACT participation rates, Alaska's score (**20.2**) ranked among the lowest. Similar states (12-16% participation rates) were Illinois (**24.5**), Idaho (**23.0**), Oregon (**20.9**), and New Mexico (**20.2**). *ACT.org*

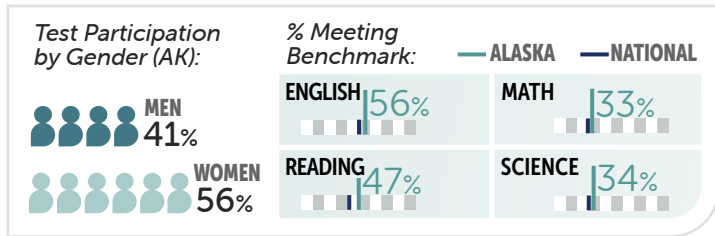
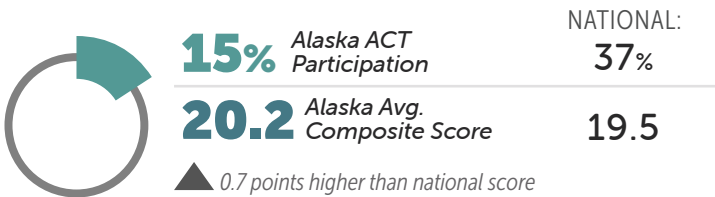
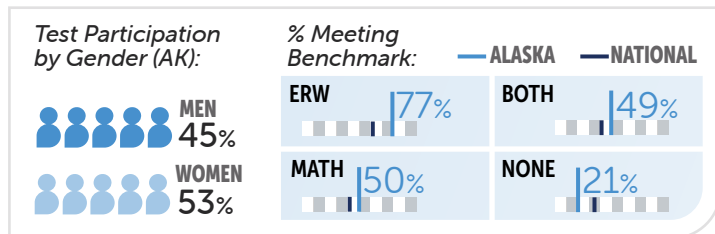
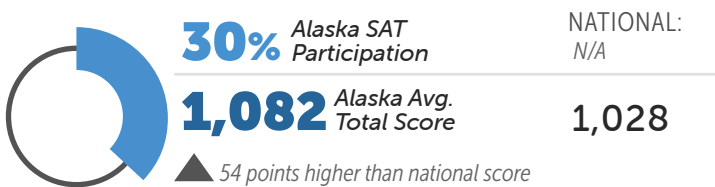


EXHIBIT 4

SAT

### SAT Testing, Alaska vs. National | High School Class of 2023:

When compared to states with similar SAT participation rates, Alaska's score (**1,082**) ranked lowest. Similar states (24-30% participation rates) were North Carolina (**1,127**), Oregon (**1,125**), Hawaii (**1,114**), and California (**1,083**). *CollegeBoard*



## High School Graduation Rates

The 2019-20 **National Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate (ACGR)** for public high school students was **87%**. Alaska's rate for 2019-20 was **79%**, ranking 46th\* in the US (ahead of Arizona and New Mexico, and behind Oklahoma). **Alaska's statewide public high school graduation rate** for Class of 2022 and 2023 was **78%** | **Exhibit 5**.

*National Center for Education Statistics (NCES)*

\*Data suppressed/not available for Texas and Illinois

ACGR:



EXHIBIT 5

**Public Alaska 4-year high school graduation rates, Class of 2022 and 2023: 78%** of Alaska high school students graduate. **Four out of five** Caucasian students graduate, and **three out of five** Alaska Native students graduate. *Alaska (DEED)*



2021-22 2022-23

84% **84%** CAUCASIAN

81% **80%** FEMALE

80% **81%** STUDENTS WITHOUT DISABILITIES

75% **76%** MALE

70% **72%** ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED

65% **65%** ENGLISH LEARNERS

65% **66%** ALASKA NATIVE

61% **57%** STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

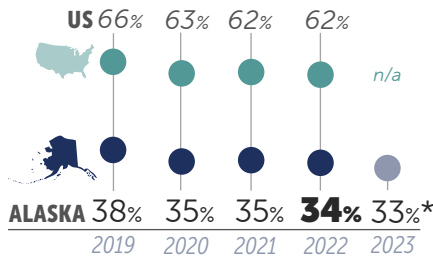
59% **59%** HOMELESS

# College Enrollments of High School Graduates

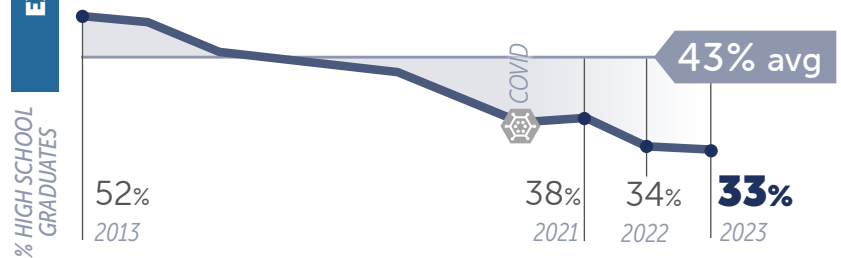
Alaska immediate postsecondary enrollments has been steadily declining over the last five years | **Exhibit 6**. The percentage of 2023 Alaska high school graduates enrolled in college one-year following graduation has also continued to decline | **Exhibit 7**. The trend of Alaska students enrolling in-state vs. out-of-state from 2013-2023 is shown in **Exhibit 8**. Postsecondary enrollment and progress for Class of 2016 is shown in **Exhibit 9**.

**EXHIBIT 6** *Alaska vs. national immediate postsecondary enrollment rates* of high school graduates, 2019-2022. Alaska rates continue to decline, with a **34%** rate in 2022 and preliminary\* rate of **33%** in 2023.

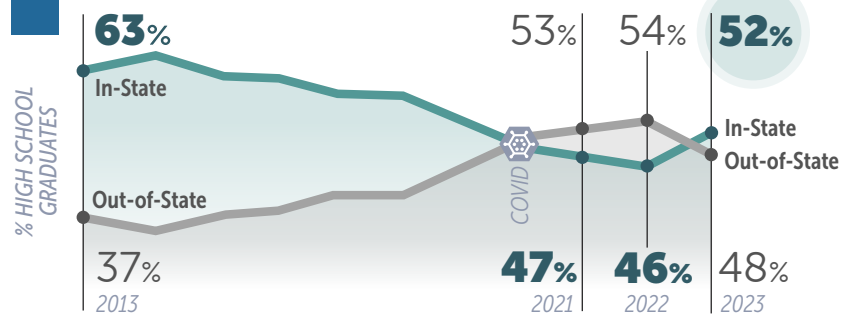
*Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), National Student Clearinghouse (NSC)*



**EXHIBIT 7** *Alaska high school graduate enrollments: Less than four in ten* Class of 2022 and 2023 high school graduates were enrolled in postsecondary education within a year following high school graduation. *NSC*



**EXHIBIT 8** *Proportion of Alaska high school graduates enrolling in-state vs. out-of-state:* In-state enrollments for Class of 2023 increased to **52%**, and out-of-state enrollments dropped to **48%**. These rates are a reversal in the trend over the last few years where out-of-state enrollments surpassed in-state enrollments following the COVID pandemic. *NSC*



**EXHIBIT 9**

Class of 2016 postsecondary enrollment and progress (2016-2022). *NSC*



**NEW TO COLLEGE**

Half of cohort enrolled in college within a year of graduating high school



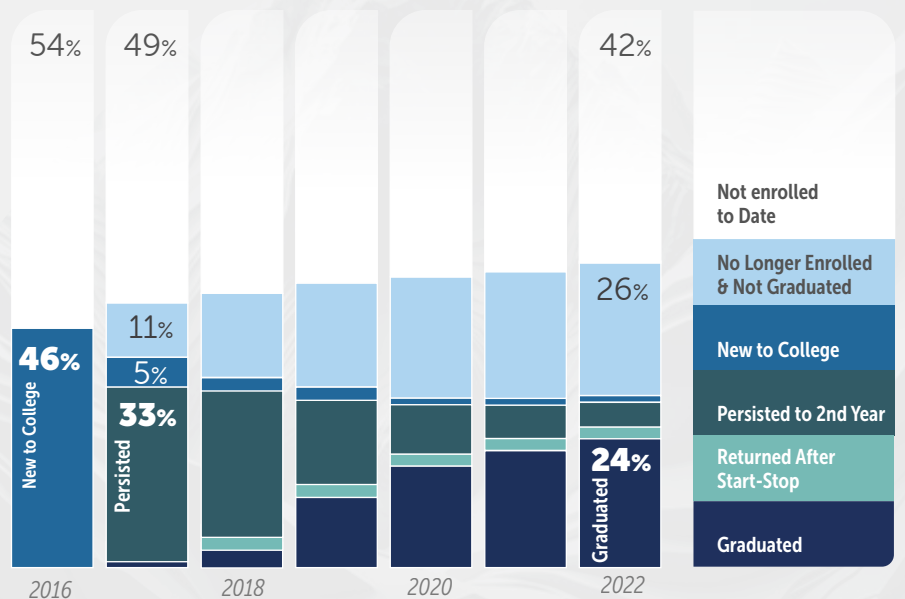
**PERSISTENCE**

One third of the total cohort went on to their 2nd year of college



**GRADUATED**

One quarter of the total cohort completed a program



SUMMARY

- Not enrolled to Date
- No Longer Enrolled & Not Graduated
- New to College
- Persisted to 2nd Year
- Returned After Start-Stop
- Graduated

# Distance Education

## WUE & NC-SARA Highlights

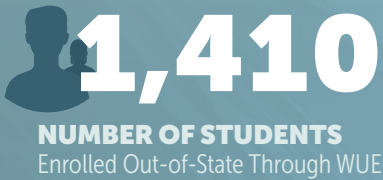
WUE *WICHE.org* | **EXHIBIT 10-11**  
Western Undergraduate Exchange

NC-SARA *NC-SARA.org* | **EXHIBIT 12**  
National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity

EXHIBIT 10

### WUE HIGHLIGHTS

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WUE Participation at  
University of Alaska (UA)  
out-of-state students  
attending through WUE

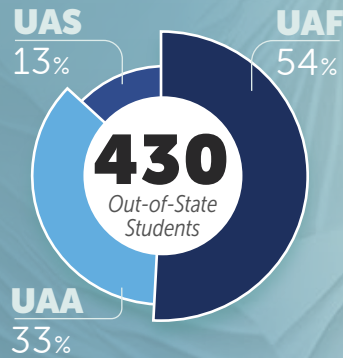


EXHIBIT 11

**A** Distribution of Alaska WUE students  
to other WUE states: average number of  
Alaska students (2017-22) and 2022 totals.

The top four states attended in 2022  
by Alaska students in the WUE program  
were: **ARIZONA (1), COLORADO (2),  
MONTANA (3), and IDAHO (4).**



**B** Top three universities attended by  
Alaska students (schools with the  
most Alaska WUE students, AY22-23).

- 1 NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY** 176 students
- 2 MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY BOZEMAN** 111 students
- 3 WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY** 64 students

EXHIBIT 12

### NC-SARA HIGHLIGHTS

Fall 2022 Highlights



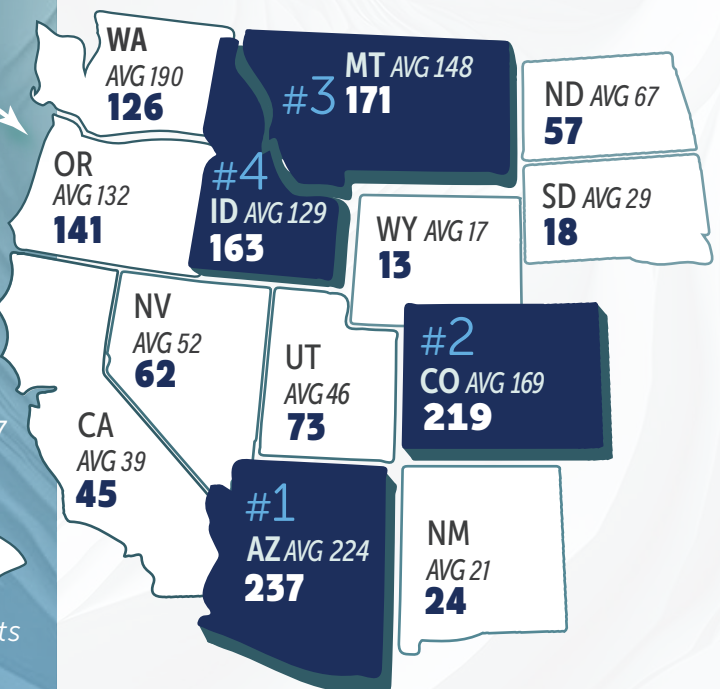
TOP STATES RECEIVING  
ALASKA STUDENTS

<b>1,139</b>	ARIZONA	●●●●●
<b>979</b>	UTAH	●●●●●
<b>841</b>	WEST VIRGINIA	●●●●●
<b>489</b>	NEW HAMPSHIRE	●●
<b>453</b>	VIRGINIA	●●



TOP STATES SENDING  
STUDENTS TO ALASKA

<b>101</b>	WASHINGTON	●●●●●
<b>55</b>	TEXAS	●●●
<b>39</b>	COLORADO	●●
<b>35</b>	FLORIDA	●●
<b>32</b>	OREGON	●●



# Alaska enrollments declined in 2022 by 1,800 students.

## Alaska Postsecondary Enrollment Trends

In 2023, there was a **positive change** in Alaska first-time freshmen enrollments for both 2-year and 4-year institutions. This was a shift for 2-year Alaska institutions from the previous year, which had a **-14%** decline in 2022 | **Exhibit 13**.

12-month enrollment totals for AY2022 (undergraduate and graduate enrollments) continued to decline, with **1,800 fewer students** at Alaska postsecondary institutions in AY2022 compared with AY2021 | **Exhibit 14-16**. A comparison of fall 2020-2022 Alaska enrollments by institution are given in **Exhibit 17**.

EXHIBIT 13

Percent change of first-time freshmen postsecondary enrollments during 2022 and 2023, 2-year vs. 4-year institutions.

NSC

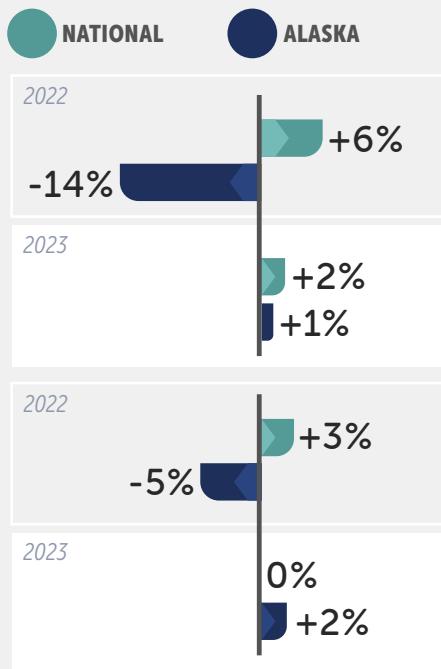


EXHIBIT 14

▼ **16,060**

fewer undergraduates than 10 years ago

Undergraduate enrollment trend, AY2013-2022 (percent difference from the average). The total number of Alaska undergraduate enrollments in 2022 was **31,600**. IPEDS

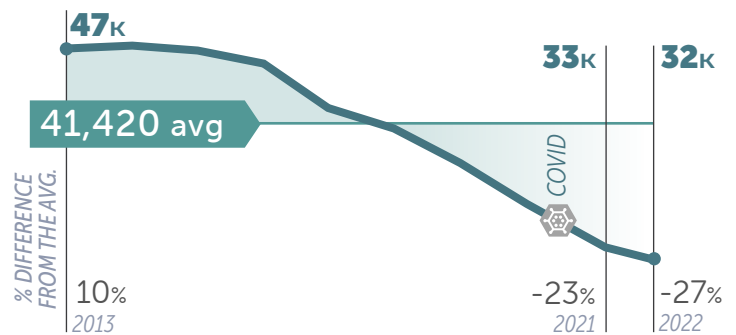
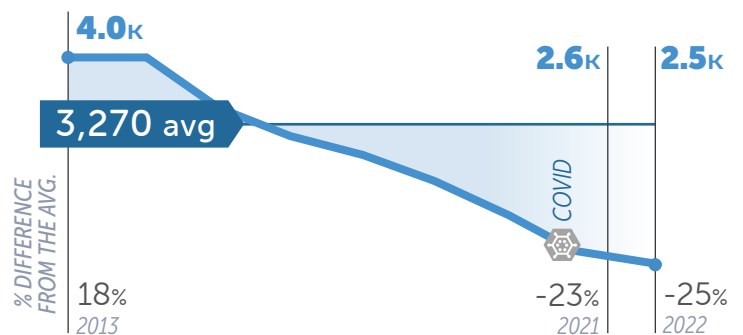


EXHIBIT 15

▼ **1,480**

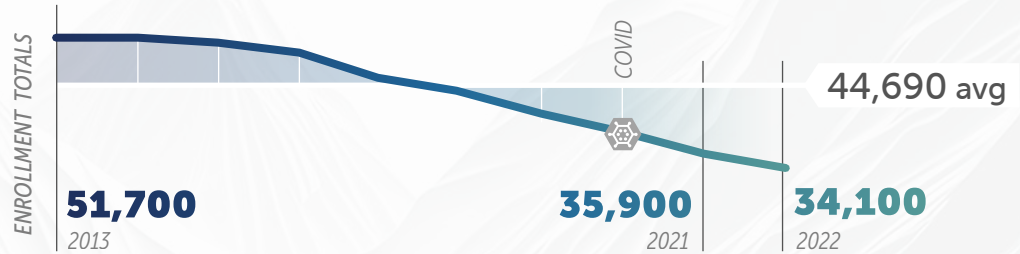
fewer graduates than 10 years ago

Graduate enrollment trend, AY2013-2022 (percent difference from the average). The total number of Alaska graduate enrollments in 2022 was **2,560**. IPEDS



**EXHIBIT 16**

Alaska postsecondary enrollment totals, AY2013-2022 (12-month, undergraduate & graduate enrollments). *IPEDS*



**EXHIBIT 17**

**Fall Enrollments by Institution** *IPEDS*

**ENROLLMENT TOTALS:**

Fall 2020      Fall 2021      Fall 2022

**PERCENT CHANGE:**  
2020-2022

**TREND, 2013-2022:**  
% Difference from Avg.

Institution	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Percent Change (2020-2022)	Trend (2013-2022 % Diff from Avg)
<b>University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA)</b>	11,953	10,845	<b>10,464</b>	-12%	14,405 avg
<b>University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF)</b>	6,813	6,826	<b>6,607</b>	-3%	7,720 avg
<b>University of Alaska Southeast (UAS)</b>	2,070	1,997	<b>1,923</b>	-7%	2,410 avg
<b>Alaska Pacific University (APU)</b>	493	554	<b>595</b>	+21%	550 avg
<b>Alaska Career College</b>	412	317	<b>268</b>	-35%	380 avg
<b>Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC)</b>	185	259	<b>202</b>	+9%	750 avg
<b>Iliisagvik College</b>	232	268	<b>179</b>	-23%	225 avg
<b>Alaska Christian College</b>	93	78	<b>77</b>	-17%	75 avg
<b>Alaska Bible College</b>	40	44	<b>39</b>	-0%	40 avg



## Alaska Completions

Number of completers and graduation rates for first-time, full-time freshmen (within 150% of normal time), by institution (2020-2022) are given in **Exhibit 18**. Net rates of completions by degree type have *risen over the past six years* for 4-year institutions; completion rates for 2-year institutions remain higher than 4-year institutions and experienced little change from 2017-2022 | **Exhibit 19**.

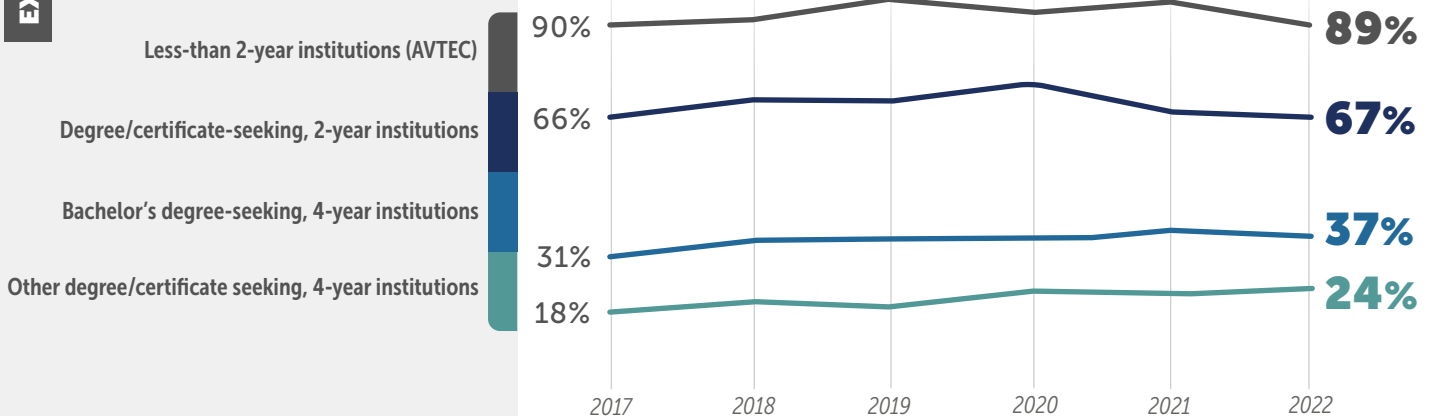
**EXHIBIT 18**

First-time, full-time completers and graduation rates at Alaska postsecondary institutions within 150% of normal time, 2020-22. *IPEDS*

	NUMBER OF COMPLETERS			150% GRADUATION RATE			+/- PT [Percentage Points] 2021-22
	2020	2021	2022	2020	2021	2022	
University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA)	418	408	<b>396</b>	30%	30%	<b>30%</b>	0 PT
University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF)	286	268	<b>258</b>	39%	38%	<b>39%</b>	+1 PT
Alaska Career College	281	230	<b>238</b>	79%	74%	<b>70%</b>	-4 PT
Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC)	164	128	<b>72</b>	92%	95%	<b>86%</b>	-9 PT
University of Alaska Southeast (UAS)	27	44	<b>29</b>	18%	30%	<b>25%</b>	-5 PT
Alaska Pacific University (APU)	10	8	<b>13</b>	56%	22%	<b>36%</b>	+14 PT
Alaska Christian College	5	3	<b>9</b>	19%	11%	<b>27%</b>	+16 PT
Iñisagvik College	7	5	<b>6</b>	35%	45%	<b>75%</b>	+30 PT
Alaska Bible College	5	2	<b>2</b>	63%	50%	<b>50%</b>	0 PT

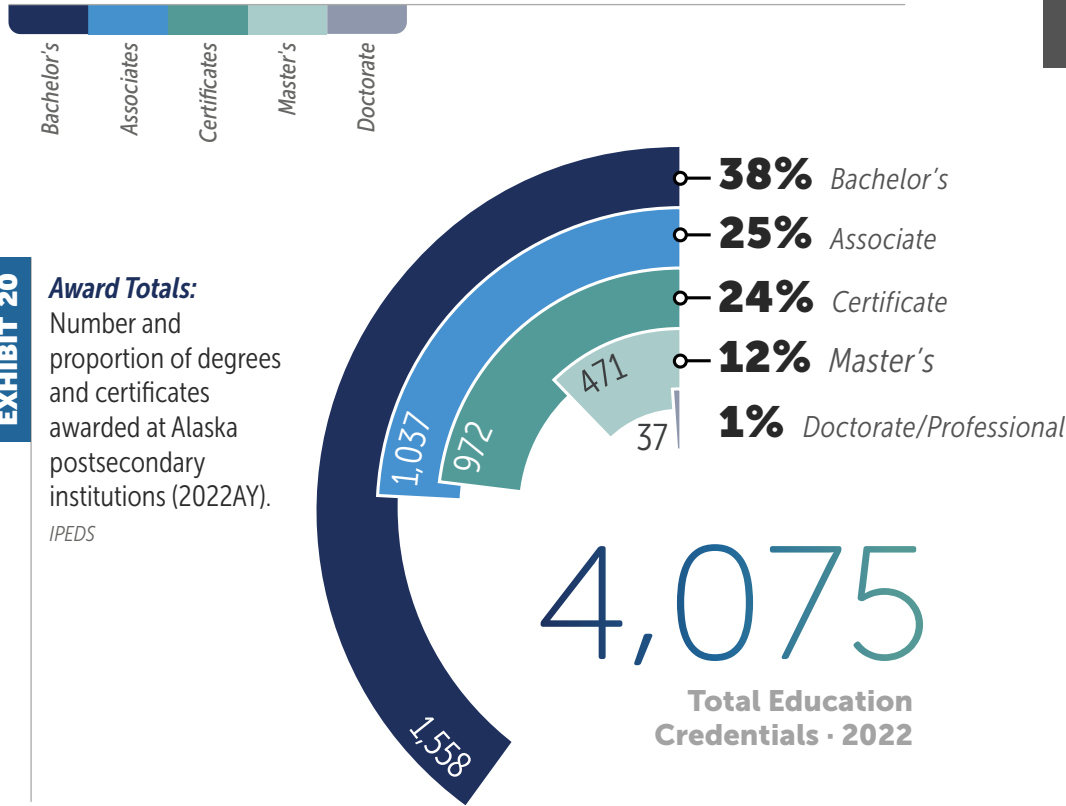
**EXHIBIT 19**

Graduation rates of students by degree/program type, 2017-2022 (completers within 150% of normal time). *IPEDS*



# Alaska Credentials

The majority (**38%**) of education credentials earned at Alaska postsecondary institutions in 2022 were **Bachelor's degrees** | **Exhibit 20**. Broken down by gender, **women** received the majority of awards | **Exhibit 21**; **certificates** continued to be the most prolific credential earned by Alaska Native/American Indian Students | **Exhibit 22**. The top five Bachelor's disciplines awarded in Alaska are shown in **Exhibit 23**.



**EXHIBIT 20**

**Award Totals:** Number and proportion of degrees and certificates awarded at Alaska postsecondary institutions (2022AY).  
*IPEDS*

**EXHIBIT 21**

**Male and female breakdown** of Alaska education credentials (2022AY). *IPEDS*

Award Type	Male	Female
BACHELOR'S	43% M	57% F
ASSOCIATE	35% M	65% F
CERTIFICATE	36% M	64% F
MASTER'S	36% M	64% F
DOCTORATE/PROFESSIONAL	46% M	54% F

**EXHIBIT 22**

**Credentials awarded to Alaska Native/American Indian students:** Number and proportion of each award type (2022AY). *IPEDS*

Award Type	#	Award Proportion
CERTIFICATE	146	14%
ASSOCIATE	107	11%
BACHELOR'S	94	6%
MASTER'S	23	5%
DOCTORATE/PROFESSIONAL	2	5%


**EXHIBIT 23**


## TOP FIVE DISCIPLINES

Top five disciplines among Bachelor's degrees awarded (2022AY). *IPEDS*

**#1**   
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT, MARKETING, & RELATED SUPPORT SERVICES  
**270 awards**

**#2**   
HEALTH PROFESSIONS & RELATED PROGRAMS  
**218 awards**

**#3**   
ENGINEERING  
**132 awards**

**#4**   
PSYCHOLOGY  
**107 awards**

**#5**   
MULTI/INTER-DISCIPLINARY STUDIES  
**104 awards**

# Education Attainment

EXHIBIT 24

**Education attainment** of Alaska residents 25 years and older:


- (a) All Alaskans
- (b) By gender (men vs. women)
- (c) By ethnicity (white vs. Alaska Native)


1-year American Community Survey (ACS), 2022

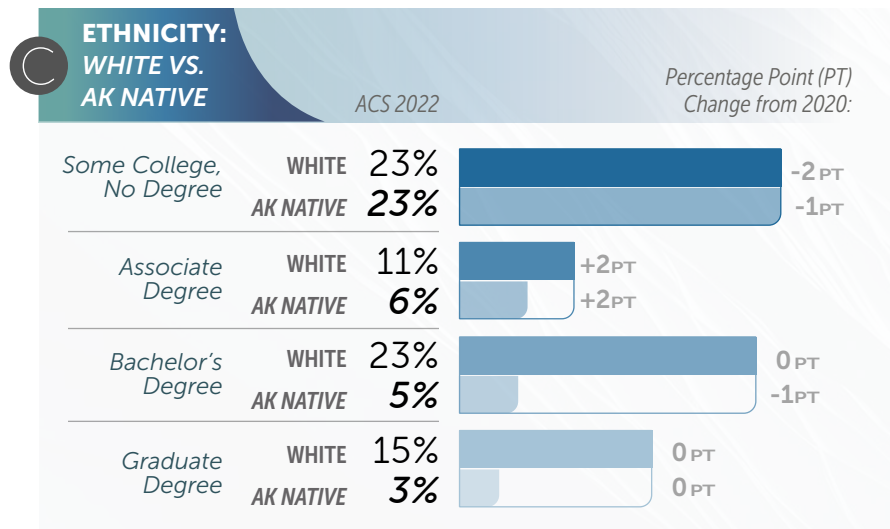
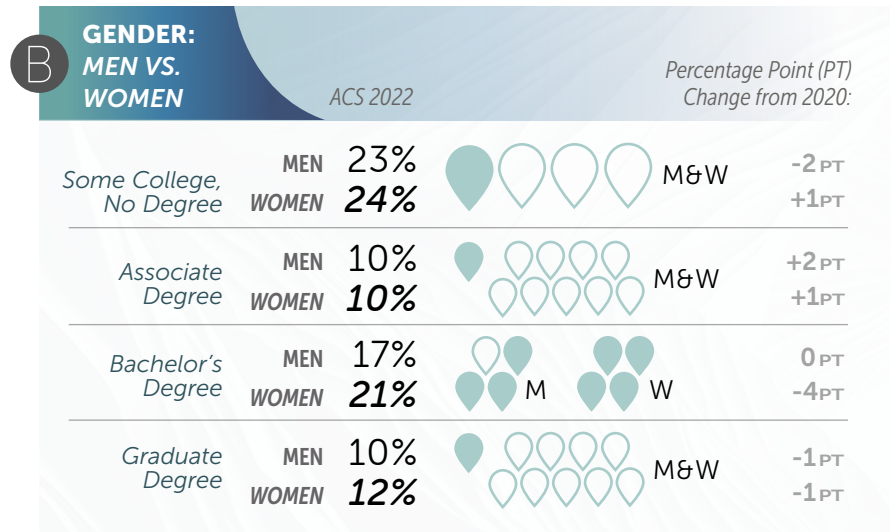
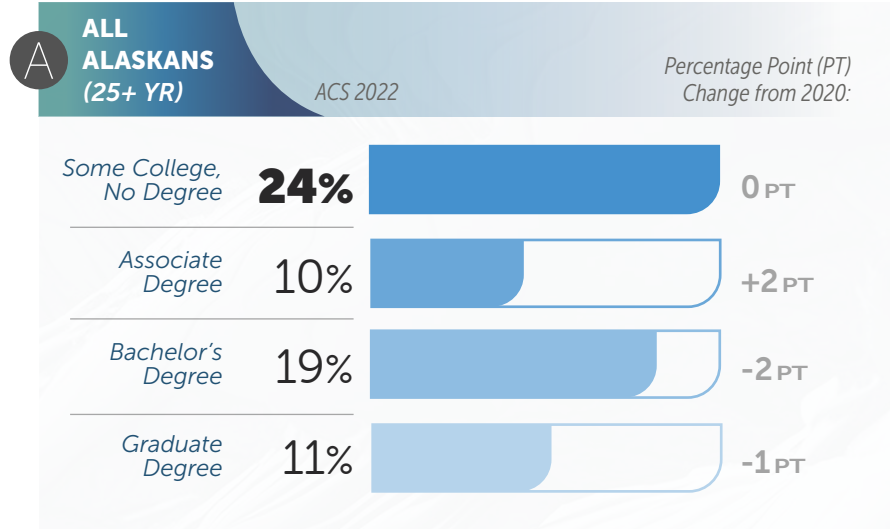
ALASKA continues to have one of the largest populations that attend some college but do not complete a degree program.

**1 in 4**  Alaskans have some college but no degree

**1 in 5**  Alaskans have a bachelor's degree

**1 in 10**  Alaskans have an associate degree

**1 in 10**  Alaskans have a graduate degree







# Economic Impact

**EXHIBIT 25**

**Job Openings and Wages:** projected job openings (2020-2030) and average annual wages in the Alaska workforce, by educational attainment. *Alaska DOLWD*

LEVEL OF EDUCATION	AVG. ANNUAL WAGES (\$)	PROJECTED JOB OPENINGS (%)
Doctorate/Professional	\$152,900	1%
<b>Bachelor's</b>	<b>\$90,700</b>	<b>15%</b>
Master's	\$87,300	1%
Associate	\$71,400	2%
<b>Certificate/Other Non-Degree</b>	<b>\$57,600</b>	<b>6%</b>
Some College	\$46,700	3%
*High School Diploma/GED	\$53,800	37%
*No Formal Credential	\$36,100	35%

\*Many of the high school diploma/GED and no formal credential categories include jobs requiring apprenticeships or other vocational training.

**EXHIBIT 26**

**Median Earnings:** students ten years after first enrollment who received federal financial aid, by institution (updated as of Oct 2023). *CollegeScorecard*

- #1 **University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA)**  
**\$51,200** \$\$\$\$\$\$
- #2 **Alaska Pacific University (APU)**  
**\$45,600** \$\$\$\$\$
- #3 **University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF)**  
**\$45,300** \$\$\$\$\$
- #4 **Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC)**  
**\$45,100** \$\$\$\$
- #5 **University of Alaska Southeast (UAS)**  
**\$39,500** \$\$\$
- #6 **Alaska Career College**  
**\$32,000** \$\$

NOTE: Data null or suppressed for privacy for Alaska Bible College, Alaska Christian College, Ilisagvik College

# Higher Education: NATIONAL CONTEXT

## High School Graduate Enrollments

Alaska vs. National Position Metric Highlights, Class of 2023 | Exhibits 27-31

EXHIBIT 27

### Male vs. Female Enrollments

High school graduate postsecondary enrollments, 2023. IPEDS, NSC

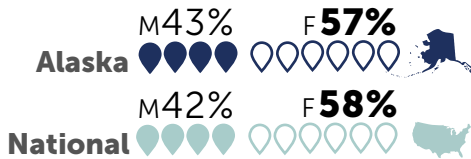


EXHIBIT 28

### Full-time vs. Part-time Enrollments

High school graduate postsecondary enrollments, 2023. IPEDS, NSC

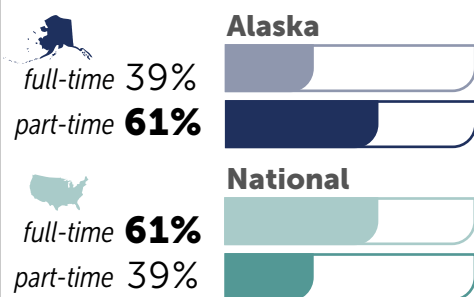


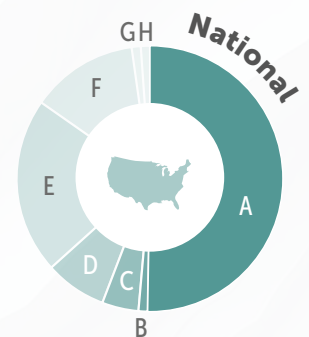
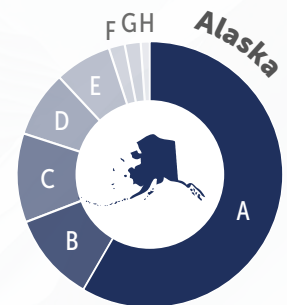
EXHIBIT 29

### Ethnicity/Race Comparison

High school graduate postsecondary enrollments, 2023.

IPEDS, NSC

	AK	US	Alaska PT (Percentage Point) Difference from US Avg.
White	59%	47%	+12PT
Alaska Native	11%	<1%*	+10PT
Two or More Races	11%	4%	+7PT
Asian	8%	7%	+1PT
Hispanic, Latino	7%	20%	-13PT
Black, African American	2%	12%	-10PT
Hawaiian, Pacific Islander	2%	<1%	+2PT
American Indian	1%	<1%*	0PT



\*National statistics combine Alaska Native & American Indian Categories

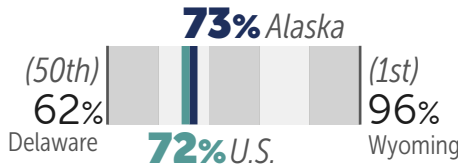
NOTE: Due to rounding & exclusion of non-resident alien/unknown categories, totals do not equal 100

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Alaska graduates attend postsecondary school **part-time**.

**EXHIBIT 30**

Alaska's college acceptance rate is **73%**, ranking 31st in the US. The National average is **72%**. *UnivStats*



SIMILARLY RANKED STATES TO AK:  
South Carolina (73% | 32nd) & Illinois (73% | 30th)

**EXHIBIT 31**

Alaska has the lowest number of full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollments when compared to states with similar populations (less than one million residents). Alaska FTE enrollments are **1.6 to 2.6 times less** than all other states with comparable populations. *ACS, SHEEO-SHEF*



States with Populations Under 1 Million	State Population	FTE Enrollments
South Dakota	909,820	30,650
North Dakota	779,260	31,820
<b>Alaska</b>	<b>733,580</b>	<b>12,440</b>
Vermont	647,060	19,630
Wyoming	581,380	20,990

**National Context Table 1**

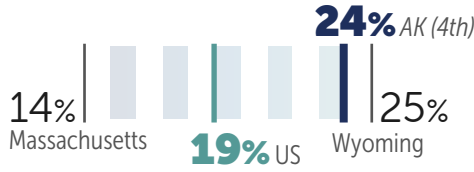
	2022 ACS, 1-Year Education Attainment				2022 Graduation Rates	
	Some College	Associate	Bachelor's	Graduate	COHORT 2016: 6-Year Rate, 4-Year Institutions	COHORT 2019: 3-Year Rate, 2-Year Institutions
<b>NATIONAL</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>36%</b>
ALABAMA	21%	9%	18%	11%	60%	29%
<b>ALASKA</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>67%</b>
ARIZONA	23%	9%	20%	13%	54%	31%
ARKANSAS	21%	8%	16%	10%	53%	35%
CALIFORNIA	19%	8%	23%	14%	67%	38%
COLORADO	19%	8%	29%	17%	55%	49%
CONNECTICUT	16%	8%	23%	19%	71%	29%
DELAWARE	19%	9%	21%	16%	57%	42%
FLORIDA	18%	10%	21%	13%	56%	58%
GEORGIA	19%	9%	21%	14%	50%	40%
HAWAII	20%	11%	22%	13%	54%	29%
IDAHO	24%	10%	21%	11%	52%	32%
ILLINOIS	19%	8%	23%	15%	66%	35%
INDIANA	19%	9%	19%	11%	64%	35%
IOWA	20%	12%	22%	11%	68%	40%
KANSAS	22%	9%	22%	14%	58%	39%
KENTUCKY	20%	9%	17%	11%	55%	42%
LOUISIANA	21%	7%	17%	10%	55%	29%
MAINE	18%	11%	22%	14%	60%	24%
MARYLAND	17%	7%	23%	21%	70%	28%
MASSACHUSETTS	14%	7%	25%	21%	75%	22%
MICHIGAN	22%	10%	20%	13%	62%	24%
MINNESOTA	20%	12%	25%	14%	67%	32%
MISSISSIPPI	21%	11%	15%	10%	56%	40%
MISSOURI	21%	8%	20%	13%	59%	35%
MONTANA	22%	10%	23%	12%	50%	33%
NEBRASKA	22%	12%	23%	12%	59%	40%
NEVADA	24%	9%	18%	10%	44%	55%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	17%	9%	25%	17%	63%	34%
NEW JERSEY	15%	7%	26%	18%	70%	31%
NEW MEXICO	23%	9%	17%	14%	47%	28%
NEW YORK	15%	9%	22%	18%	66%	30%
NORTH CAROLINA	19%	10%	23%	13%	65%	36%
NORTH DAKOTA	22%	14%	22%	10%	57%	42%
OHIO	19%	9%	19%	13%	59%	38%
OKLAHOMA	22%	8%	19%	10%	52%	41%
OREGON	24%	9%	22%	14%	66%	26%
PENNSYLVANIA	15%	9%	21%	14%	66%	33%
RHODE ISLAND	18%	8%	24%	16%	72%	24%
SOUTH CAROLINA	20%	10%	20%	13%	59%	27%
SOUTH DAKOTA	19%	13%	22%	10%	55%	65%
TENNESSEE	20%	8%	20%	11%	58%	35%
TEXAS	20%	8%	22%	12%	52%	34%
UTAH	23%	10%	25%	13%	55%	38%
VERMONT	16%	9%	25%	20%	68%	26%
VIRGINIA	18%	8%	24%	19%	69%	36%
WASHINGTON	21%	10%	24%	16%	58%	48%
WEST VIRGINIA	17%	9%	15%	10%	51%	42%
WISCONSIN	20%	11%	22%	12%	65%	43%
WYOMING	25%	12%	18%	12%	48%	47%

US Census Bureau (ACS), NCES

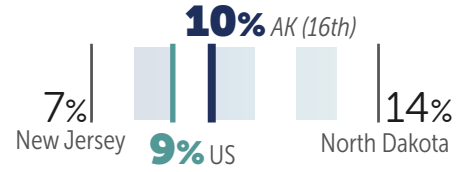
# Education Attainment

Education attainment rates for Alaska residents vs. national averages | **Exhibit 32**. The highest and lowest ranked state is also indicated.

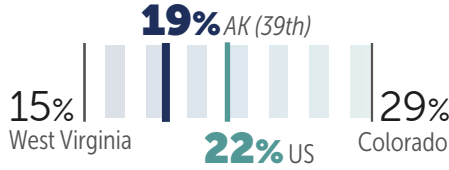
### Some College, No Degree



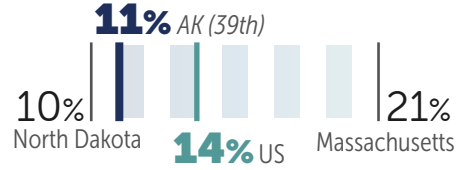
### Associate Degree



### Bachelor's Degree



### Graduate/Professional Degree



**EXHIBIT 32** Education attainment rates, 2022. ACS

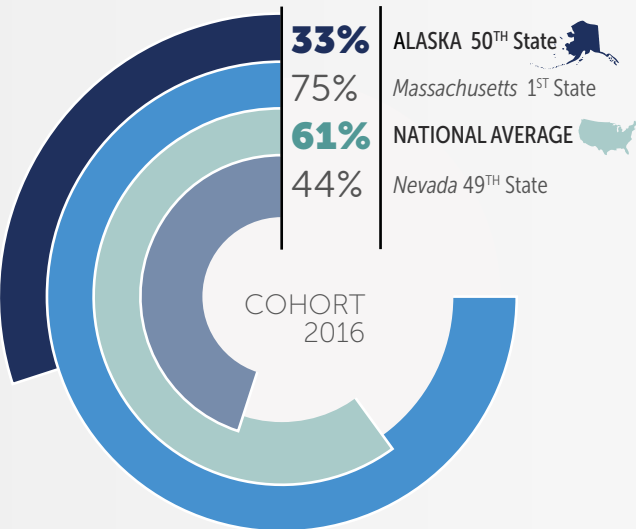
- 1st/50th State
- Alaska Rate (Rank)
- National Average

# Postsecondary Graduation Rates

Alaska's 4-year postsecondary graduation rate ranked last in the US at **33%** | **Exhibit 33**. Conversely, Alaska's 2-year postsecondary graduation rate ranked first at **67%** | **Exhibit 34**.

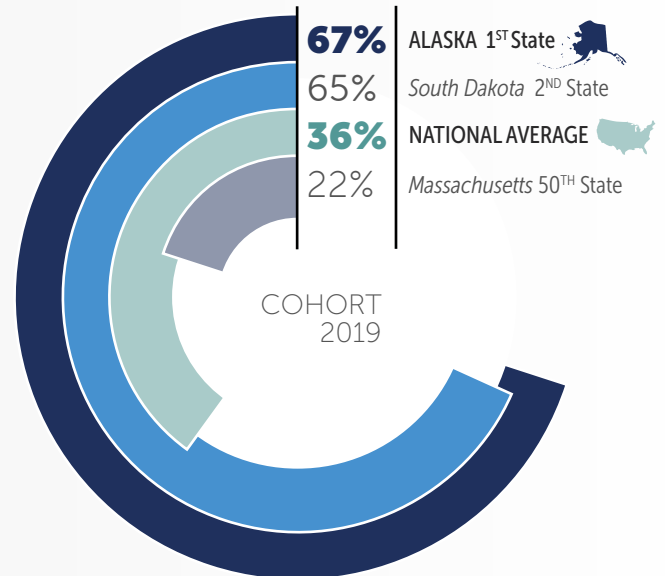
**EXHIBIT 33** Postsecondary graduation rates within 150% of normal time at 4-year postsecondary institutions (6-year IPEDS graduation rates), cohort 2016. Alaska's 6-year graduation rate remained the same from cohort 2015 to 2016. NCES

OTHER SIMILARLY RANKED STATES TO AK:  
New Mexico (47% | 48th) & Wyoming (48% | 47th)



**EXHIBIT 34** Postsecondary graduation rate within 150% of normal time at 2-year postsecondary institutions (3-year IPEDS graduation rates), cohort 2019. Alaska's 3-year graduation rate decreased by two percentage points from cohort 2018 to 2019. NCES

OTHER SIMILARLY RANKED STATES TO AK:  
Florida (58% | 3rd) & Nevada (55% | 4th)



National Context Table 2

	Total Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Enrollment FY22	2020-21 Average Tuition & Fees		FY2022 Student Cost		Average Debt of College Grads (\$) Class of 2020
		Public 4-Year	Public 2-Year	Appropriations per FTE (\$)	Students Share of Tuition (%)	
<b>NATIONAL</b>	<b>10,306,924</b>	<b>\$9,596</b>	<b>\$3,564</b>	<b>\$10,237</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>*\$37,100</b>
ALABAMA	191,445	\$10,737	\$4,920	\$8,867	65%	\$31,000
<b>ALASKA</b>	<b>12,440</b>	<b>\$8,851</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$18,436</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>\$26,400</b>
ARIZONA	309,160	\$11,452	\$2,182	\$6,127	61%	\$24,300
ARKANSAS	105,752	\$8,622	\$3,486	\$9,596	46%	\$27,300
CALIFORNIA	1,584,060	\$8,559	\$1,281	\$11,694	18%	\$21,100
COLORADO	<b>175,533</b>	<b>\$9,573</b>	<b>\$3,329</b>	<b>\$6,711</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>\$26,400</b>
CONNECTICUT	<b>75,381</b>	<b>\$14,963</b>	<b>\$4,538</b>	<b>\$14,827</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>\$35,900</b>
DELAWARE	<b>33,946</b>	<b>\$11,707</b>	n/a	<b>\$7,473</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>\$39,700</b>
FLORIDA	<b>567,049</b>	<b>\$4,613</b>	<b>\$2,506</b>	<b>\$9,178</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>\$24,500</b>
GEORGIA	<b>348,450</b>	<b>\$7,632</b>	<b>\$3,174</b>	<b>\$13,640</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>\$27,800</b>
HAWAII	32,620	\$10,356	\$3,225	\$14,097	25%	\$25,000
IDAHO	53,976	\$7,478	\$3,327	\$11,009	46%	\$25,000
ILLINOIS	280,511	\$14,993	\$4,204	\$22,970	20%	\$29,000
INDIANA	235,412	\$9,780	\$4,637	\$7,004	63%	\$29,000
IOWA	115,604	\$9,670	\$5,455	\$6,641	61%	\$29,600
KANSAS	<b>119,978</b>	<b>\$9,216</b>	<b>\$3,551</b>	<b>\$8,749</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>\$26,000</b>
KENTUCKY	<b>133,629</b>	<b>\$11,107</b>	<b>\$4,516</b>	<b>\$9,022</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>\$28,400</b>
LOUISIANA	<b>158,195</b>	<b>\$9,749</b>	<b>\$4,242</b>	<b>\$7,224</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>\$26,300</b>
MAINE	<b>32,111</b>	<b>\$10,650</b>	<b>\$3,866</b>	<b>\$8,938</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>\$32,800</b>
MARYLAND	<b>208,380</b>	<b>\$9,851</b>	<b>\$4,367</b>	<b>\$9,759</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>\$30,500</b>
MASSACHUSETTS	138,528	\$14,023	\$5,559	\$10,513	35%	\$33,500
MICHIGAN	332,190	\$14,116	\$3,871	\$9,909	61%	\$30,000
MINNESOTA	162,546	\$12,345	\$5,795	\$9,802	51%	\$32,000
MISSISSIPPI	119,101	\$8,930	\$3,592	\$7,507	53%	\$29,800
MISSOURI	136,953	\$9,944	\$3,909	\$11,376	43%	\$28,800
MONTANA	<b>33,685</b>	<b>\$7,097</b>	<b>\$3,940</b>	<b>\$6,709</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>\$27,100</b>
NEBRASKA	<b>71,335</b>	<b>\$8,763</b>	<b>\$3,319</b>	<b>\$12,207</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>\$26,800</b>
NEVADA	<b>74,078</b>	<b>\$6,564</b>	n/a	<b>\$8,022</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>\$21,400</b>
NEW HAMPSHIRE	<b>30,874</b>	<b>\$16,846</b>	<b>\$7,109</b>	<b>\$3,699</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>
NEW JERSEY	<b>238,339</b>	<b>\$14,861</b>	<b>\$4,909</b>	<b>\$8,965</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>\$35,100</b>
NEW MEXICO	70,189	\$7,311	\$1,805	\$16,600	29%	\$20,900
NEW YORK	455,844	\$8,541	\$5,660	\$13,897	31%	\$31,000
NORTH CAROLINA	390,900	\$7,337	\$2,524	\$12,513	30%	\$29,700
NORTH DAKOTA	31,822	\$9,364	\$5,441	\$9,409	54%	\$32,000
OHIO	368,517	\$10,456	\$4,498	\$7,214	57%	\$30,600
OKLAHOMA	<b>120,966</b>	<b>\$8,291</b>	<b>\$4,288</b>	<b>\$7,670</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>\$27,900</b>
OREGON	<b>124,310</b>	<b>\$11,871</b>	<b>\$5,204</b>	<b>\$8,068</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>\$26,500</b>
PENNSYLVANIA	<b>299,671</b>	<b>\$14,920</b>	<b>\$5,549</b>	<b>\$6,090</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>\$39,400</b>
RHODE ISLAND	<b>28,742</b>	<b>\$14,172</b>	<b>\$4,980</b>	<b>\$6,729</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>\$36,800</b>
SOUTH CAROLINA	<b>166,231</b>	<b>\$12,605</b>	<b>\$4,991</b>	<b>\$7,150</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>\$32,600</b>
SOUTH DAKOTA	30,645	\$9,131	\$7,367	\$8,003	56%	\$32,000
TENNESSEE	173,240	\$10,397	\$4,459	\$12,354	38%	\$26,900
TEXAS	1,014,462	\$8,185	\$2,859	\$9,084	48%	\$26,300
UTAH	128,774	\$7,115	\$4,086	\$9,750	42%	\$18,300
VERMONT	19,633	\$17,683	\$6,920	\$6,363	73%	\$34,900
VIRGINIA	<b>288,995</b>	<b>\$14,273</b>	<b>\$5,196</b>	<b>\$8,283</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>\$29,600</b>
WASHINGTON	<b>207,919</b>	<b>\$7,842</b>	<b>\$4,727</b>	<b>\$10,154</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>\$24,000</b>
WEST VIRGINIA	<b>58,865</b>	<b>\$8,451</b>	<b>\$4,544</b>	<b>\$7,299</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>\$29,200</b>
WISCONSIN	<b>194,947</b>	<b>\$8,905</b>	<b>\$4,585</b>	<b>\$9,510</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>\$30,300</b>
WYOMING	<b>20,991</b>	<b>\$4,929</b>	<b>\$4,071</b>	<b>\$18,140</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>\$23,500</b>

\*National average debt of college graduates, as of January, 2023 (studentaid.gov)  
SHEEO-SHEF, NCES, Institute for College Access & Success, Chamber of Commerce

# Alaska vs. National Metrics

## Continued **EXHIBIT 35 - 44**

Alaska's National standing compared to the Highest ▲, lowest ▼, and similarly Ranked states

### EXHIBIT 35

**Student's Share of Cost**  
(Net Tuition as % of Revenues, 2022)

46<sup>th</sup>

**22%**

SIMILAR RANKED STATES:  
**FLORIDA | HAWAII**

Vermont **73%** ▲ #1  
Wyoming **17%** ▼ #50

SHEEO-SHEF

### EXHIBIT 36

**Appropriations per FTE Student** (2021-22)

2<sup>nd</sup>

**\$18,440**

SIMILAR RANKED STATES:  
**WYOMING | NEW MEXICO**

Illinois **\$22,970** ▲ #1  
New Hampshire **\$3,700** ▼ #50

SHEEO-SHEF

### EXHIBIT 37

**Percent Change in FTE Enrollment**  
(1-Year, 2021-22)\*

49<sup>th</sup>

**-10%**

SIMILAR RANKED STATES:  
**DELAWARE | NEW YORK**

New Mexico **+7%** ▲ #1  
Missouri **-13%** ▼ #50

SHEEO-SHEF

### EXHIBIT 38

**Income Inequality** (Gini Index 2022)  
Gini coefficient range: 0-1  
(perfect equality - perfect inequality)

2<sup>nd</sup>

**0.428**

SIMILAR RANKED STATES:  
**DELAWARE | IDAHO**

Utah **0.426** ▲ #1  
New York **0.521** ▼ #50

ACS

### EXHIBIT 39

**Median Household Income**  
(2022 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars)

11<sup>th</sup>

**\$88,120**

SIMILAR RANKED STATES:  
**CONNECTICUT | VIRGINIA**

New Jersey **\$96,350** ▲ #1  
Mississippi **\$52,720** ▼ #50

ACS

### EXHIBIT 40

**Cost of Living**  
(2022 Regional Price Parties, US = 100)

13<sup>th</sup>

**102**

SIMILAR RANKED STATES:  
**VIRGINIA | FLORIDA**

California **113** ▲ #1  
Arkansas **87** ▼ #50

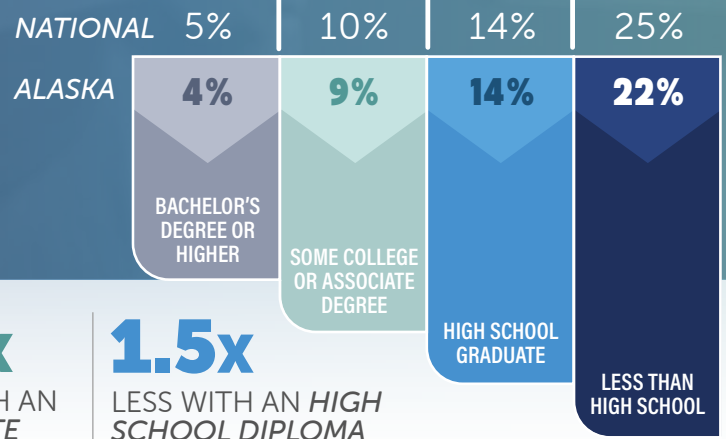
BEA

\*Alaska was among the 82% of states with a negative FTE. States with either positive or neutral FTE were: New Mexico, Arizona, South Carolina, Connecticut, Arkansas, Montana, Vermont, Idaho, and Wyoming.

EXHIBIT 41

# Alaska vs. National Poverty Rates, 2022

Alaska vs. national poverty rates by education attainment (2022). Alaska poverty rates have remained relatively static over the past three years. National poverty rates have increased to levels similar to Alaska. *US Census Bureau (ACS)*



Alaskans are **less likely** to be impoverished with education:

**5.5x**  
LESS WITH A BACHELOR'S

**2.5x**  
LESS WITH AN ASSOCIATE

**1.5x**  
LESS WITH AN HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

EXHIBIT 42

## Low-income College Participation 2020



**1 IN 10**

low-income Alaskans participate in college



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:  
**OKLAHOMA | WYOMING**

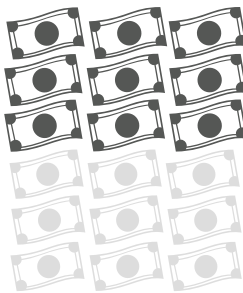
New Jersey **47%** ▲ #1  
Alaska **10%** ▼ #50

*Pell Institute*

EXHIBIT 43

## Average Tuition & Fees

Public 4-Year, 2021-22



**\$8,850**

average cost at public 4-year institutions



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:  
**NEBRASKA | WISCONSIN**

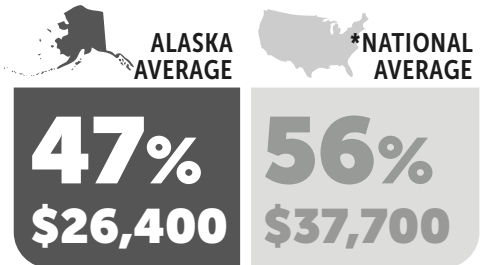
Florida **\$4,600** ▲ #1  
Vermont **\$17,700** ▼ #50

*NCES*

EXHIBIT 44

## College Graduates with Debt

Class of 2020



an Alaska college graduate holds **\$11,300 less debt** than the national average



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:  
**COLORADO | LOUISIANA**

New Hampshire **70%** ▲ #1  
Utah **39%** ▼ #50

*The Institute for College Access & Success, \*Federal Student Aid (as of Oct 2023)*

# Financial Aid & STUDENT OUTCOMES

## Federal Aid Programs

### Pell Grant

Primarily designed to support undergraduate students, the federal Pell Grant program awards aid to students with exceptional financial need. Award amounts change yearly and are determined based on need, cost of attendance, and enrollment type; for the 2023-2024 award year, the maximum Pell Grant award was **\$7,395**.

### Work-study Jobs

The federal work-study program provides part-time work for undergraduate and graduate students with financial need during their time enrolled in school.

### Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans

These federal loan programs support students at colleges, universities, community colleges, and career or

technical schools. Subsidized loans are for undergraduate students with financial need, and unsubsidized loans are for either undergraduates or graduate students and do not require the student to demonstrate financial need.

### PLUS Loans

The PLUS loan program supports eligible parents and graduate or professional students to cover costs at participating postsecondary institutions.

## State Aid Programs

ACPE administers the following programs: APS, AEG, ASEL, FEL, & REFI



### Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS)

The Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) provides an opportunity for Alaska high school graduates to earn **up to \$4,755 per year** towards their postsecondary education costs. Alaska residents graduating from an Alaska high school earn the scholarship by taking rigorous curriculum, getting good grades, and scoring well on qualifying college placement or work-ready exams. Recipients can use the scholarship at eligible Alaska institutions for up to four years of study.



### Alaska Education Grant (AEG)

The Alaska Education Grant (AEG) provides needs-based financial assistance to Alaska students attending qualifying postsecondary educational institutions in Alaska. Grant awards range from **\$500 to \$4,000 per academic year**. Awards are prioritized based on financial need, continuing full-time enrollment, and application date for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

**LEARN ABOUT THE ALASKA FAFSA COMPLETION INITIATIVE ON PAGE 25**

### Alaska Supplemental Education Loan (ASEL)

The Alaska Supplemental Education loan (ASEL) provides low-cost loans to Alaska college or career training students. Students can choose to defer payments while enrolled in school at least half-time, or make fixed monthly payments of \$50 per loan while enrolled in school at least half-time, and receive a lower interest rate.

### Alaska Family Education Loan (FEL)

The Family Education Loan (FEL) is a low-cost state loan option for family members supporting a student's postsecondary education. Parents, spouses, and grandparents can take out a loan on behalf of the student.



**Students need to know about their state financial aid options,** otherwise students may decide it is too expensive to attend college or training.

### Alaska Refinance Loan (REFI)

The Alaska Refinance Loan (REFI) is Alaska's education loan debt solution. With Alaska's REFI loan, eligible borrowers can consolidate student loan debt from any lender, including federal and private loans, to reduce the costs of repayment.

### UA Scholars

The UA Scholars award is a **\$12,000 scholarship provided to the top ten percent of all graduating seniors** from Alaska high schools and can be



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*Many Traditions One Alaska*

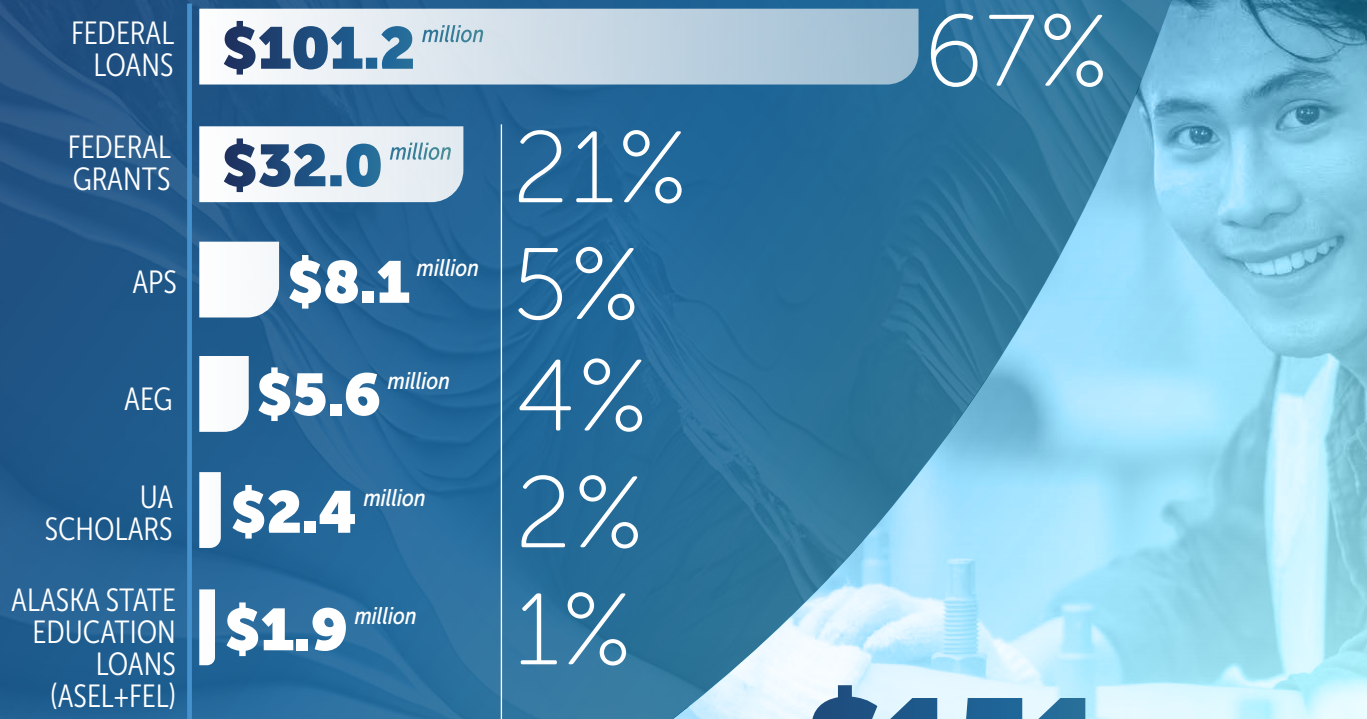
used at any of the University of Alaska (UA) campuses. It provides an incentive for

Alaska's middle and high school students to achieve academic excellence, and it is designed to nourish efforts of schools to provide high quality education and encourage top Alaska high school graduates to attend UA. The UA Scholars Program is administered by the University of Alaska and is funded through its Land Grant Endowment.

EXHIBIT 45

#### Total Federal and State Financial Aid Disbursed in Alaska:

State and Federal Aid disbursed in Alaska 2022-23. Breakdown includes the amount disbursed by each financial aid program (in millions) and the proportion (%) the disbursed amount represents relative to other programs.



**\$151** Million  
**Total Federal & State Aid Disbursed in Alaska, 2022-23**

Studentaid.gov (FY23), Internal ACPE Data (FY23), UA in Review (FY23)

# ACPE Aid vs Private For-Profit Lenders

Alaska students **pay more** with other private lenders than with ACPE:<sup>1</sup>

**\$3,300 to \$15,400**

more for fixed rate private loans.<sup>2</sup>

8.77% average national private fixed rate loan<sup>3</sup>

Lender Rates, 2023	Lowest Fixed Rate APR	Highest Fixed Rate APR
ACPE <sup>2</sup>	5.71%	8.59%
SALLIE MAE	4.50%	15.49%
COLLEGE AVE	4.43%	17.99%

## ACPE (Alaska State) Education Loans

The cost burden of pursuing postsecondary education continues to rise. This impacts students in Alaska and nationwide as they consider pursuing their education and career goals after high school. As a result, students end up taking on more student loans to continue with their education. During the 2021-22 academic year, \$13 billion was taken out in private student loans.<sup>4</sup>

PRIVATE student loans represent:

**7.3%** of all student debt **\$129 billion nationwide**

First Quarter of 2023<sup>1</sup>

Student loans are often pursued when there is a financial gap to be bridged between a student's federal and institutional aid package and the remaining cost of attendance. This gap has increased for many years. ACPE's education loans are structured to bridge that gap (**Exhibit 46**). With built-in safeguards to minimize borrowing more than a student needs, students save anywhere from **\$3,300 - \$15,400** with ACPE education loans than with other private lenders.

ACPE provides high-quality, low-cost education loan solutions to increase persistence and attainment of postsecondary education credentials. This, in turn helps build a stronger, educated, trained workforce to support the demands of the Alaskan economy.

It is important to emphasize the difference between ACPE education loans and for-profit private loans. Unlike for-profit private lenders, **ACPE loans do not offer teaser rates**. Meaning, our loans do not offer a very low interest rate that is nearly impossible to receive for most borrowers. Our rates are clearly displayed from the start. **ACPE loans are offered at a fixed rate**. This means our students do not have to worry about their payment changing from month to month, year to year. **ACPE education loans do not include fees**

ACPE loans have over twice the **APPROVAL RATE** of other private for-profit loans:<sup>5</sup>

2020

22% vs 54%

Overall Private Loan Approval Rate

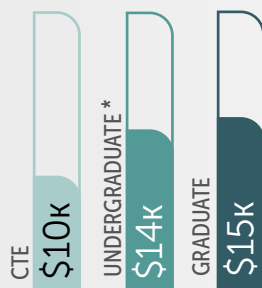
ACPE Approval Rate

EXHIBIT 46

ACPE **increased its education loan limits** to better meet the needs of our student borrowers.

New ACPE loan limits, effective 23/24 academic year.

\*On-time enrollment level  
\*\*Undergraduate and graduate enrollment levels combined



Old Annual Loan Limits (Dollars in Thousands)



NEW Loan Limit for all categories (Dollars in Thousands)\*\*

AGGREGATE LOAN LIMITS:

PAST LIMIT **\$56,000-\$60,000**

NEW LIMIT\*\* **\$96,000**

**or hidden charges.** There are no surprises when a student borrows with ACPE! Lastly, **ACPE education loans have a safeguard in place to make sure our students do not over borrow.** Our loans utilize enrollment verification with institutions to ensure students do not borrow more than they need to bridge their financial need.

ACPE is committed to providing our students with the education finance solutions needed to pursue and attain their educational goals. ACPE remains responsive to the needs of our students, the State of Alaska, the postsecondary institutions across our state, and future needs of Alaska’s workforce.

### ACPE Grants & Scholarships

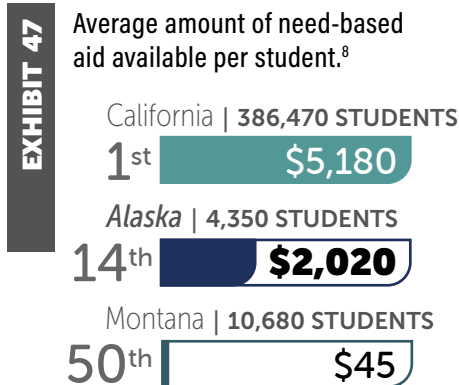
Nationwide, **\$12 billion per year** is invested through financial aid programs to support 4.5 million students.<sup>6</sup> Alaska’s two largest financial aid programs – the Alaska Education Grant (AEG) and the Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) – are administered by ACPE.

AEG is Alaska’s needs-based grant program and APS is the merit-based scholarship

**ACPE Serves:**  
**272,000+**  
Alaskans in outreach about postsecondary education resources & options (per year)

program. Both AEG and APS require students to complete the FAFSA (**Read more about the FAFSA on pages 25-27**).

At **\$2,000**, Alaska ranks 14th in the US for the average amount of need-based grants and scholarships available per student (**Exhibit 47**).<sup>7</sup>



### SOURCES:

- 1 · Student Loans for College & Graduate School, Discover®, MyRate - Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education, Current Private Student Loan Interest Rates - Credible, The Sallie Mae Smart Option Student Loan | [lendingtree.com/student/student-loan-debt-statistics/](https://lendingtree.com/student/student-loan-debt-statistics/).
  - 2 · Savings Calculation based on mid FICO level data: ACPE rate mid FICO (6.75%), avg rate overall - all FICOS (7.50%), and Avg rate mid FICO (10.07%). ACPE fixed rate APRs report fully deferred student loans, rates as of 3/27/2024 | [acpe.alaska.gov/myrate](https://acpe.alaska.gov/myrate).
  - 3 · Credible, national average 10-year fixed-rate private student loans, 8.77% during week of 3/18/24 | [credible.com/blog/student-loans/student-loan-interest-rates/](https://credible.com/blog/student-loans/student-loan-interest-rates/).
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  - 6 · Education Commission of the States, 50-State comparison: need- and merit-based financial aid - Education Commission of the States | [ecs.org/tag/need-based-financial-aid/](https://ecs.org/tag/need-based-financial-aid/).
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- NOTE: Data is licensed by LendEDU from the Peterson’s Financial Aid dataset. Data from Peterson’s is voluntarily submitted by U.S. colleges and universities themselves. This particular dataset reflects gifted financial aid in the form of need-based scholarships and grants from states.



# Alaska FAFSA COMPLETION Initiative

### The Importance and Impact of Completing the FAFSA:

Completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) connects educational

access, persistence, and attainment across postsecondary pathways. For many students, accessing these pathways means the difference between pursuing their education and career goals or putting their goals on hold.

**ON AVERAGE, IT TAKES STUDENTS LESS THAN AN HOUR TO COMPLETE THE FAFSA FOR THE FIRST TIME AND LESS THAN 30 MINUTES EACH YEAR TO RENEW.**

# \$7.4 MILLION

## in Pell Grant money *LEFT UNCLAIMED* by Alaska's High School Class of 2023 by not completing the FAFSA.

National College Attainment Network

EXHIBIT 48

For the Class of 2023, **59%** of high school seniors completed the FAFSA nationally. In Alaska, although still ranked lowest in FAFSA completion, saw a **5% increase** from the Class of 2022. *NCAN*

FAFSA Completion Rate (Class of 2023) *NCAN*



**LESS THAN 4 IN 10** Alaska high school graduates completed the FAFSA for the Class of 2023.

EXHIBIT 49

Of those Alaska students who completed the FAFSA, **one third** were eligible for the Pell grant. Compared to states with similar FAFSA completion rates, Alaska's Pell eligibility ranks last (and 50th nationally). *NCAN, FCAN*

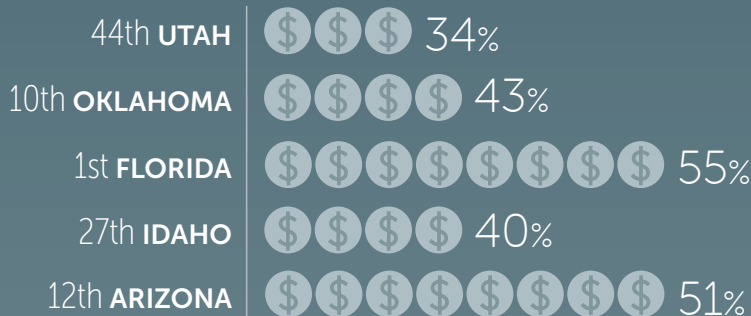
Pell Grant Eligibility (2021-22 SY/22-23 AC) *FCAN*



50th ALASKA **\$ \$ \$ 31%**

1st TENNESSEE **\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ 71%**

PELL ELIGIBILITY RATES of states with similar FAFSA completion rates to Alaska:



With historically low rates of FAFSA completion, Alaska's students lose access to critical funding sources to support postsecondary education and workforce needs. The impact of not completing the FAFSA is extensive. By not completing the FAFSA, students' access to education funding sources is limited. Without these funds, many Alaskans do not pursue education or career training, resulting in a reduction of workforce-prepared Alaskans and less future income.

**By completing the FAFSA, Alaskans gain access to education and career training opportunities and ultimately, the enhanced capacity to positively impact their lives and the lives of their families.**

In 2023, Federal Student Aid (FSA) worked towards implementing sweeping changes to the FAFSA for the 2024-25 school year. These changes include updated application questions, financial need calculations, as well as the FAFSA platform itself. As a result, there was a delayed release of the 2024-25 FAFSA from October 1, 2023 to a mid-December 2023 soft launch period.



### The Alaska FAFSA Summit

Leading up to the release of the 2024-25 FAFSA,

ACPE hosted the first-ever in-person Alaska FAFSA Summit, with support from the University of Alaska. Bringing together over 120 education stakeholders, the goal of the Alaska FAFSA Summit was to develop strategies to increase FAFSA completion through statewide initiatives and/or policies. FAFSA Summit attendees Alaska-wide representation from: secondary administrators, teachers,

and counselors; postsecondary administrators, Alaska Native Education Foundations, Alaska Native Corporations, and the State of Alaska

The Alaska FAFSA Summit hosted highly regarded speakers and panelists from Alaska and the Lower 48, representing organizations including: State of Alaska Legislature, Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, the National College Attainment Network, and the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Aid.

Through the Summit's collaborative efforts, participants identified challenges and barriers to FAFSA completion statewide, initiated a goal to create a resource for statewide distribution regarding student Special Circumstances leading to Independent Student Status, and identified a collective statewide FAFSA completion campaign.



**For more information** about FAFSA Completion initiatives in Alaska, visit: [ACPE.ALASKA.GOV/ALASKAFAFSACOMPLETION](http://ACPE.ALASKA.GOV/ALASKAFAFSACOMPLETION).

**\$16,150**

in potential earning for **ONE HOUR** of work completing the FAFSA — a great return on investment!

- \$4,755 APS
- \$4,000 AEG
- \$7,395 PELL GRANTS

**-\$16,150 PER YEAR LOST** by not completing the FAFSA

NOTE: Potential earnings listed above are based on maximum award amounts.

## ACPE's Alaska FAFSA Completion Initiative & FAFSA Completion Resources:

ACPE's Master the FAFSA Training	1	Empowering education stakeholders and providing them with the knowledge and understanding of the FAFSA process so they can independently assist their students and families with successful FAFSA completion.
One-on-one FAFSA Completion Appointments	2	Schedule appointments with ACPE Success Center staff for assistance with FAFSA completion; postsecondary application and scholarship research; and more. Appointments are made using the virtual <b>Youcanbook.me Appointment Scheduler</b> .
Online Resource Library	3	ACPE materials are all available for download and/or mailing on the Success Center website. Some of these materials include: <i>FAFSA Quick-Sheet</i> ; <i>info cards on APS, AEG, Education Loans, and student ASAP account</i> ; <i>Smart Savings Guide</i> .
Funding Your Future (FYF) Presentations	4	FYF is a preparatory presentation which includes topics such as: what financial aid is, how it works, and how to apply; how to create a FAFSA account (required before filling out the FAFSA); grants, scholarships, and loans; and much more.
ACPE FAFSA Completion Website	5	Dedicated to continually providing content, resources, and guidance, ACPE developed the Alaska FAFSA Completion website. Here Alaskans can find relevant FAFSA completion information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week: <a href="http://acpe.alaska.gov/alaskafafsacompletion">acpe.alaska.gov/alaskafafsacompletion</a> .
Presentations & Events	6	ACPE staff attend virtual and in-person FAFSA/financial aid and college & career fairs across Alaska. During these events staff deliver presentations, provide materials, and schedule follow-up appointments.

# APS

## Alaska Performance Scholarship Highlights



*The APS promotes high school achievement, allows greater access to postsecondary education, & helps retain students in Alaska.*

### APS Program Qualification Requirements

*To be eligible for the APS, students must:*

- 1 Obtain a grade point average of 2.5 or greater
- 2 Meet required testing scores: SAT (at least 1060), ACT (21), WorkKeys (13)
- 3 Complete the required high school curriculum

EXHIBIT 50

### APS Eligibility & Use

Award Year Breakdown, Class of 2023

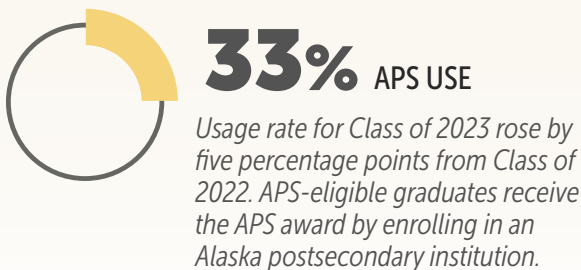
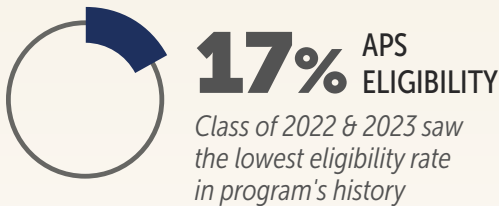


EXHIBIT 51

### Alaska Natives & the APS

Alaska Native/American Indian students made up one fifth (**19%**) of the 2023 graduating class, but only comprised **5%** of APS-eligible students. In contrast, white students represented half (**49%**) of the 2023 graduating class and comprised **67%** of those eligible for APS.

Despite this disparity, APS use by Alaska Native/American Indian students **increased 2.5 times** between the Class of 2022 and 2023.

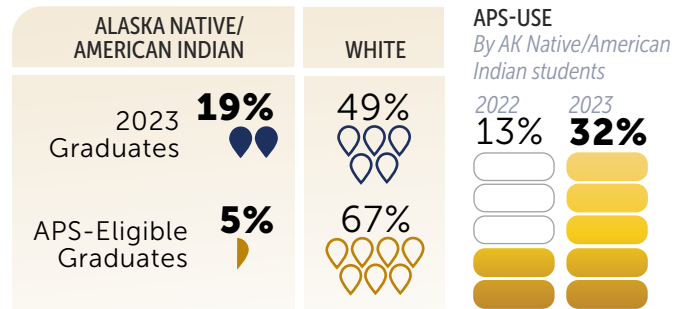
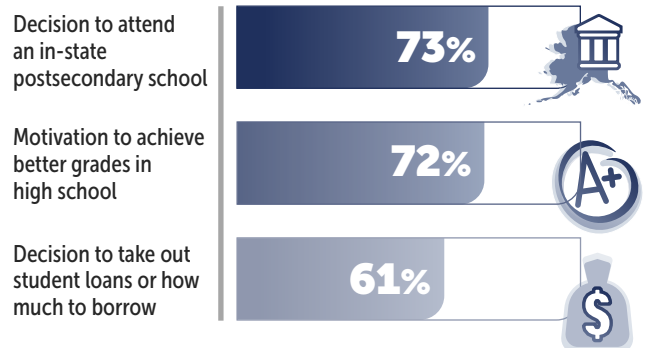


EXHIBIT 52

### Former APS Recipients, Student Survey 2023

The APS significantly influences the motivations and decisions of Alaska high school graduates:



# \$106 million HAS BEEN AWARDED TO 12,400 HIGH ACHIEVING STUDENTS SINCE 2011.

EXHIBIT 53

## Postsecondary Outcomes of APS Recipients



APS RECIPIENTS ARE BETTER PREPARED FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION

Only 2% of APS recipients require developmental coursework, compared with nearly 24% of non-recipients.

### APS RECIPIENTS ATTEMPT AND COMPLETE MORE CREDIT HOURS

1.3 times more attempted credit hours are completed by APS students than other first-time freshmen.



APS RECIPIENTS PERSIST INTO THEIR 2ND YEAR OF SCHOOL AT HIGHER RATES

1.5 times more likely for APS recipients to persist into their 2nd year compared to other first-time freshmen.

### APS RECIPIENTS ARE MORE LIKELY TO COMPLETE PROGRAMS

2 times more likely for APS recipients to graduate from a bachelor's degree program than other first-time freshmen.



EXHIBIT 54

## Long-term Retention of APS Recipients to Alaska

### Alaska Residency:

The APS helps to retain high-achieving, skilled Alaska graduates. Below demonstrates the difference between APS recipient vs. ineligible student residency rates.

APS RECIPIENTS HAVE A RANGE OF

**+9-15%**

HIGHER RESIDENCY RATES than ineligible students, primarily 2-6 years after college graduation

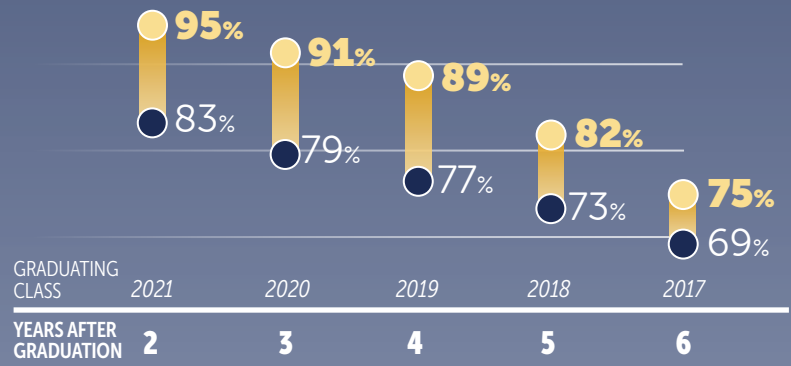
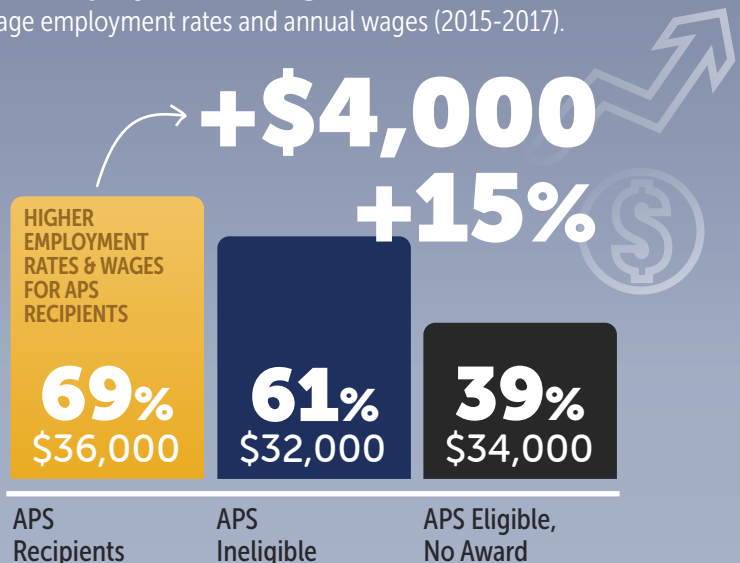


EXHIBIT 55

### Alaska Employment & Wages:

Average employment rates and annual wages (2015-2017).



## APS's Future: Student Insights



The APS has helped retain educated & skilled Alaskans as contributors to the Alaskan economy for over a decade. Despite the award's benefits, APS usage has declined. This decline prompted ACPE to connect with Alaska's APS-eligible and ineligible high school graduates to **identify APS barriers and the solutions** needed to make APS relevant for future Alaskans.

STUDENT INSIGHTS IDENTIFIED **three primary barriers** THAT REQUIRE ACTION:

- 1 **EARLIER** Award Notification & Program Awareness
- 2 **REASSESS** Standardized Testing Requirements
- 3 **INCREASE** Award Amount & Ease of Use

ACPE supports ongoing efforts to remove existing barriers to increase access & use of the APS. Specific recommendations to address these barriers are outlined in the **Recommendations Report** at:

[acpe.alaska.gov/Portals/3/APS/Pubs/ACPE\\_APS\\_Program\\_Review\\_and\\_Recs\\_2021.pdf](https://acpe.alaska.gov/Portals/3/APS/Pubs/ACPE_APS_Program_Review_and_Recs_2021.pdf)

# AEG

## Alaska Education Grant Highlights



Students are selected for AEG based on financial need, determined by income information from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

EXHIBIT 56

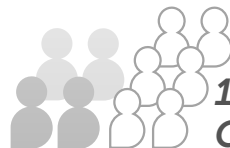
### AEG STATS

2023 Award Year Breakdown

**2,704**   
Total Number of AEG Recipients

**\$2,118**   
Average Award Amount

**28**  Average Age

**39%**  1st Generation

**8%**  Alaska Native  
OVER 200 STUDENTS



# \$67 MILLION HAS BEEN DISBURSED TO 24,000 ALASKA STUDENTS WITH FINANCIAL NEED SINCE 2006

The amount of students eligible for the AEG exceeds the amount of grant funding available each year. Below is the selection criteria used to prioritize award disbursements to students with the highest financial need. This criteria also identifies actions eligible students can take to increase likelihood of receiving an award:



- 1 Student's financial need, from the student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC) estimate calculated from the FAFSA
- 2 Status as AEG recipient in the previous academic year
- 3 Student's enrollment level that term, with full-time students prioritized over part-time students
- 4 FAFSA filing date, beginning with the earliest date

**OVER HALF**

of former AEG recipients said the grant influenced the number of hours needed to work while attending school.

**3 OUT OF 5**

former AEG recipients said the grant had a role in their ability to graduate for those who reported they had graduated with a credential.

EXHIBIT 57

## AEG Recipients at University of Alaska (UA):

UA in Review, FY23

 \$3,290

Average total aid received by AEG recipients attending UA (includes grants, loans, scholarships, and other aid types).

 13%

Proportion of credentials (degrees, certificates, and endorsements) that went to Alaska Native/American Indian students at UA.

 16%

Proportion of credentials that went to Alaska Native/American Indian AEG recipients at UA.

### UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS

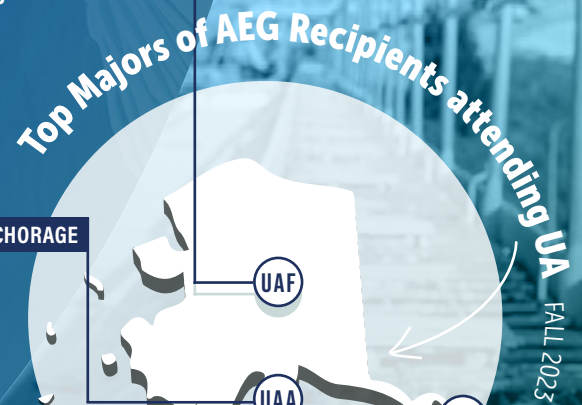
- 1 Biological Sciences
- 2 Social Work
- 3 Psychology

### UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE

- 1 Nursing / Pre-Major Nursing
- 2 General Program
- 3 Psychology

### UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA SOUTHEAST

- 1 Business Administration
- 2 General Program
- 3 Elementary Education



# Alaska POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

**EXHIBIT 58**

## Colleges & Universities




*IPEDS, ACPE Surveys*

-  **CAMPUS LOCATION(S)**
-  **Award Types Offered**
-  **Learn More (Website)**

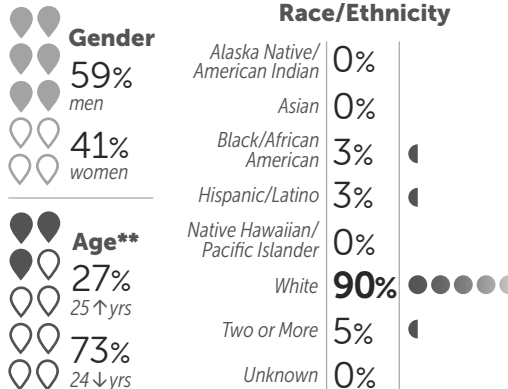
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<b>PG 34</b> Alaska Pacific University	<b>PG 36</b> UAA		

\*Alaska Satellite Campus  
 \*\*IPEDS age data submission optional for Fall 2022 (Fall 2021 age data reported when Fall 2022 null)  
 NOTE: Race/Ethnicity may not equal 100% due to rounding and non-resident exclusion. Top Programs list programs among the most numerous award type reported from each institution.

## ALASKA BIBLE COLLEGE

 PALMER  
 Certificates · Associate · Bachelor's  
 [akbible.edu](http://akbible.edu)

### DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2022)



### 39 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2022)

100%	0%	Undergraduate   Graduate
54%	46%	Full-Time   Part-Time
0%		With Some Distance Education
0%		Nonresident

### \$10,900 TUITION & FEES (AY23)

AY22	89% (AVG \$8,702)	Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid
AY22	52% (AVG \$4,134)	Pell Grant
AY23	26% (AVG \$3,269)	Alaska Performance Scholarship
AY23	36% (AVG \$1,982)	Alaska Education Grant
AY22	7% (AVG \$6,516)	Federal Student Loans
AY23	0% (AVG \$0)	Alaska State Education Loans

### Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of Normal Time, First-Time, Full-Time, Degree/Certificate-Seeking Undergraduates (2016 Cohort):

**50%** TOTAL

50%	Men	33%	White
50%	Women		Alaska Native

### 1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2022)

**25%** | Full-Time | Part-Time

### Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of normal time (2016 Cohort):

50%	Pell Grant Recipients
	Stafford Loan Recipients
	Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

### Top Programs Bachelor's Awarded AY2022

◆ Theology and Religious Vocations · 4

### Total Awards AY2022

- 1..... Certificate Below Bachelor's
- Certificate Above Bachelor's
- 1..... Associate
- 4..... Bachelor's
- Master's
- Doctorate/Professional Degree

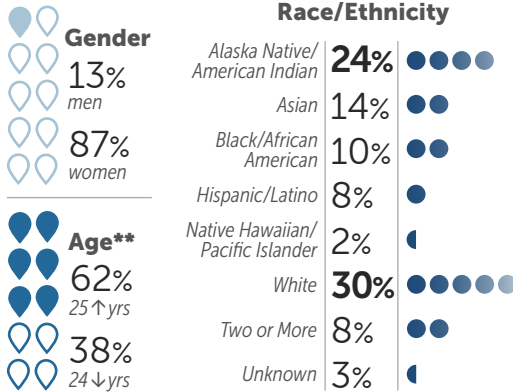
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# ALASKA CAREER COLLEGE

ANCHORAGE  
 Certificates · Associate  
[alaskacareercollege.edu](http://alaskacareercollege.edu)



## DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2022)



\*\*Fall 2021

## 268 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2022)

100% | 0% Undergraduate | Graduate

100% | 0% Full-Time | Part-Time

0% With Some Distance Education

0% Nonresident

## \$16,245 TUITION & FEES (AY23)

AY22 **69%** (AVG \$6,568) Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid

AY22 **63%** (AVG \$5,512) Pell Grant

AY23 **2%** (AVG \$3,467) Alaska Performance Scholarship

AY23 **65%** (AVG \$2,712) Alaska Education Grant

AY22 **60%** (AVG \$6,473) Federal Student Loans

AY23 **3.7%** (AVG \$9,230) Alaska State Education Loans

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student** within 150% of Normal Time, First-Time, Full-Time, Degree/Certificate-Seeking Undergraduates (2016 Cohort):

## 70% TOTAL

61% Men | 77% White

72% Women | 72% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year **Retention Rates** (Fall 2022)

73% | Full-Time | Part-Time

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student** within 150% of normal time (2016 Cohort):

81% Pell Grant Recipients

69% Stafford Loan Recipients

47% Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

### Top Programs

*Certificates Awarded* AY2022

◆ Health Professions & Related Programs · 180

### Total Awards AY2022

180.... Certificate Below Bachelor's

• Certificate Above Bachelor's

35..... Associate

• Bachelor's

• Master's

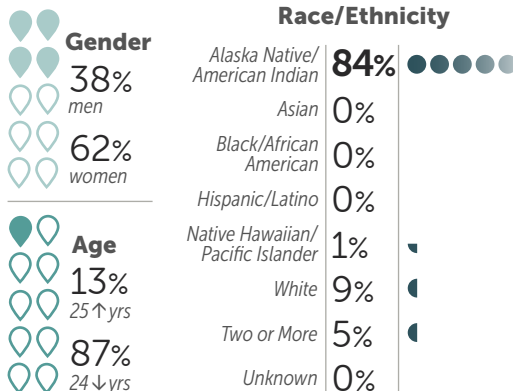
• Doctorate/Professional Degree

# ALASKA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

SOLDOTNA  
 Associate  
[alaskacc.edu](http://alaskacc.edu)



## DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2022)



## 77 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2022)

100% | 0% Undergraduate | Graduate

95% | 5% Full-Time | Part-Time

0% With Some Distance Education

0% Nonresident

## \$8,614 TUITION & FEES (AY23)

AY22 **100%** (AVG \$18,448) Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid

AY22 **82%** (AVG \$5,069) Pell Grant

AY23 **9%** (AVG \$1,902) Alaska Performance Scholarship

AY23 **92%** (AVG \$2,525) Alaska Education Grant

AY22 • (AVG •) Federal Student Loans

AY23 **0%** (AVG \$0) Alaska State Education Loans

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student** within 150% of Normal Time, First-Time, Full-Time, Degree/Certificate-Seeking Undergraduates (2016 Cohort):

## 27% TOTAL

25% Men | 100% White

29% Women | 20% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year **Retention Rates** (Fall 2022)

63% | Full-Time | Part-Time

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student** within 150% of normal time (2016 Cohort):

25% Pell Grant Recipients

• Stafford Loan Recipients

100% Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

### Top Programs

*Associates Awarded* AY2022

◆ Theology & Religious Vocations · 3

◆ Education · 2 | Liberal Arts and Sciences, General Studies, and Humanities · 2 | Health Profession & Related Programs · 2

### Total Awards AY2022

• Certificate Below Bachelor's

• Certificate Above Bachelor's

9..... Associate

• Bachelor's

• Master's

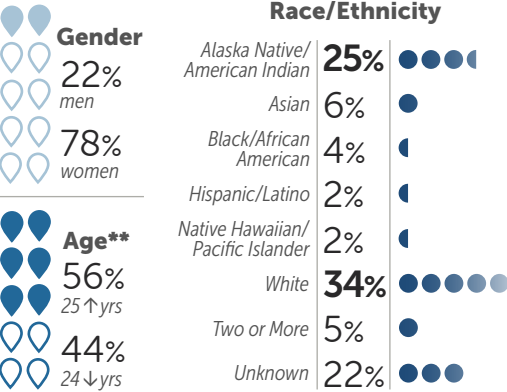
• Doctorate/Professional Degree

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# 4 ALASKA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY (APU)

**ANCHORAGE**  
 Certificates · Associate · Bachelor's  
 Master's · Graduate  
 alaskapacific.edu

## DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2022)



\*\*Fall 2021

<b>595</b>	ENROLLMENT (FALL 2022)
<b>82%   18%</b>	Undergraduate   Graduate
<b>74%   26%</b>	Full-Time   Part-Time
<b>17%</b>	With Some Distance Education
<b>1%</b>	Nonresident

<b>\$20,760</b>	TUITION & FEES (AY23)
AY22 <b>90%</b> (AVG \$12,413)	Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid
AY22 <b>38%</b> (AVG \$4,763)	Pell Grant
AY23 <b>12%</b> (AVG \$3,566)	Alaska Performance Scholarship
AY23 <b>22%</b> (AVG \$2,325)	Alaska Education Grant
AY22 <b>52%</b> (AVG \$7,914)	Federal Student Loans
AY23 <b>1.6%</b> (AVG \$10,438)	Alaska State Education Loans

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student**  
 within 150% of Normal Time, First-Time,  
 Full-Time, Degree/Certificate-Seeking  
 Undergraduates (2016 Cohort):

<b>36%</b>	TOTAL
<b>31%</b>	Men
<b>32%</b>	White
<b>39%</b>	Women
<b>75%</b>	Alaska Native

**1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2022)**  
**82% | 50%** Full-Time | Part-Time

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student**  
 within 150% of normal time (2016 Cohort):

<b>15%</b>	Pell Grant Recipients
<b>0%</b>	Stafford Loan Recipients
<b>92%</b>	Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

### Top Programs

- Bachelor's Awarded AY2022*
- Psychology · 16
  - Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies · 15
  - Business Management, Marketing & Related Support Services · 11

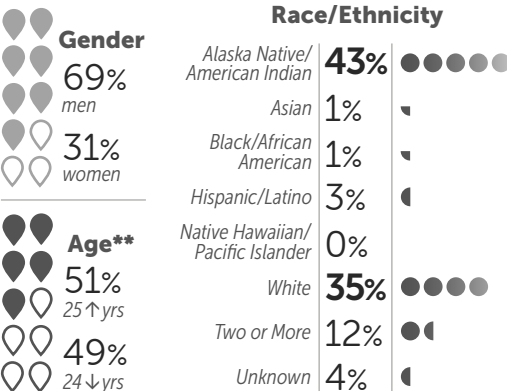
### Total Awards AY2022

- 3..... Certificate Below Bachelor's
- 2..... Certificate Above Bachelor's
- 24..... Associate
- 63..... Bachelor's
- 41..... Master's
- 1..... Doctorate/Professional Degree

# 5 ALASKA VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL CENTER (AVTEC)

**SEWARD**  
 Certificates  
 avtec.edu

## DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2022)



\*\*Fall 2021

<b>202</b>	ENROLLMENT (FALL 2022)
<b>100%   0%</b>	Undergraduate   Graduate
<b>66%   34%</b>	Full-Time   Part-Time
<b>0%</b>	With Some Distance Education
<b>0%</b>	Nonresident

<b>\$4,611</b>	TUITION & FEES (AY23)
AY22 <b>9%</b> (AVG \$7,075)	Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid
AY22 <b>5%</b> (AVG \$5,361)	Pell Grant
AY23 <b>11%</b> (AVG \$3,256)	Alaska Performance Scholarship
AY23 <b>13%</b> (AVG \$2,537)	Alaska Education Grant
AY22 <b>1%</b> (AVG \$8,607)	Federal Student Loans
AY23 <b>0.5%</b> (AVG \$10,000)	Alaska State Education Loans

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student**  
 within 150% of Normal Time, First-Time,  
 Full-Time, Degree/Certificate-Seeking  
 Undergraduates (2016 Cohort):

<b>86%</b>	TOTAL
▪ Men	▪ White
▪ Women	▪ Alaska Native

**1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2022)**  
**85% | 78%** Full-Time | Part-Time

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student**  
 within 150% of normal time (2016 Cohort):

<b>100%</b>	Pell Grant Recipients
<b>100%</b>	Stafford Loan Recipients
<b>76%</b>	Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

### Top Programs

- Certificates Awarded AY2022*
- Mechanic & Repair Technologies/Technicians · 24
  - Engineering & Engineering-related Technologies/Technicians · 19
  - Business Management, Marketing & Related Support Services · 12

### Total Awards AY2022

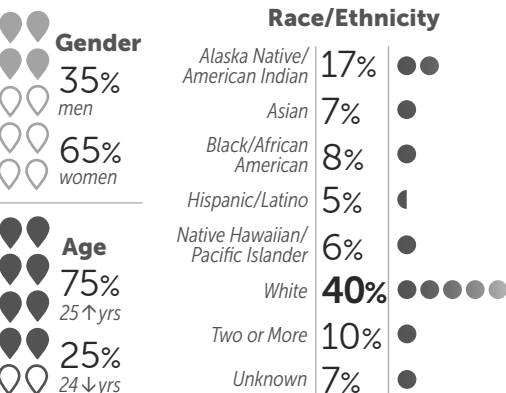
- 92..... Certificate Below Bachelor's
- Certificate Above Bachelor's
- Associate
- Bachelor's
- Master's
- Doctorate/Professional Degree

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# CHARTER COLLEGE (AK)

ANCHORAGE · WASILLA  
 Certificates · Associate · Bachelor's  
 chartercollege.edu

## DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2022)



## 728 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2022)

100% | 0% Undergraduate | Graduate

100% | · Full-Time | Part-Time

100% With Some Distance Education

0% Nonresident

## \$18,453 TUITION & FEES (AY23)

AY22 64% (AVG \$5,400) Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid

AY22 60% (AVG \$4,742) Pell Grant

AY23 2% (AVG \$2,404) Alaska Performance Scholarship

AY23 32% (AVG \$2,136) Alaska Education Grant

AY22 74% (AVG \$8,178) Federal Student Loans

AY23 · (AVG ·) Alaska State Education Loans

### Top Programs

Associates Awarded AY2022

- ◆ Nursing · 96
- ◆ Business Management · 13
- ◆ Allied Health · 10

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of Normal Time, First-Time, Full-Time, Degree/Certificate-Seeking Undergraduates (2016 Cohort):**

**55%** TOTAL

51% Men | 61% White

56% Women | 41% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2022)

0% | · Full-Time | Part-Time

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of normal time (2016 Cohort):**

54% Pell Grant Recipients

70% Stafford Loan Recipients

47% Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

### Total Awards AY2022

147..... Certificate Below Bachelor's

· Certificate Above Bachelor's

191..... Associate

37..... Bachelor's

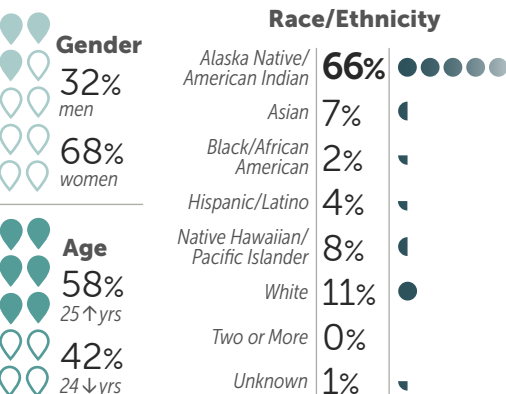
· Master's

· Doctorate/Professional Degree

# ILISAGVIK COLLEGE

UTQIAGVIK  
 Certificates · Associate · Bachelor's  
 ilisagvik.edu

## DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2022)



## 179 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2022)

100% | 0% Undergraduate | Graduate

27% | 73% Full-Time | Part-Time

54% With Some Distance Education

0% Nonresident

## \$5,260 TUITION & FEES (AY23)

AY22 100% (AVG \$2,523) Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid

AY22 12% (AVG \$2,149) Pell Grant

AY23 1% (AVG \$1,190) Alaska Performance Scholarship

AY23 15% (AVG \$1,808) Alaska Education Grant

AY22 · (AVG ·) Federal Student Loans

AY23 0% (AVG \$0) Alaska State Education Loans

### Top Programs

Certificates Awarded AY2022

- ◆ Health Professions & Related Programs · 10
- ◆ Education · 6
- ◆ Business Management, Marketing & Related Services · 6

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of Normal Time, First-Time, Full-Time, Degree/Certificate-Seeking Undergraduates (2016 Cohort):**

**75%** TOTAL

50% Men | 0% White

83% Women | 86% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2022)

· | 100% Full-Time | Part-Time

**Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of normal time (2016 Cohort):**

· Pell Grant Recipients

· Stafford Loan Recipients

75% Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

### Total Awards AY2022

36..... Certificate Below Bachelor's

· Certificate Above Bachelor's

15..... Associate

1..... Bachelor's

· Master's

· Doctorate/Professional Degree

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# UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE (UAA)

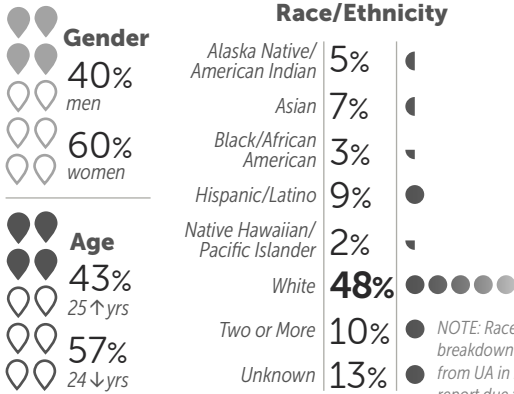
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KODIAK · MAT-SU · PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND

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Master's · Graduate

uaa.alaska.edu



## DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2022)



NOTE: Race/Ethnicity breakdown differs from UA in Review report due to differences in reporting methodology.

## 10,464 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2022)

95%   5%	Undergraduate   Graduate
39%   61%	Full-Time   Part-Time
77%	With Some Distance Education
2%	Nonresident

## \$7,508 TUITION & FEES (AY23)

AY22	52% (AVG \$6,993)	Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid
AY22	19% (AVG \$4,025)	Pell Grant
AY23	13% (AVG \$3,259)	Alaska Performance Scholarship
AY23	13% (AVG \$2,055)	Alaska Education Grant
AY22	16% (AVG \$6,647)	Federal Student Loans
AY23	0.6% (AVG \$7,750)	Alaska State Education Loans

### Top Programs

Bachelor's Awarded AY2022

- ◆ Health Professions & Related Programs · 215
- ◆ Business Management, Marketing & Related Support Services · 160
- ◆ Engineering · 67

Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of Normal Time, First-Time, Full-Time, Degree/Certificate-Seeking Undergraduates (2016 Cohort):

30% TOTAL

27% Men	34% White
33% Women	8% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2022)

66% | 47% Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of normal time (2016 Cohort):

23%	Pell Grant Recipients
27%	Stafford Loan Recipients
34%	Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

### Total Awards AY2022

201.....	Certificate Below Bachelor's
44.....	Certificate Above Bachelor's
581.....	Associate
893.....	Bachelor's
172.....	Master's
4.....	Doctorate/Professional Degree

# UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS (UAF)

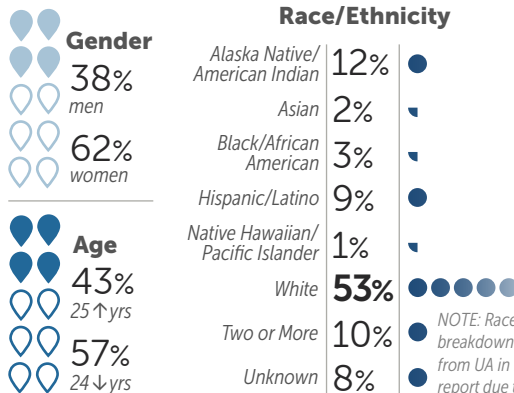
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Master's · Graduate

uaf.edu



## DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2022)



NOTE: Race/Ethnicity breakdown differs from UA in Review report due to differences in reporting methodology.

## 6,607 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2022)

85%   15%	Undergraduate   Graduate
40%   60%	Full-Time   Part-Time
78%	With Some Distance Education
3%	Nonresident

## \$7,896 TUITION & FEES (AY23)

AY22	68% (AVG \$6,091)	Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid
AY22	22% (AVG \$3,929)	Pell Grant
AY23	16% (AVG \$3,688)	Alaska Performance Scholarship
AY23	11% (AVG \$1,982)	Alaska Education Grant
AY22	18% (AVG \$6,781)	Federal Student Loans
AY23	0.7% (AVG \$9,464)	Alaska State Education Loans

### Top Programs

Bachelor's Awarded AY2022

- ◆ Business Management, Marketing & Related Support Services · 69
- ◆ Engineering · 65
- ◆ Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, Firefighting & Related Protective Services · 55

Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of Normal Time, First-Time, Full-Time, Degree/Certificate-Seeking Undergraduates (2016 Cohort):

39% TOTAL

38% Men	48% White
39% Women	22% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2022)

70% | 43% Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of normal time (2016 Cohort):

27%	Pell Grant Recipients
30%	Stafford Loan Recipients
44%	Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

### Total Awards AY2022

227.....	Certificate Below Bachelor's
49.....	Certificate Above Bachelor's
226.....	Associate
493.....	Bachelor's
182.....	Master's
32.....	Doctorate/Professional Degree

# UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA SOUTHEAST (UAS)

JUNEAU · SITKA · KETCHIKAN

Certificates · Associate · Bachelor's · Master's

uas.alaska.edu

## DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2022)

### Gender

35% men

65% women

Age 48% 25 ↑ yrs

52% 24 ↓ yrs

### Race/Ethnicity

Alaska Native/American Indian 11%

Asian 4%

Black/African American 1%

Hispanic/Latino 8%

Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 1%

White 55%

Two or More 11%

Unknown 7%

NOTE: Race/Ethnicity breakdown differs from UA in Review report due to differences in reporting methodology.

1,923 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2022)

90% | 10% Undergraduate | Graduate

28% | 72% Full-Time | Part-Time

67% With Some Distance Education

1% Nonresident

\$6,960 TUITION & FEES (AY23)

AY22 44% (AVG \$6,553) Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid

AY22 16% (AVG \$3,901) Pell Grant

AY23 8% (AVG \$3,421) Alaska Performance Scholarship

AY23 9% (AVG \$2,024) Alaska Education Grant

AY22 14% (AVG \$6,583) Federal Student Loans

AY23 0.2% (AVG \$10,063) Alaska State Education Loans

### Top Programs

Certificates Awarded AY2022

◆ Health Professions & Related Support Services · 64

◆ Business Management, Marketing & Related Support Services · 22

◆ Precision Production · 22

Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of Normal Time, First-Time, Full-Time, Degree/Certificate-Seeking Undergraduates (2016 Cohort):

25% TOTAL

26% Men | 31% White

24% Women | 9% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2022)

65% | 25% Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of normal time (2016 Cohort):

12% Pell Grant Recipients

30% Stafford Loan Recipients

32% Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

### Total Awards AY2022

161..... Certificate Below Bachelor's

41..... Certificate Above Bachelor's

81..... Associate

104..... Bachelor's

76..... Master's

• ..... Doctorate/Professional Degree

# WAYLAND BAPTIST UNIVERSITY (AK)

ANCHORAGE

Certificates · Associate · Bachelor's

wbu.edu/ak

## DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2022)

### Gender

54% men

46% women

Age 80% 25 ↑ yrs

20% 24 ↓ yrs

### Race/Ethnicity

Alaska Native/American Indian 2%

Asian 4%

Black/African American 12%

Hispanic/Latino 15%

Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 3%

White 49%

Two or More 11%

Unknown 4%

190 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2022)

76% | 24% Undergraduate | Graduate

77% | 23% Full-Time | Part-Time

85% With Some Distance Education

1% Nonresident

\$8,156 TUITION & FEES (AY23)

AY22 12% (AVG \$2,379) Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid

AY22 17% (AVG \$3,901) Pell Grant

AY23 1% (AVG \$4,755) Alaska Performance Scholarship

AY23 11% (AVG \$1,363) Alaska Education Grant

AY22 16% (AVG \$4,379) Federal Student Loans

AY23 (AVG . ) Alaska State Education Loans

### Top Programs

Bachelor's Awarded AY2022

◆ Business Administration · 14

◆ Management · 11

◆ Applied Science · 7

Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of Normal Time, First-Time, Full-Time, Degree/Certificate-Seeking Undergraduates (2016 Cohort):

19% TOTAL

14% Men | 30% White

28% Women | Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2022)

39% | 41% Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Student within 150% of normal time (2016 Cohort):

12% Pell Grant Recipients

23% Stafford Loan Recipients

37% Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

### Total Awards AY2022

0..... Certificate Below Bachelor's

0..... Certificate Above Bachelor's

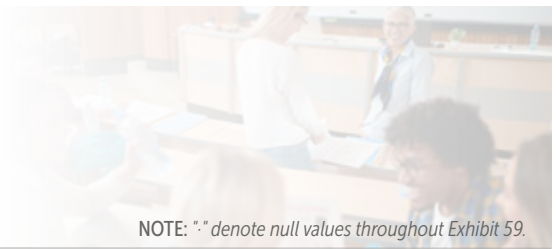
12..... Associate

37..... Bachelor's

• ..... Master's

• ..... Doctorate/Professional Degree

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EXHIBIT 59

## Other Collegiate Institutions

ACPE Surveys & Institutional Authorization Annual Reporting

🏠 LOCATION    🎓 GRADUATION RATE    📶 LEARN MORE (WEBSITE)

TOP PROGRAMS:      TUITION & FEES:      FINANCIAL AID:

### EMBRY-RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIVERSITY · WORLDWIDE    🏠 FORT RICHARDSON, ANCHORAGE

<p>📶 <a href="http://erau.edu">erau.edu</a></p> <p>🎓 GRAD RATE (22-2023): Data not reported on IPEDS due to students being part-time</p>	<p>NOTE: Enrollment at the Anchorage location of ERAU is only for military personnel based in Alaska.</p>	<p>1 B.S. in Aeronautics – 8</p> <p>2 B.S. in Aviation Maintenance – 3</p> <p>3 M.S. in Aeronautics – 2</p>	<p><a href="http://worldwide.erau.edu/admissions/cost-tuition/">worldwide.erau.edu/admissions/cost-tuition/</a></p>	<p>+ Federal (VA Funding)</p> <p>+ Other (Self Pay)</p>
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### THE MASTER'S SEMINARY    🏠 ANCHORAGE

<p>📶 <a href="mailto:nlemaster@tms.edu">nlemaster@tms.edu</a></p> <p>🎓 GRAD RATE: • FALL SEMESTER 2023</p>	<p>No graduates as of 2023: 4 year program for full-time students and the students who started in Fall of 2019 are part time.</p>	<p>1 Master of Divinity – 6</p> <p>2 Bachelor of Theology – 3</p> <p>3 Diploma of Theology – 1</p>	<p>\$500 per unit</p> <p>+ \$485 in fees per semester (Full Time: 11 units)</p>	<p>+ Distance Location Alumni Scholarship reduces the tuition cost from \$500 to \$400/unit. Students must be full time and hold a 3.0 GPA or higher.</p>
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### OUTERCOAST    🏠 SITKA

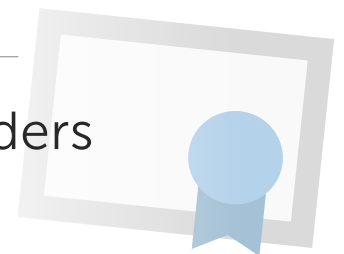
<p>📶 <a href="http://outercoast.org">outercoast.org</a></p> <p>🎓 GRAD RATE: n/a 22-2023</p>	<p>1 Outer Coast Semester (Fall: Aug-Dec) – 14</p>	<p>\$12,500</p>	<p>+ For all Outer Coast programs, Outer Coast offers full, means-based scholarships and meets 100% of demonstrated financial need for admitted students. Ninety percent of Outer Coast students receive financial aid for their program.</p>
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EXHIBIT 60

## Alaska Career & Technical Training Providers

ACPE Surveys & Institutional Authorization Annual Reporting

🏠 LOCATION    🎓 GRADUATION RATE    📶 LEARN MORE (WEBSITE)



NOTE: "." denote null values throughout Exhibit 60.

ANCHORAGE

ACADEMY OF HAIR DESIGN	TOP PROGRAMS:	TUITION & FEES:	FINANCIAL AID:
<p>📶 <a href="http://ahdalaska.com">ahdalaska.com</a></p> <p>🎓 GRAD RATE: 100% 22-2023 (91% Manicurist)</p>	<p>1 Manicurist – 40</p> <p>2 Esthetician – 26</p> <p>3 Combination Barber/Hairdresser – 22</p>	<p>\$425 12 hour Manicuring</p> <p>\$7,800 Esthetics</p> <p>\$10,500 Combination Barber/Hairdresser</p>	<p>+ ACPE (Loans, APS, AEG)</p> <p>+ DOLWD (DVR)</p> <p>+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations</p> <p>+ Other (Self Pay)</p>
A HEAD OF TIME DESIGN ACADEMY	TOP PROGRAMS:	TUITION & FEES:	FINANCIAL AID:
<p>📶 <a href="http://facebook.com/topofthelinebeautysupply/">facebook.com/topofthelinebeautysupply/</a></p> <p>🎓 GRAD RATE: 100% 22-2023</p>	<p>1 12 Hr Manicuring – 19</p> <p>2 Esthetics – 4</p> <p>3 Non-Chemical Barber – 2</p>	<p>\$600 12 Hr Manicuring</p> <p>\$6,950 Esthetics</p> <p>\$7,975 Non-Chemical Barber</p>	<p>+ DOLWD (WIOA, Other)</p> <p>+ Other (Self Pay)</p>
ALASKA INSTITUTE OF ORIENTAL MEDICINE, ACUPUNCTURE, & MASSAGE THERAPY	TOP PROGRAMS:	TUITION & FEES:	FINANCIAL AID:
<p>📶 <a href="http://akinstitute.com">akinstitute.com</a></p> <p>🎓 GRAD RATE: 93% 22-2023</p>	<p>1 830 Hr Massage Therapy Program – 27</p>	<p>\$16,422</p>	<p>+ ACPE (Loans)</p> <p>+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations</p> <p>+ DOLWD (DVR, WIOA, STEP Grant)</p> <p>+ Federal (VA Funding)</p>



ANCHORAGE

**CENTER FOR EMPLOYMENT EDUCATION**

cee-ak.com

GRAD RATE: 80%  
22-2023

1 6-Week Basic Driver Training, CDLA – 13

\$10,366

+ Employers  
+ DOLWD (WIOA)  
+ Other (Self Pay)

**HAIR SCIENCE**

hairsciencetheschool.com

GRAD RATE: 100%  
22-2023

1 Barber – 5

\$11,275

+ DOLWD (Other)  
+ Other (Self Pay)

**METROASIS**

metroasis.com

GRAD RATE: 100%  
2022

1 12 Hr Sanitation – 40  
2 Esthetics – 30  
3 Hairdressing – 5\*  
\*22/2023

\$250 12 Hr Sanitation  
\$7,145 Esthetics  
\$9,985 Hairdressing

+ ACPE (Loans, APS, AEG)  
+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations

**TREND SETTERS SCHOOL OF BEAUTY**

trendsettersak.com

GRAD RATE: 90%  
22-2023

1 Hairdressing – 35

\$9,500

+ ACPE (Loans)  
+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations  
+ Federal (MyCAA)  
+ Other (Self Pay)

BETHELE

**YUUT ELITNAURVIAT: PEOPLE'S LEARNING CENTER**

yuut.org

GRAD RATE: 100%  
22-2023

1 Certified Nurse Aid – 21  
2 Welding – 19  
3 Basic VPO/TPO – 11

\$2,750 Certified Nurse Aid  
\$6,500 Welding  
\$7,500 Basic VPO/TPO

+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations  
+ Other (Self Pay)

JUNEAU

**GENERATIONS SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER (GSCLC)**

generationssoutheast.org

GRAD RATE: 100%  
22-2023

1 First Aid/CPR/AED Certification – 21  
2 Child Development Assistant (CDA) – 14  
3 Administrative Assistant (AA), Level 1 – 12

\$150 First Aid  
\$2,000 CDA  
\$4,000 AA Level 1

+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations  
+ Employers

PALMER

**NORTHERN INDUSTRIAL TRAINING**

nitalaska.com

GRAD RATE: 93% PTD 160  
22-2023 89% PTD 240  
85% Structural Welding

1 Pro Truck Driver (PTD) (160 Hour) – 169  
2 Pro Truck Driver (PTD) (240 Hour) – 51  
3 Structural Welding, Level 1 – 38

\$9,200 PTD 160 Hour  
\$11,500 PTD 240 Hour  
\$11,500 Structural Welding

+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations  
+ DOLWD (DVR)  
+ Federal (VA Funding)  
+ Other (Self Pay)

**SHEAR FIRE ACADEMY OF HAIR DESIGN**

shearfiredesign.net

GRAD RATE: 100%  
22-2023

1 Hairdressing – 10  
2 Esthetics – 7

\$9,150 Hairdressing  
\$7,225 Esthetics

+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations  
+ Other (Self Pay)

Alaska Training Providers Continued...

SOLDOTNA

**ALASKA DRIVING ACADEMY**

[alaskadrivingacademy.com](http://alaskadrivingacademy.com)  
**GRAD RATE: 96%**  
 JUL 2023-NOV 2023

**TOP PROGRAMS:**

- 1 Entry-Level Driver Training, CDL – 48

**TUITION & FEES:**

**\$9,595**

**FINANCIAL AID:**

- + AK Native/American Indian Organizations
- + DOLWD (STEP Grant, Other)
- + Employers
- + Other (Self Pay)

**AMUNDSEN EDUCATIONAL CENTER**

[aecak.org](http://aecak.org)  
**GRAD RATE: 66%** Res. Const.  
 22-2023 **100%** Adv. Res. Const.

- Residential Construction – 3
- 1 Advanced Residential Construction – 1
- 2 Construction – 1

**\$16,900** Residential Construction  
**\$16,900** Advanced Residential Construction

- + AK Native/American Indian Organizations
- + Other (Self Pay)
- + Other (Non-Profit Organizations)

WASILLA

**THE BEAUTY SCHOOL**

[thebeautyschoolalaska.com](http://thebeautyschoolalaska.com)  
**GRAD RATE: 95%** Esthetics  
 22-2023 **70%** Hairdressing  
**100%** Massage Therapy

- 1 Esthetics – 45
- 2 Hairdressing – 11
- 3 Massage Therapy – 4

**\$7,525** Esthetics  
**\$10,400** Hairdressing  
**\$13,500** Massage Therapy

- + ACPE (Loans, APS)
- + AK Native/American Indian Organizations
- + Other (Self Pay)

# Data Notes

**ACPE & The Commission**

Commission members were updated February 5, 2024. Current commission members can be found at [acpe.alaska.gov/About-Us](http://acpe.alaska.gov/About-Us). More can be learned about AlaskaCAN at [65by2025.org](http://65by2025.org)

**Higher Education: Alaska Context**

**College Prep — Exhibit 1:** Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) ([education.alaska.gov/assessments/results/results2022](http://education.alaska.gov/assessments/results/results2022)). **Exhibit 2:** 2023 APS Outcomes Report ([acpe.alaska.gov/Reports](http://acpe.alaska.gov/Reports)). **Standardized Testing — Exhibit 3:** Average ACT Scores by State Graduating Class of 2023 ([act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/2023-Average-ACT-Scores-by-State.pdf](http://act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/2023-Average-ACT-Scores-by-State.pdf)) & Data Visualization Tool ([act.org/content/act/en/research/services-and-resources/data-and-visualization/grad-class-database-2023.html#data-vis](http://act.org/content/act/en/research/services-and-resources/data-and-visualization/grad-class-database-2023.html#data-vis)). **Exhibit 4:** CollegeBoard, 2023 SAT Suite Annual Reports: State and Total Group state report ([reports.collegeboard.org/sat-suite-program-results](http://reports.collegeboard.org/sat-suite-program-results)). **HS Grad Rates —** 2019-20 ACGR from National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) ([nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/d22/tables/dt22\\_219.46.asp](http://nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/d22/tables/dt22_219.46.asp)). **Exhibit 5:** Class of 2022 and 2023 statewide 4-year cohort graduation rates by subgroups, Alaska

DEED ([education.alaska.gov/data-center#stats](http://education.alaska.gov/data-center#stats)).

**College Enrollments of HS Grads — Exhibit 6:** Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) Digest, IPEDS 2022 Digest, recent high school completers and their enrollment in college, by sex and level of institution (1960 through 2020); National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) Student Tracker Service provided by Research Data Industries (RDI). **Exhibit 7-9:** NSC Student Tracker Service provided by Research Data Industries (RDI). **Distance Education — Exhibit 10-11:** WICHE.edu, Student Access Programs: By the Numbers AY 2022-23 ([wiche.edu/resources/student-access-programs-by-the-numbers-ay-2022-23/](http://wiche.edu/resources/student-access-programs-by-the-numbers-ay-2022-23/)). **Exhibit 12:** NC-SARA.org, Incoming Exclusively Distance Education Enrollment & Outgoing Exclusively Distance Education Enrollment, fall 2022 ([nc-sara.org/data-dashboards](http://nc-sara.org/data-dashboards)). **Enrollment Trends — Exhibit 13:** NSC Student Tracker Service provided by Research Data Industries (RDI). **Exhibit 14-16:** IPEDS 12-month Alaska undergraduate, graduate, & total enrollments, AY2013-22 ([nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter](http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter)). **Exhibit 17:** IPEDS, Total fall Alaska enrollments, 2013-22 ([nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter](http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter)). **Completions — Exhibit 18-19:** IPEDS graduation rates, first-time, full-time within 150% of normal time, 2017-2022 ([nces.ed.gov/](http://nces.ed.gov/)

[ipeds/datacenter](http://ipeds/datacenter)). **Credentials — Exhibit 20-23:** IPEDS, Completions, Awards/degrees conferred by program (2020 CIP Classification), 2022AY ([nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter](http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter)). **Education Attainment — Exhibit 24:** US Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS), 2020 and 2022 ACS 1-Year Estimates subject table S1501 ([data.census.gov](http://data.census.gov)). **Economic Impact — Exhibit 25:** Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development (DOLWD) ([labor.alaska.gov/trends/oct22.pdf](http://labor.alaska.gov/trends/oct22.pdf)). **Exhibit 26:** U.S. Department of Education, College Scorecard, data last updated 8/10/2023, downloaded 1/30/2023 ([collegescorecard.ed.gov/data/](http://collegescorecard.ed.gov/data/)).

**Higher Education: National Context**

**HS Grad Enrollments — Exhibit 27-29:** Provided by Resource Data, Inc (RDI): (1) National - IPEDS, Fall 2022, 12-month enrollments (provisional data) and (2) Alaska - NSC Student Tracker Service. **Exhibit 30:** 2023 college acceptance rates, IPEDS data via Univstats, college statistics by states, downloaded 10/2023 ([univstats.com/states/](http://univstats.com/states/)). **Exhibit 31:** (1) Full time equivalent (FTE) enrollments, State of Higher Education Executive Officers Association (SHEEO) – State Higher Education Finance (SHEF) FY22 ([sheeo.org](http://sheeo.org)); (2)

2022 state populations, US Census Bureau (*census.gov/data/tables/time-series/demo/popest/2020s-state-total.html#v2022*). **Data Table 1** — (1) Education Attainment, US Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey (ACS) 1-Year Estimates, Table S1501 (*data.census.gov*). (2) 2022 graduation rates, U.S. Department of Education - NCES, IPEDS Trend Generator, Graduation and Retention Rates (*nces.ed.gov/ipeds/trendgenerator/*). **Education Attainment — Exhibit 32:** Education attainment of population 25 years and over, US Census Bureau, 2022 ACS 1-Year Estimates, Table S1501 (*data.census.gov*). **Postsecondary Graduation Rate — Exhibit 33-34:** 2022 graduation rates, U.S. Department of Education - NCES, IPEDS Trend Generator, Graduation and Retention Rates (*nces.ed.gov/ipeds/trendgenerator/*). **Data Table 2** — (1) SHEEO-SHEF FY22 (*sheeo.org*): Total FTE enrollment, Table 3.1; Appropriations per FTE, Table 3.2; Student's share of cost, Table 4.1 and Table 4.2. (2) Average tuition and required fees, in-state, public 4-year and 2-year, NCES Table 330.20 (*nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/current\_tables.asp*). (3) Average debt of college graduates by state, Class of 2020, The Institute for College Access & Success, Project on Student Debt (*ticas.org/our-work/student-debt/*) & Chamber of Commerce (*chamberofcommerce.org/student-loan-statistics/*). National debt average, Federal student loan portfolio statistic via Bestcolleges.com, January 2024 (*bestcolleges.com/research/average-student-loan-debt/#fn-ref-1*). **Alaska vs National Metrics — Exhibit 35:** SHEEO-SHEF FY22, Student's share of cost (net tuition as a percent of revenues), 2022, Table 4.1 and Table 4.2 (*sheeo.org*). **Exhibit 36:** SHEEO-SHEF FY22, appropriations per FTE student, 2021-22, Table 3.2 (*sheeo.org*). **Exhibit 37:** SHEEO-SHEF FY22, percent change in FTE enrollment, 1-Year, 2021-22, Table 3.1 (*sheeo.org*). **Exhibit 38:** Income inequality, Household Income in States and Metropolitan Areas: 2022 - American Community Survey Briefs, December 2023, Table 1 (*census.gov/library/publications/2023/acs/acsbr-017.html*). NOTE: The Gini coefficient ranges from 0 (perfect equality) to 1 (perfect inequality). **Exhibit 39:** Median household income, Table S1903, Median Household Income in the Past 12 Months (In 2022 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars), US Census Bureau, Table S1903 (*data.census.gov*). **Exhibit 40:** Cost of living (2022 regional price parties, US = 100), Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), US Department of Commerce, current release: Dec 12 2023, (*bea.gov/data/prices-inflation/regional-price-parities-state-and-metro-area*). **Exhibit 41:** Poverty rates, US Census Bureau, 2022 ACS 1-Year Estimates, Table S1701 (*data.census.gov*). **Exhibit 42:** Low income college participation, equity indicator 1i(i), Pell Institute, Indicators of Higher Education Equity in the US 2022 – Historical Trend Report (*pellinstitute.org/downloads/publications-Indicators\_of\_Higher\_Education\_Equity\_in\_the\_US\_2022\_Historical\_Trend\_Report.pdf*). **Exhibit 43:** Average tuition and required fees, in-state, public 4-year and 2-year, NCES Table 330.20 (*nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/current\_tables.asp*). **Exhibit 44:** Average debt of college graduates by state, Class of 2020, The

Institute for College Access & Success, Project on Student Debt (*ticas.org/our-work/student-debt/*) & Chamber of Commerce (*chamberofcommerce.org/student-loan-statistics/*). National debt average, Federal student loan portfolio statistic via Bestcolleges.com, January 2024 (*bestcolleges.com/research/average-student-loan-debt/#fn-ref-1*).

### Financial Aid & Student Outcomes

**Exhibit 45:** Summary of federal and state financial aid disbursed in Alaska. (1) Federal Student Aid (*studentaid.gov/data-center/student/title-iv*); (2) Internal ACPE data for APS, AEG, and ASEL/FEL; (3) University of Alaska In-Review (UAR), FY23, Topic: Financial Aid, Table 1.37: average amount of financial aid paid to UA Scholars in aid year 2022-23 (*alaska.edu/ir/uainreview/*). **ACPE Aid vs. Private For-Profit Lenders — Exhibit 46:** Internal ACPE data. **Exhibit 47:** LendEDU, States Providing the Most Need-Based Scholarships & Grants (*lendedu.com/blog/states-student-financial-aid-rankings/*). NOTE: Data is licensed by LendEDU from the Peterson's Financial Aid dataset. Data from Peterson's is voluntarily submitted by U.S. colleges and universities themselves. This particular dataset reflects gifted financial aid in the form of need-based scholarships and grants from states. **Alaska FAFSA Completion Initiative — Exhibit 48-49:** National College Access Network (NCAN), FAFSA completion rates, 2023-24 cycle (*public.tableau.com/app/profile/bill.debaun.national.college.access.network/viz/NCANsFAFSATracker-2023-24FAFSACycle/HomePage*); Florida College Access Network (FCAN), Dashboard: College Completion by State, high school population and Pell eligibility rates by state, 2021-22 SY/ 2022-23 AC (*floridacollegeaccess.org/research-and-data/dashboard-fafsa-completion-state/*).

**Exhibit 50-55:** 2024 APS Outcomes Report (*acpe.alaska.gov/reports*); Internal ACPE data/surveys.

**Exhibit 56:** Internal ACPE data on AEG program.

**Exhibit 57:** UAR FY23: (1) Table 1.53 (updated 2/21/2024), (2) Table 1.55 (updated 10/20/2023), and (3) Table 2.08 (updated 2/21/2024) (*alaska.edu/ir/uainreview/*).

### Alaska Postsecondary Institution Profiles

**Exhibit 58:** Alaska postsecondary institution profiles for Alaska Bible College, Alaska Career College, Alaska Christian College, APU, AVTEC, Ilisagvik College, UAF, UAS, and UAA were curated from IPEDS (*nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter/*). Provisional data were primarily referenced (final release data used where available):

(1) **Demographic Breakdown**, Fall 2022 Enrollments: Age (undergraduates), Gender (all students), Race/Ethnicity (all students). NOTE: Fall 2022 was a year where age data submission was optional; Fall 2021 age data referenced for Alaska Bible College, Alaska Career College, APU, and AVTEC. (2) **Enrollment total, undergraduate/graduate, full-time/part-time, with some distance education, nonresident**,

Fall 2022 Enrollments. (3) **Tuition and fees**, published tuition and fees, price of attendance of full-time, first-time undergraduate students, 2022-23. (4) **Percent and amount of student aid to undergraduates**, Student Financial Aid and Net Price (2021-22): students awarded federal, state, local, institutional or other sources of grant aid; Pell grant aid awarded; and students awarded federal student loans. Aid amounts attributed to APS, AEG, and Alaska State loans were provided by internal ACPE data. (4) **Graduation rates within 150% of normal time, first-time, full-time, degree/certificate seeking undergraduates (2016 cohort)**, Frequently used/Derived variables, Fall 2022: Men/Women, White/Alaska Native, Pell Grant recipients, Stafford Loan recipients, non-recipients of Title IV Aid. (5) **1st-to-2nd year retention rates**, Frequently used/Derived variables, Fall 2022. (6) **Awards**, Completions, awards/degrees conferred, first major grand total (2021-22). (7) **Top Programs**, Completions, awards/degrees conferred, first major grand total (2021-22). NOTE: The type of award listed under "top programs" coincides with the most numerous award type reported for that institution.

Alaska postsecondary institution profile data for Charter College and Wayland Baptist University Alaska satellite campus' were provided via the 2024 Alaska Higher Education Almanac ACPE survey (sent Dec, 2023). Data fields either not reported in IPEDS or supplied directly by the institution are denoted "•". **Exhibit 59-60:** Other Alaska Collegiate Institutions and Alaska Career and Technical Training Providers profile data was curated via ACPE's Alaska Higher Education 2024 Almanac Alaska Training Provider Survey and Institutional Authorization's Annual Reporting requirements. Data were included to the extent each institution contributed.

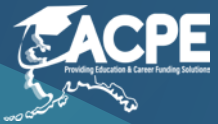
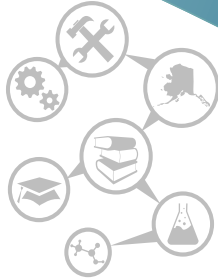
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## Alaska Education Grant (AEG)

Need-based grant for Alaska residents.

[acpe.alaska.gov/aeg](http://acpe.alaska.gov/aeg)



## Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS)

Merit-based scholarship for Alaska high school graduates.

[aps.alaska.gov](http://aps.alaska.gov)

## Alaska Student Aid Portal (ASAP)

Alaska Student Aid Portal Account for students to track the status of the AEG and APS.

[acpe.alaska.gov/asap](http://acpe.alaska.gov/asap)

## ACPE Education Loans

Education funding solutions for students and families to cover the cost of education.

[acpe.alaska.gov](http://acpe.alaska.gov)

## ACPE Education Refinance Loan

Delivering cost-savings through refinancing education loans.

[acpe.alaska.gov/refi](http://acpe.alaska.gov/refi)

## ACPE Success Center

Offering education, career training, and financial aid guidance through Zoom, email, telephone, and in-person appointments.

[acpe.alaska.gov/success-center](http://acpe.alaska.gov/success-center)

## ACAC: Alaska College & Career Advising Consortium

Fostering partnerships and collaboration across education stakeholders committed to improving lives of Alaskans through access to postsecondary education and career training.

[acpe.alaska.gov/acac](http://acpe.alaska.gov/acac)



## AFCI: Alaska FAFSA Completion Initiative

Delivering resources and programming through statewide efforts with the goal of increasing FAFSA completion rates in Alaska.

[acpe.alaska.gov/alaskafafsacompletion](http://acpe.alaska.gov/alaskafafsacompletion)



## AKCIS: Alaska Career Information System

A comprehensive Personal Learning & Career Plans (PLCPs) resources for discovering Alaska-specific and national education and career opportunities.

[acpe.alaska.gov/akcis](http://acpe.alaska.gov/akcis)



## ACPE's Kids2Careers

Resources and curriculum to help students grades 5-12 explore and plan for education and career training after high school.

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