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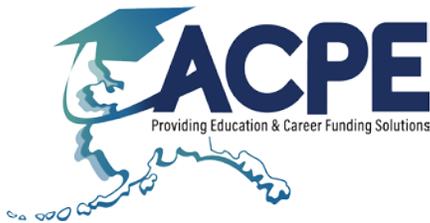
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Institutional profile information in this report (page 26-35) includes IPEDS data for reporting institutions; survey responses for non-Alaska based institutions; and annual Institutional Authorization reporting for Alaska training providers. ACPE can answer questions about the data for the Alaska Student Loan, APS and AEG data, and can provide contact information for questions about campus information used in this publication.

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Governor Mike Dunleavy
STATE OF ALASKA

April 9, 2025

Dear Alaskan,

Delivering relevant and impactful education and career training programs for Alaskans is a key component to strengthening Alaska's workforce and economy for generations to come. To build programming for Alaska's future, it is important to reflect on our State's current education and career training landscape.

The 2025 Alaska Higher Education Almanac, prepared by the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE), reflects current educational initiatives, attainment and completion data, and the wide variety of education and career training programs available across Alaska.

I encourage you to review the 2025 Alaska Higher Education Almanac. Through identifying and strengthening education and workforce partnerships, we can find solutions to the unique challenges faced in our State. Together, we can move Alaska forward and build upon the extensive education and career training opportunities available here.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Dunleavy".

Mike Dunleavy
Governor





ACPE & THE COMMISSION

Letter from the **Commission**

Dear Reader,

In 2024 Alaskans continued to drive the momentum forward in identifying solutions for education attainment and funding gaps related to Alaska’s workforce needs. Solving for these challenges collaboratively remains critical to ensuring Alaska’s students have access to education and career training after high school.

ACPE firmly believes that postsecondary programming can and should be inclusive of all facets of college and career training. Alaska’s workforce needs apprentices, skilled laborers, tradespeople, and college graduates; all have value and an opportunity to move Alaska forward. All Alaskans deserve access to meaningful pathways leading to impactful and sustainable careers.

Our Mission at ACPE is to **provide sustainable solutions for college, career and technical training**, as a responsive and motivated partner to stakeholders across Alaska. As such, we keep this Mission at the forefront of our efforts in serving Alaskans. During 2024, ACPE’s achievements brought about impactful improvements for Alaskans:

- 1 · Alaska Performance Scholarship legislation changes**
(Class of 2024: **45%** of Alaska high school graduates were APS eligible, the highest eligibility since program inception)
- 2 · Implement loan program changes to meet the financial needs of Alaskans** (Resulting in savings up to **\$55,000*** for ACPE borrowers versus private, for-profit lending options)
- 3 · Increase Alaska FAFSA completion efforts**
(FAFSA completion trends are improving across Alaska)

ACPE looks ahead with renewed inspiration and motivation in support of and service to Alaska. There is great work to be done, but through the collaborative and intentional spirit of Alaska’s education stakeholders and policymakers, there will be great achievements and successes ahead.

Best Regards,

THE COMMISSION & KERRY THOMAS
Acting ACPE Executive Director

For details on savings refer to **ACPE Solutions article on [page 4](#)*

NOTE: Members as of April 18, 2025 | View current list at: acpe.alaska.gov/about-us

ACPE COMMISSION MEMBERS (2025)

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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 Vision & Mission

Vision

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

Our primary stakeholders are Alaska residents. At ACPE, we ensure a path forward for Alaskans to develop skills and knowledge to support a stronger future for themselves, their family, and for Alaska. The key to achieving this is through Alaskans having **equitable access to the education and training** they need to pursue a career of their choice supporting families and communities right here in Alaska.

Mission

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

Through **broad access to federal and state programs, grants, scholarships, and loans together with the tools and resources**, ACPE is a champion for Alaskans to make informed decisions about funding their education.

ACPE is the Higher Education Agency for the State of Alaska. ACPE advances policy and fosters collaboration across our state. These efforts will develop a skilled workforce that meets the needs of Alaska’s communities and employers, supporting economic development.

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 services:



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.

ACPE Solutions

ACPE's Lending Solutions: Savings & Safeguards

ACPE education loans provide funding solutions for Alaskans. **Our loans bridge the gap of remaining financial need for students.** ACPE education loans protect students from overborrowing and save them money in the long run.

Private student loans represent **7.5%** of all student debt **\$130 billion nationwide** Third Quarter of 2023¹

Alaskans save with ACPE. A student could save **up to \$55,000 by borrowing with ACPE** instead of a private, for-profit lender. Examples provided below reflect the range of savings for a student depending on the amount borrowed and their FICO score. It is

clear that borrowing from ACPE is a responsible financial decision.

Not only are ACPE education loans resulting in savings for Alaskans, but they also offer safeguards from over-borrowing. To reduce the potential of borrowing more than the student needs, ACPE works with institutions and training providers to ensure students meet enrollment guidelines, remain in good academic standing, and loans do not exceed the cost of attendance. Transparency is also a priority for ACPE and our loans reflect that.

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.

Alaskans Save with ACPE loans:

Savings when borrowing \$40k-\$96k from ACPE compared to borrowing the the average, fixed-rate, private loan²

When \$40,000 is borrowed over four years			When \$96,000 is borrowed over four years		
FICO Tier	Total Savings		FICO Tier	Total Savings	
LOW	\$21,000		LOW	\$50,500	
MID	\$22,900		MID	\$55,000	
HIGH	\$12,700		HIGH	\$34,400	

ACPE's State Grant & Scholarship Solutions

Supporting access to postsecondary funding solutions for Alaska students is a priority for ACPE. As the administrator of Alaska's grant and scholarship programs, ACPE works with students and families, schools, districts, postsecondary institutions, and state agencies to inform, advocate, and enhance access.

Currently, Alaska students may be eligible to receive the Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) and the Alaska Education Grant (AEG), which are the State's grant and scholarship programs.

Both programs require completion of the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and to meet program-specific eligibility requirements. The AEG is the needs-based grant program as determined by the student's Student Aid Index (SAI) from the FAFSA. In accordance with other awarding stipulations, AEG-eligible students may receive **\$500-\$4,000** per academic year through the AEG. (For more information on AEG, [see page 24](#)).

7.90% average national private fixed rate loan³

Lender Rates, 2024	Lowest Fixed Rate APR	Highest Fixed Rate APR
ACPE⁴	5.65%	9.09%
ASCENT ³	3.39%	14.85%
COLLEGE AVE ³	3.47%	17.99%

1-4 · See "Data Notes" on page 36 for citation references

ACPE Serves Over 272,000

Alaskans in outreach about postsecondary education resources & options (per year)

APS, Alaska’s merit-based scholarship, underwent substantial changes effective for the Class of 2024 and beyond. Ultimately, the goal of APS and the recent legislative changes is to increase access to and utilization of the Alaska Performance Scholarship after years of decline.

Although long term outcomes of these legislative changes are not yet available, in the short term the results are already promising. Since the passage of APS legislation HB148 in June 2024, the APS program has seen the largest number of APS eligible graduates, highest percent eligibility of a graduating class, the most Award Level 1 eligible students, and the greatest amount awarded to date.

ACPE is encouraged by these promising results and how these legislative changes to APS have long-lasting, positive impacts on postsecondary education and workforce in Alaska. *(For more information on APS, see page 24).*

\$18,395

in potential financial aid for ONE HOUR of work completing the FAFSA – a great return on investment!

- \$7,000 APS
- \$4,000 AEG
- \$7,395 PELL GRANT

- \$18,395 PER YEAR LOST by not completing the FAFSA

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



ACPE's FAFSA Solutions: Myth Busting

FAFSA completion is an essential step for college and career training. ACPE offers various types of FAFSA completion support for all Alaskans. Historically, Alaska ranks last or next to last in national FAFSA completion rates.

With the goal of increasing FAFSA completion rates in Alaska, ACPE leads the Alaska FAFSA Completion Initiative (AFCI).

Through this Initiative, ACPE delivers Master the FAFSA Trainings, FAFSA completion events, one-on-one and small group completion activities, and more. ACPE also offers self-guided tutorials for FAFSA completion available on the AFCI website for all to access, including step-by-step instructions for *StudentAid.Gov Account creation, Troubleshooting Account access, and FAFSA Line By Line completion.*

Providing guidance on how to complete the FAFSA is only one component of increasing FAFSA completion rates in Alaska. Another component is myth busting! A great deal of misinformation and/or outdated information still circulates about FAFSA.

ACPE wants to ensure accurate information is available to all Alaskans about the FAFSA.

MYTH: FAFSA is only for loans

TRUTH: FAFSA unlocks many forms of financial aid for college or career training in addition to loans such as grants, scholarships, and work-study.

MYTH: Families can make too much money

TRUTH: There is no income limit for the FAFSA. Institutional and other financial aid that is not need-based (like scholarships) may still require the FAFSA.

MYTH: Last year's taxes haven't been filed yet

TRUTH: FAFSA uses the Prior-Prior Year's tax information meaning for the 25-26 FAFSA, 2023 taxes are used NOT 2024 taxes.

MYTH: FAFSA takes too long to fill out

TRUTH: With the updated FAFSA, new applications can be completed in as little as 30 minutes with FAFSA renewals taking under 10 minutes.

FAFSA RESOURCES:



1. Funding Your Future Presentation
2. ACPE Success Center
3. FAFSA Wednesdays
4. FAFSA Video Tutorial
5. Downloadable FAFSA Materials

acpe.alaska.gov/alaskafafsacompletion

Higher Education: ALASKA CONTEXT

College Preparation

Over the last three years, Alaska's high school proficiency in English language arts (ELA) has remained relatively steady (28% to 31%). Mathematics proficiency rose to 27% for Class of 2026, but dropped to 18% for Class of 2027. Those testing proficient in science dropped from 37% to 30% from Class of 2024-2026 | **Exhibit 1.** Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) eligibility and award use for Class of 2024 is summarized in **Exhibit 2.**

EXHIBIT 1

Alaska System of Academic Readiness (AK STAR): 31% of high school Class of 2027 (9th graders tested 2023-24) were advanced or proficient in English language arts (ELA). 18% were advanced or proficient in mathematics.

Alaska Science Assessment: 30% of high school Class of 2026 (10th graders tested 2023-24) were proficient in science.

Alaska DEED

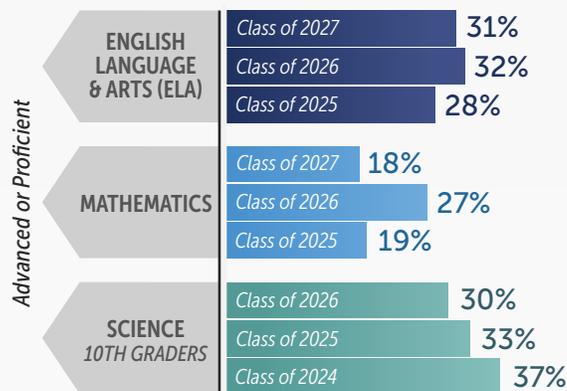
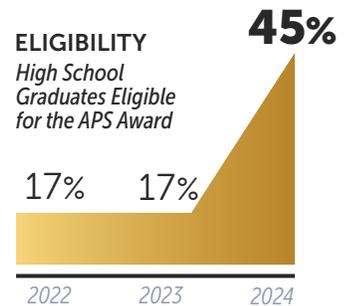


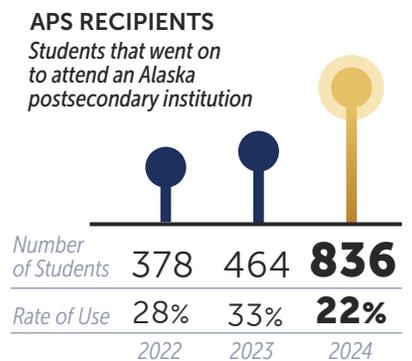
EXHIBIT 2

Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS), Class of 2022-2024 eligibility and use.
2025 APS Outcomes Report

A With the implementation of APS program changes, Class of 2024 eligibility rates rose to 45% (the highest eligibility rate since the program's inception).



B Due to the marked increase in eligible students, the rate of award use for Class of 2024 dropped to 22%. However, the number of APS eligible high school graduates using the award nearly doubled from 2023.



96% of APS recipients used the award for collegiate studies: 4% of APS use went to career and technical education programs in 2024.

Discover more about APS student outcomes on [Page 24](#)

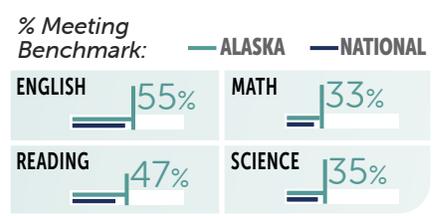
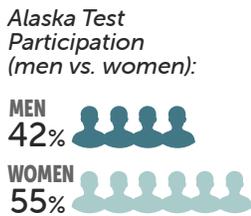
Standardized Testing

For graduating high school Class of 2024, Alaska's participation in national standardized **ACT testing** decreased from **15% to 13%** in 2024 | **Exhibit 3**. Alaska's **SAT testing** increased from **30% to 32%** in 2024 | **Exhibit 4**. Alaska's **percent meeting benchmark** by subject for ACT and SAT remains slightly above national averages. *ACT.org | CollegeBoard*

**Benchmark scores represent a 75% chance of a student achieving at least a C grade in a first-semester, credit-bearing college course*

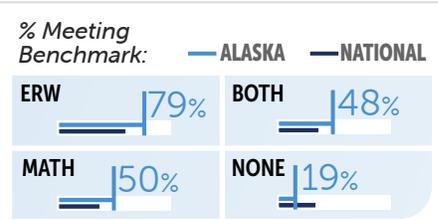
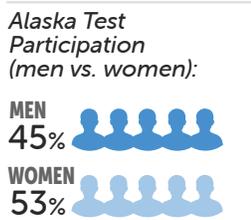
ACT EXHIBIT 3

ACT Testing, Alaska vs. National **High School Class of 2024:** Compared to states with similar ACT participation rates, Alaska ranked the lowest (**composite score of 19.9**). Composite scores of states that share similar participation rates to Alaska (ranging from 10-14%) were Idaho (**23.3**), New Mexico (**20.0**), Oregon (**21.1**), and Illinois (**24.5**). *ACT.org*



SAT EXHIBIT 4

ACT Testing, Alaska vs. National **High School Class of 2024:** Compared to states with similar SAT participation rates, Alaska ranked the lowest (**total score of 1,079**). Total scores of states that share similar participation rates to Alaska (ranging from 24-30%) were California (**1,083**), Hawaii (**1,124**), Washington (**1,081**), and Maine (**1,074**). *CollegeBoard*



NOTE: 3% unknown for ACT & 2% unknown for SAT (men vs. women participation)

High School Graduation Rates

The 2021-22 **National Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate (ACGR)** for public high school students nationwide was **87%**. Comparatively, **Alaska's ACGR was 78%**, ranking 47th* in the US (ahead of Arizona and behind Idaho).

National Center for Education Statistics (NCES)

**Data suppressed/not available for New Mexico and Arizona*

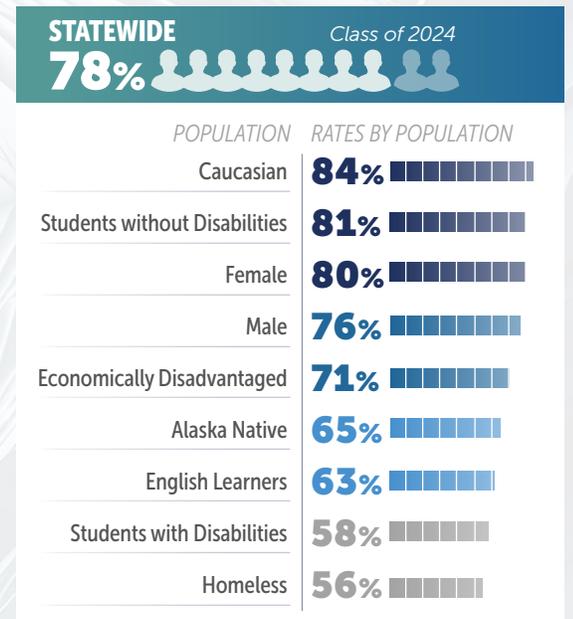


Alaska's statewide public high school graduation rate for Class of 2023 and 2024 was **78%** | **Exhibit 5**.

Alaska Department of Education & Early Development (DEED)

EXHIBIT 5

Alaska Class of 2024 high school graduation rates by population (public 4-year graduation rates): **78%** of Alaska high school students graduate. Male and female students graduate at **similar rates**. **Four in five** Caucasian students graduate, and **three in five** Alaska Native students graduate. *Alaska DEED*



College Enrollments of High School Graduates

Alaska immediate postsecondary enrollments* are reported in **Exhibit 6**. Alaska high school graduates enrolled in college one-year following graduation increased in 2024 from **33% to 35%** | **Exhibit 7**.

In addition, there continues to be a higher proportion of Alaska students enrolling in-state (**53%**) vs. out-of-state (**46%**) | **Exhibit 8**. Postsecondary enrollment and progress for Class of 2018 is shown in **Exhibit 9**.

*NOTE: Immediate college enrollment rate is defined as the annual percentage of high school completers enrolled in 2- or 4-year institutions the October immediately following high school completion

EXHIBIT 6 Alaska vs. national immediate postsecondary enrollment rate, 2020-2024. Alaska's preliminary** rate in 2024 was 33%.

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

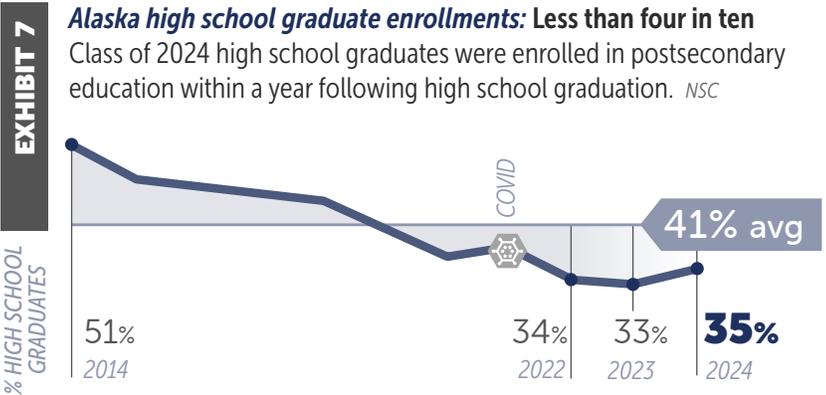
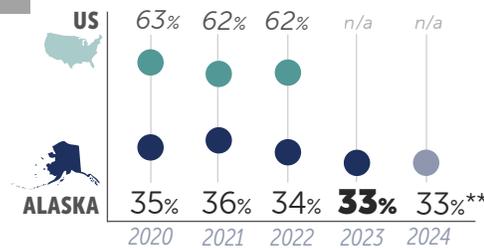


EXHIBIT 8 Alaska high school graduates enrolling in-state vs. out-of-state:

The proportion of in-state enrollments increased for Class of 2024 to **53%** (out-of-state enrollments dropping to **46%**). These rates continue the reversing trend where out-of-state enrollments surpassed in-state enrollments following the COVID pandemic from 2020-22. NSC

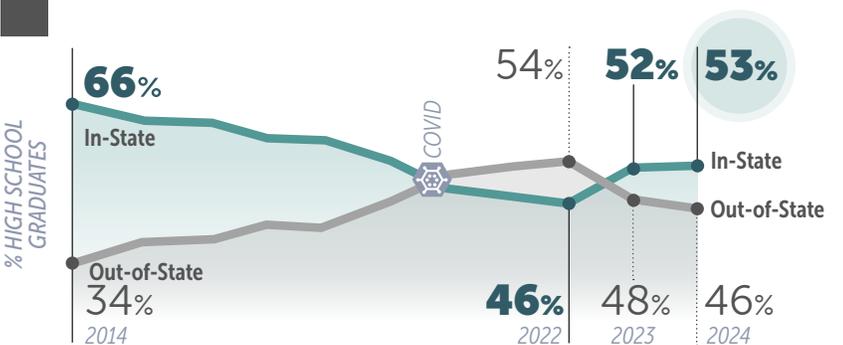
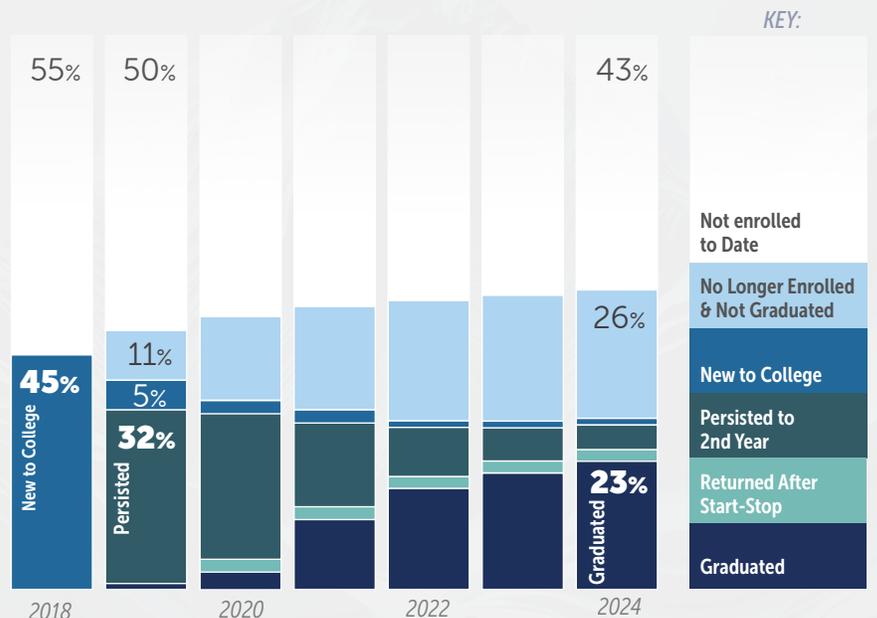


EXHIBIT 9

Class of 2018 postsecondary enrollment and progress (2018-2024). NSC



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

The **Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)** is a tuition reciprocity program that allows students from 16 participating Western states to attend out-of-state public universities at a reduced tuition rate, making it financially feasible for students to pursue a greater variety of higher education programs.

EXHIBIT 10

WUE HIGHLIGHTS

AY2023-24

1,398

NUMBER OF STUDENTS
Enrolled Out-of-State Through WUE

\$17M

TUITION SAVED by
Students through WUE (Millions)

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

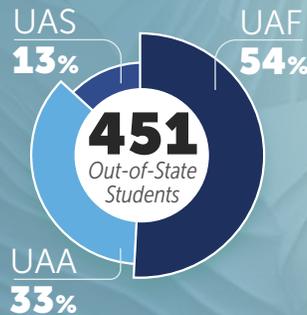


EXHIBIT 11

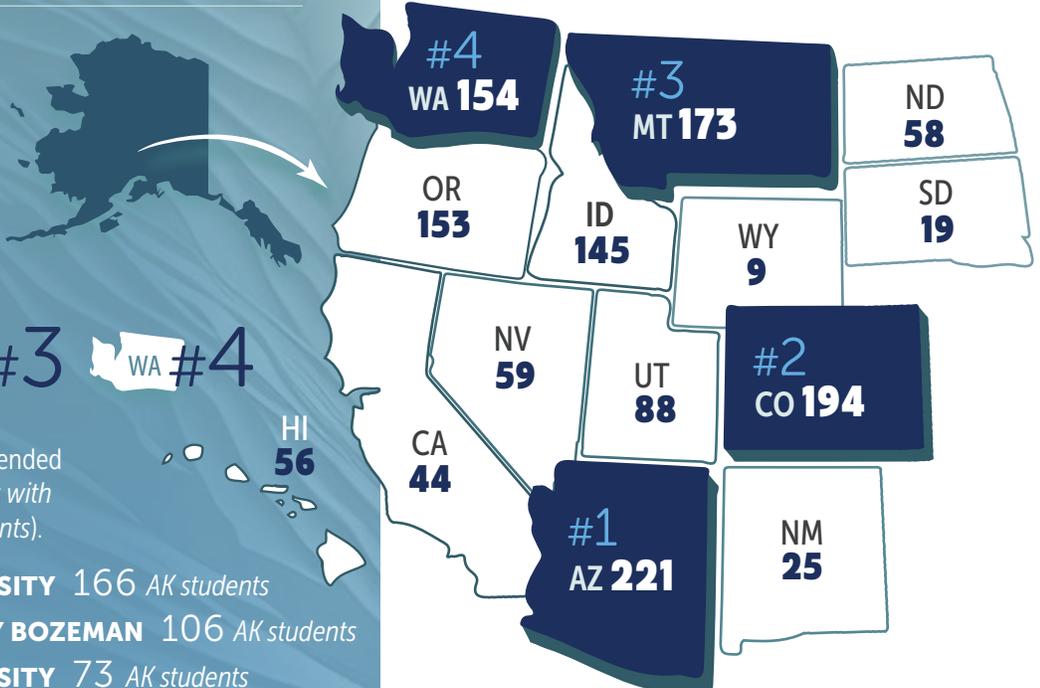
A **Distribution of Alaska WUE students to other WUE states:**
number of Alaska students in 2023.

Top four states attended in 2023 by Alaska students in the WUE program:
Arizona (1), Colorado (2), Montana (3), and Washington (4).



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

- NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY** 166 AK students
- MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY BOZEMAN** 106 AK students
- WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY** 73 AK students



The **National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA)** is a private nonprofit that helps expand students' access to distance education programs across state lines.

EXHIBIT 12

NC-SARA HIGHLIGHTS

Fall 2023 Highlights

7,479 Alaska Residents Enrolled Out-of-State Through NC-SARA

Top states enrolling Alaska students in distance education	Number of Students	State
	1,163	ARIZONA
	1,022	UTAH
	806	WEST VIRGINIA
	545	NEW HAMPSHIRE
	477	VIRGINIA

1,157 Enrollments from NC-SARA States to Alaska

Top states enrolling out-of-state students in Alaska distance education	Number of Students	State
	419	WASHINGTON
	70	TEXAS
	54	MONTANA
	50	OREGON
	40	NEW MEXICO

Alaska Postsecondary Enrollment Trends

Alaska enrollments increased for the first time in 10 years (AY23, IPEDS)

Change in 2-year and 4-year first-time freshmen enrollments at Alaska institutions are shown in **Exhibit 13**. Undergraduate enrollments (12-month) **rose for the first time in a decade** in academic year (AY) 2023 | **Exhibit 14**.

12-month graduate program enrollments declined in AY2023 | **Exhibit 15**. However, there has been a slowing rate of decline, with a combined loss of **235** enrollments over the past three years. In contrast, there were **170-340** fewer enrollments *per year* from 2014 to 2020 | **Exhibit 15**.

Total AY2023 12-month enrollments at Alaska postsecondary institutions are shown in **Exhibit 16**. A comparison of fall 2021-2023 enrollments by Alaska institution are given in **Exhibit 17**.

EXHIBIT 14

+586

Increase in number of undergraduates from 2022 (last increase seen in 2014)

Total Alaska undergraduate enrollments per year (number of students in thousands), and trend line showing percent change from the average (AY2014-2023). Alaska undergraduate enrollments increased by nearly 600 students in 2023 (**32,160**), the first increase since 2014. *IPEDS*

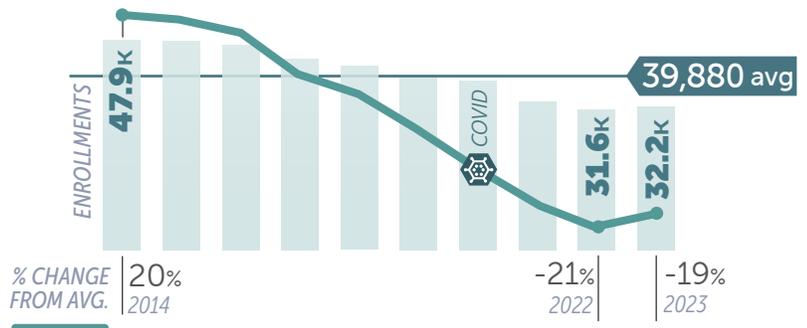


EXHIBIT 15

-1,560

fewer graduate students than 10 years ago

Total Alaska graduate program enrollments per year (number of students in thousands), and trend line showing percent change from the average (AY2014-2023). Alaska graduate enrollments decreased by less than 100 students in 2023 (**2,470**). *IPEDS*

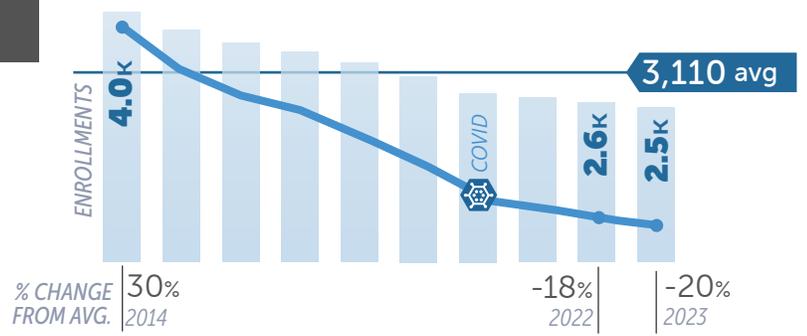


EXHIBIT 13

Percent change of first-time freshmen postsecondary enrollments (2021-24), 2-year vs. 4-year institutions. *NSC*



EXHIBIT 16

Alaska postsecondary enrollment totals, AY2013-2023 (12-month, undergraduate & graduate enrollments).

IPEDS

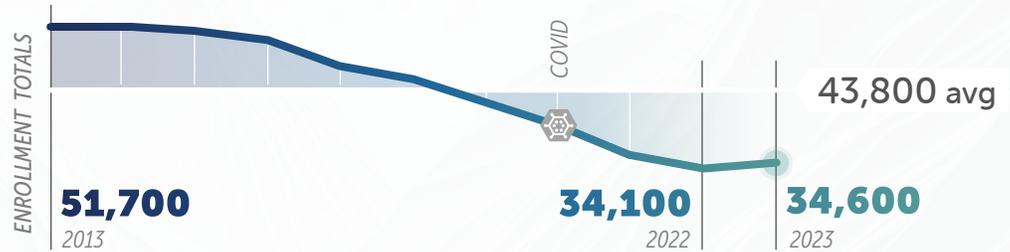


EXHIBIT 17

Fall Enrollments by Institution IPEDS

ENROLLMENT TOTALS:

Fall 2023 Fall 2022 Fall 2021

ENROLLMENT TREND, 2014-23:

Percent (%) Change from Average

Institution	Fall 2023	Fall 2022	Fall 2021	2014	2023	Avg
University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA)	10,796	10,464	10,845	17,151	10,796	14,076
University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF)	6,640	6,607	6,826	8,620	6,640	7,622
University of Alaska Southeast (UAS)	1,918	1,923	1,997	2,989	1,918	2,365
Alaska Pacific University (APU)	578	590	554	579	578	551
Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC)	452	202	259	889	452	724
Iliisagvik College	311	179	268	243	311	232
Alaska Career College	255	268	317	479	225	370
Alaska Bible College	65	39	44	46	65	43
Alaska Christian College	64	76	78	66	64	75

Alaska Completions

Exhibit 18 provides the number of completers and graduation rates for *first-time, full-time freshmen (within 150% of normal time)*, by Alaska institution from 2021 to 2023.

Exhibit 19 displays graduation rates by type of education program. Completion rates for most degrees/programs decreased from 2022 (with the exception of other degree/certificate seeking, 4-yr institutions). *Bachelor's graduation rates have remained between 31-38%* since 2017.

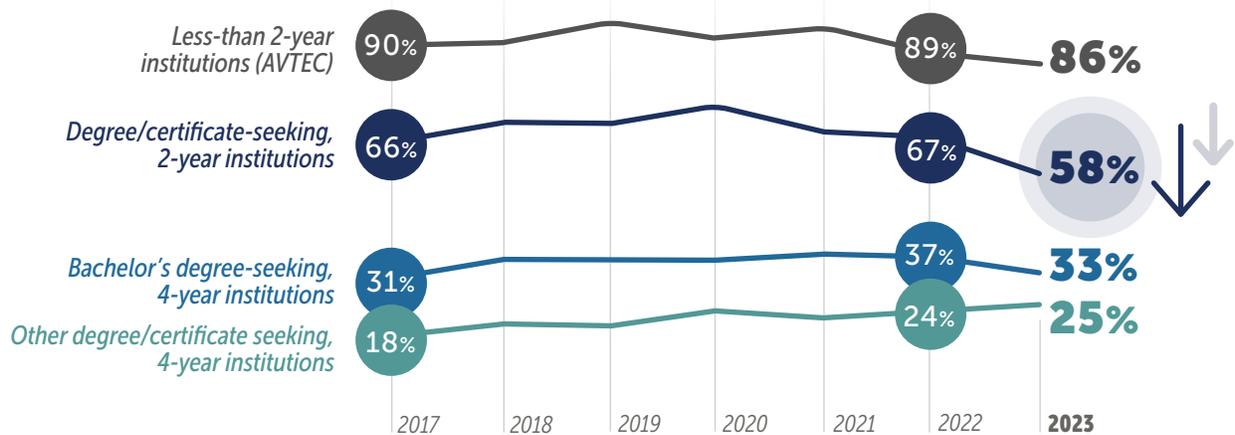
EXHIBIT 18

First-time, full-time completers and graduation rates at Alaska postsecondary institutions within 150% of normal time, 2021-23. *IPEDS*

	NUMBER OF COMPLETERS				150% GRADUATION RATE			
	2021	2022	2023	change (22-23)	2021	2022	2023	change (22-23)
University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA)	408	396	389	↘	30%	30%	30%	—
University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF)	268	258	204	↘	38%	39%	38%	↘
Alaska Career College	230	238	193	↘	74%	70%	74%	↗
Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC)	128	72	85	↗	95%	86%	86%	—
University of Alaska Southeast (UAS)	44	29	48	↗	30%	25%	30%	↗
Alaska Pacific University (APU)	8	13	15	↗	22%	36%	22%	↘
Alaska Christian College	3	9	5	↘	11%	27%	11%	↘
Iñis̄aġvik College	5	6	5	↘	45%	75%	45%	↘
Alaska Bible College	2	2	2	—	50%	50%	50%	—

EXHIBIT 19

Graduation rates by degree/program type, 2017-2023 (completers within 150% of normal time). *IPEDS*



Alaska Credentials

A total of **3,791** education credentials were awarded in 2023 at Alaska postsecondary institutions. The most numerous were **Bachelor's degrees (38%)** followed by **Certificates (27%)**. From 2017 to 2023, the number of credentials earned in Alaska has declined, particularly for Bachelor's (**551 fewer**) and Associate's (**575 fewer**) degrees | **Exhibit 20**. Women received **63%** of all credentials in 2023 | **Exhibit 21**.

Alaska Native/American Indian students held **10%** of all credentials, with **nearly half certificates** | **Exhibit 22**. Additionally, **Alaska Native women hold 2.6 times** the amount of awards as Alaska Native men | **Exhibit 22**. The top five Bachelor's disciplines awarded in Alaska are shown in **Exhibit 23**.

2023 AWARD BREAKDOWN

Bachelor's	Certificates	Associate's	Master's	Doctorate
1,455	1,018	778	500	40

EXHIBIT 20

Award Totals & Trends: (A) Number of credentials awarded per year at Alaska postsecondary institutions from 2017-2023 (bars). (B) Proportion of each credential type awarded for 2023AY (line). IPEDS

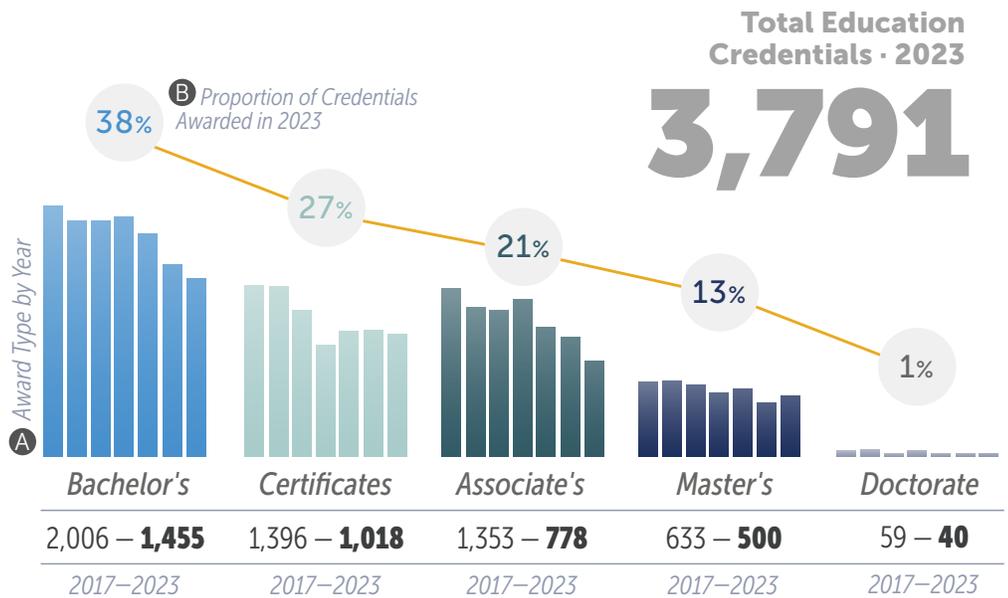


EXHIBIT 21

Male and female breakdown of Alaska education credentials (2023AY). IPEDS

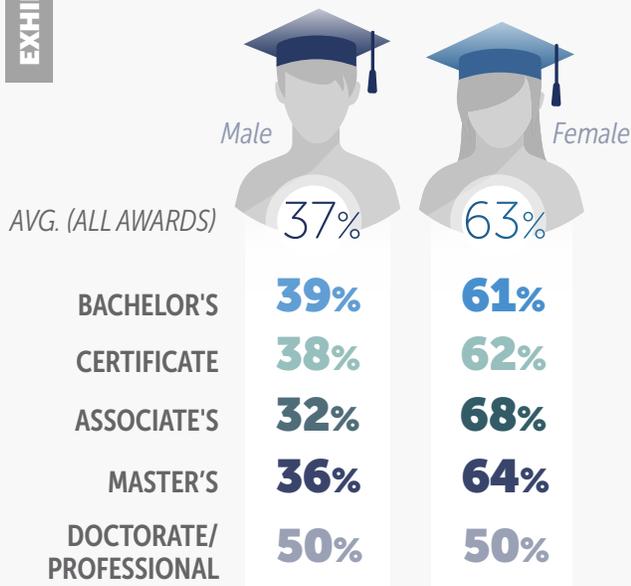


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Alaska Native/American Indian students: Award type by male and female students (2023AY). The total number of awards was **381**, with **72%** awarded to women. IPEDS

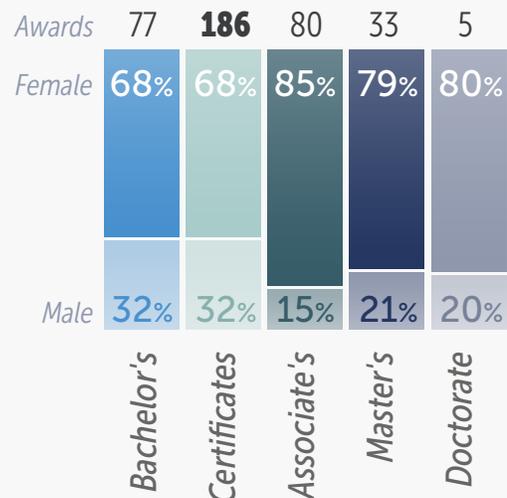


EXHIBIT 23

TOP FIVE DISCIPLINES

Top five disciplines among Bachelor's degrees awarded (2023AY). IPEDS

#1 
 BUSINESS MANAGEMENT, MARKETING, & RELATED SUPPORT SERVICES
 266 awards

#2 
 HEALTH PROFESSIONS & RELATED PROGRAMS
 248 awards

#3 
 MULTI/INTER-DISCIPLINARY STUDIES
 113 awards

#4 
 ENGINEERING
 106 awards

#5 
 PSYCHOLOGY
 90 awards



Economic Impact

EXHIBIT 24

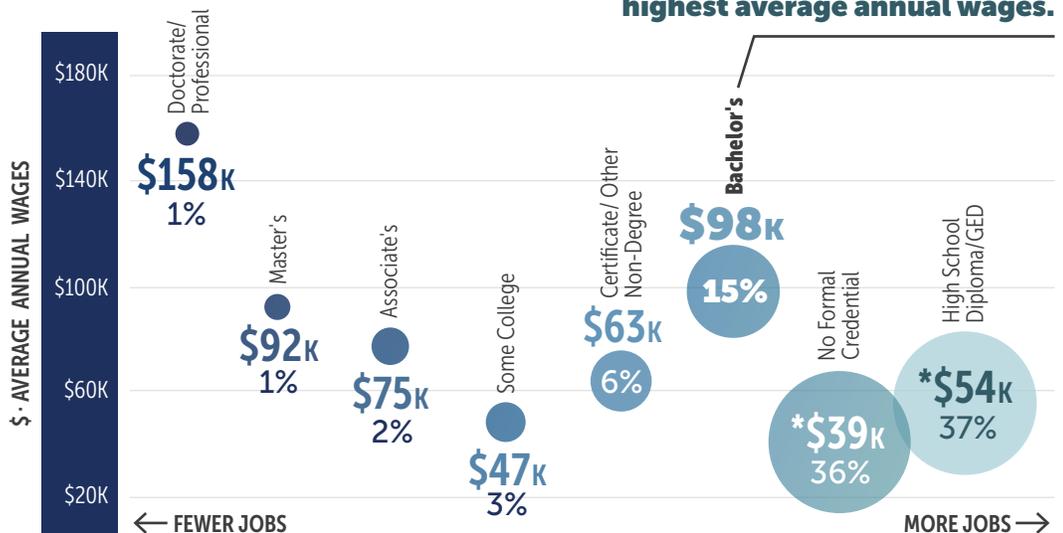
Median Earnings: Students ten years after first enrollment who received federal financial aid, by institution (updated as of October 2024). CollegeScorecard

#1	Alaska Pacific University (APU)	\$54,300 \$\$\$\$\$	#5	University of Alaska Southeast (UAS)	\$48,500 \$\$\$\$
#2	University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA)	\$51,900 \$\$\$\$\$	#6	Ilisagvik College	\$39,500 \$\$\$\$
#3	Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC)	\$51,100 \$\$\$\$\$	#7	Alaska Career College	\$34,500 \$\$\$
#4	University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF)	\$48,900 \$\$\$\$	#8	Alaska Christian College	\$25,800 \$\$

EXHIBIT 25

Job Openings and Wages in the Alaska workforce: Projected percent of job openings (2022-2032) and average annual wages by level of education. Alaska DOLWD

15% of the Alaska workforce is projected to require a bachelor's degree, which accounts for jobs with the **2nd highest average annual wages.**



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

Education Attainment

EXHIBIT 26

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), 2023

ONE QUARTER of Alaska residents age 25+ have attended some college but did not complete a program.

ONE FIFTH of Alaska residents age 25+ have a Bachelor's degree.

EQUAL PROPORTIONS of men and women in Alaska (1) have attended some college but did not complete a program, and (2) have an Associate's degree.

WOMEN in Alaska hold more Bachelor's and graduate degrees than men.

TWO TO FIVE TIMES FEWER Alaska Native students hold Bachelor's and graduate degrees than white students.

A ALL ALASKANS (25+ YR) ACS 2023

Some College, No Degree

23%



Associate's Degree

9%



Bachelor's Degree

20%



Graduate Degree

12%



B GENDER: MEN VS. WOMEN ACS 2023

Some College, No Degree



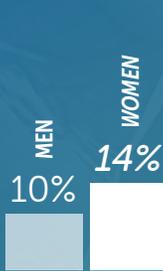
Associate's Degree



Bachelor's Degree



Graduate Degree



C ETHNICITY: WHITE VS. AK NATIVE ACS 2023

Some College, No Degree

23% 23%



Associate's Degree

10% 5%



Bachelor's Degree

23% 5%



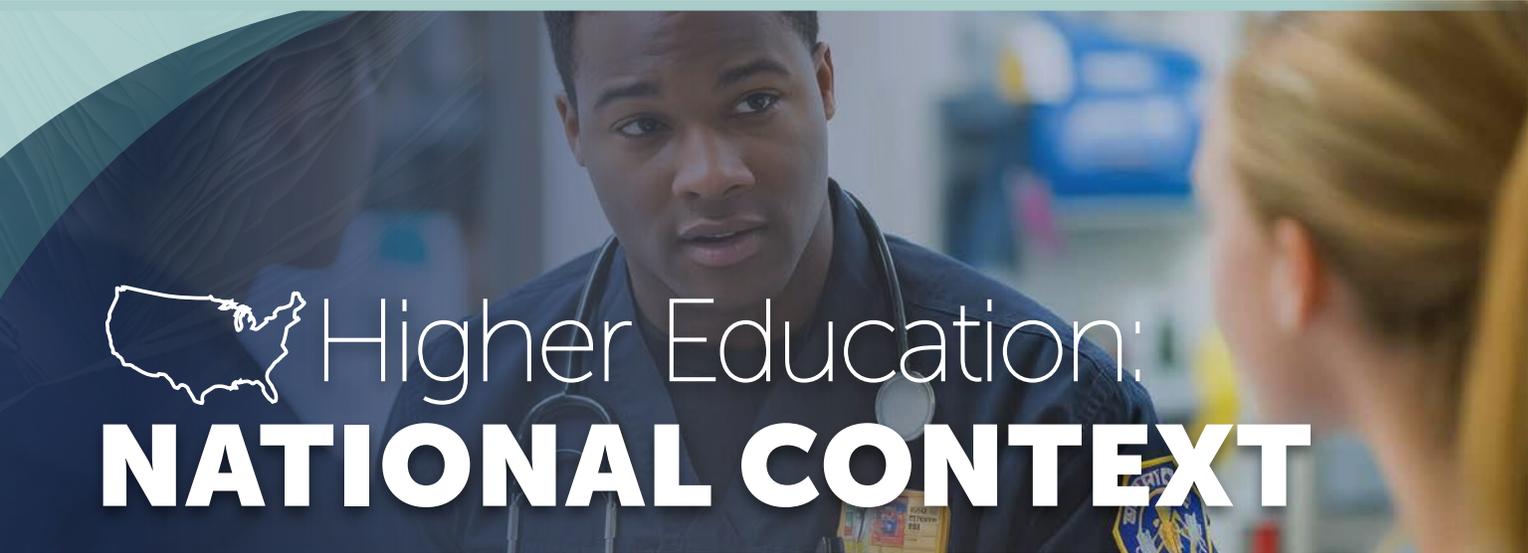
Graduate Degree

16% 3%



2 times less AK Natives have Associate's degrees than white students

5 times less AK Natives have Bachelor's and graduate degrees than white students



Higher Education: NATIONAL CONTEXT

High School Graduate Enrollments

Alaska vs. National Position Metric Highlights | Exhibits 27-31

EXHIBIT 27

Male vs. Female Enrollments (Class of 2023): High school graduate postsecondary enrollments are the same as national measures. *IPEDS, NSC*

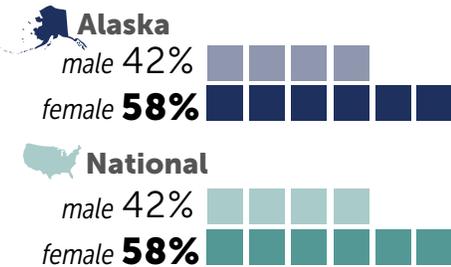


EXHIBIT 29

Ethnicity/Race Comparison (Class of 2024): High school graduate postsecondary enrollments. *IPEDS, NSC*

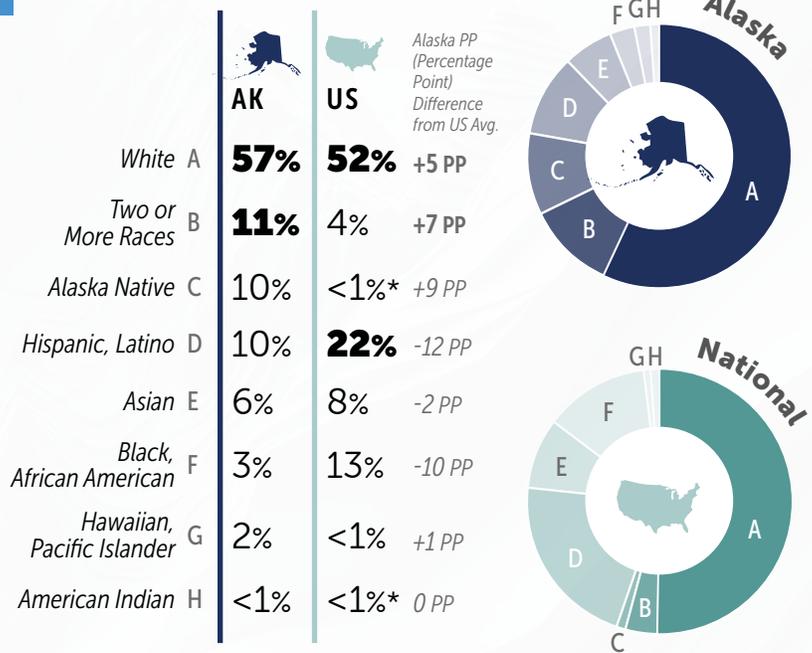
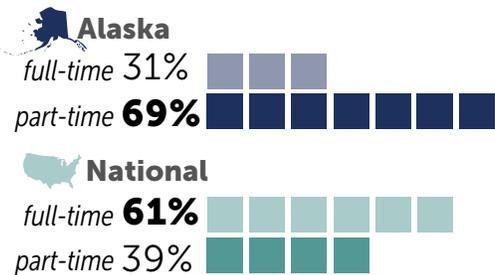


EXHIBIT 28

Full-time vs. Part-time Enrollments (Class of 2024): High school graduate postsecondary enrollments. *IPEDS, NSC*



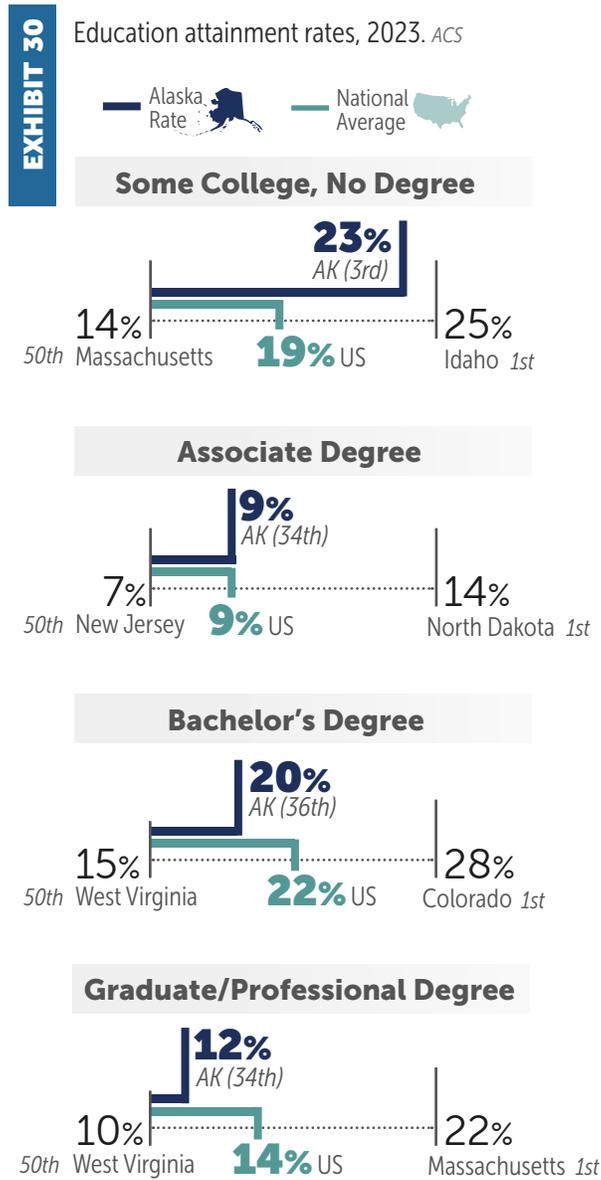
*National statistics combine Alaska Native & American Indian Categories

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

ALASKA NATIVE & HISPANIC students in Alaska make **up one fifth** of high school graduate postsecondary enrollments.

Education Attainment

Education attainment rates for Alaska residents vs. national averages | **Exhibit 32**. The highest (1st) and lowest (50th) ranked state is also indicated.



National Context Table 1

	2023 ACS, 1-Year Education Attainment				2023 Graduation Rates	
	Some College	Associate's	Bachelor's	Graduate	COHORT 2017: 6-Year Rate, 4-Year Institutions	COHORT 2020: 3-Year Rate, 2-Year Institutions
NATIONAL	19%	9%	22%	14%	61%	39%
ALABAMA	21%	9%	18%	11%	61%	33%
ALASKA	23%	9%	20%	12%	42%	58%
ARIZONA	23%	9%	20%	13%	51%	41%
ARKANSAS	20%	9%	17%	10%	54%	39%
CALIFORNIA	19%	8%	23%	15%	66%	42%
COLORADO	19%	8%	28%	18%	55%	51%
CONNECTICUT	16%	8%	23%	20%	70%	31%
DELAWARE	18%	8%	21%	16%	58%	41%
FLORIDA	18%	10%	22%	13%	56%	60%
GEORGIA	19%	8%	21%	14%	50%	38%
HAWAII	19%	11%	23%	14%	53%	31%
IDAHO	25%	10%	22%	11%	54%	35%
ILLINOIS	19%	8%	23%	16%	66%	39%
INDIANA	19%	9%	19%	11%	64%	41%
IOWA	20%	12%	21%	11%	69%	41%
KANSAS	22%	9%	22%	13%	59%	40%
KENTUCKY	20%	9%	16%	12%	56%	47%
LOUISIANA	20%	8%	17%	10%	55%	33%
MAINE	18%	11%	23%	14%	61%	29%
MARYLAND	17%	7%	22%	21%	70%	31%
MASSACHUSETTS	14%	7%	25%	22%	74%	23%
MICHIGAN	22%	10%	20%	13%	64%	27%
MINNESOTA	19%	12%	26%	14%	69%	35%
MISSISSIPPI	22%	11%	16%	10%	56%	43%
MISSOURI	21%	9%	20%	13%	56%	41%
MONTANA	21%	10%	23%	12%	50%	34%
NEBRASKA	21%	11%	23%	12%	60%	41%
NEVADA	23%	9%	19%	10%	45%	60%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	17%	10%	25%	16%	63%	35%
NEW JERSEY	15%	7%	26%	18%	69%	37%
NEW MEXICO	22%	9%	18%	14%	48%	29%
NEW YORK	14%	9%	23%	18%	66%	31%
NORTH CAROLINA	19%	10%	23%	14%	64%	38%
NORTH DAKOTA	23%	14%	23%	10%	58%	49%
OHIO	19%	9%	19%	13%	59%	39%
OKLAHOMA	22%	8%	19%	10%	51%	42%
OREGON	23%	9%	24%	14%	60%	32%
PENNSYLVANIA	15%	9%	21%	14%	66%	39%
RHODE ISLAND	17%	8%	23%	16%	72%	25%
SOUTH CAROLINA	20%	10%	20%	13%	60%	32%
SOUTH DAKOTA	20%	12%	23%	10%	56%	60%
TENNESSEE	19%	8%	19%	12%	57%	38%
TEXAS	20%	8%	22%	13%	52%	41%
UTAH	23%	10%	25%	14%	57%	33%
VERMONT	16%	9%	25%	19%	70%	26%
VIRGINIA	17%	8%	24%	19%	69%	38%
WASHINGTON	21%	10%	24%	16%	57%	53%
WEST VIRGINIA	17%	9%	15%	10%	51%	44%
WISCONSIN	19%	11%	22%	12%	66%	45%
WYOMING	24%	12%	19%	11%	49%	58%

US Census Bureau (ACS), NCES

Postsecondary Graduation Rates

Alaska's overall 4-year postsecondary graduation rate ranked last in the US at **42%*** | Exhibit 31. However, this 42% rate is the highest of an Alaska cohort in two decades | Exhibit 33. Alaska's 2-year postsecondary graduation rate ranked fourth at **58%** | Exhibit 32.

*NOTE: Full-time, first-time, all degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students completing program within 150% of normal time

EXHIBIT 31

Postsecondary graduation rates within 150% of normal time at 4-year postsecondary institutions (6-year IPEDS graduation rates), cohort 2017. Alaska's 6-year graduation rate (**42%**) **increased from cohort 2016** (33%). NCES

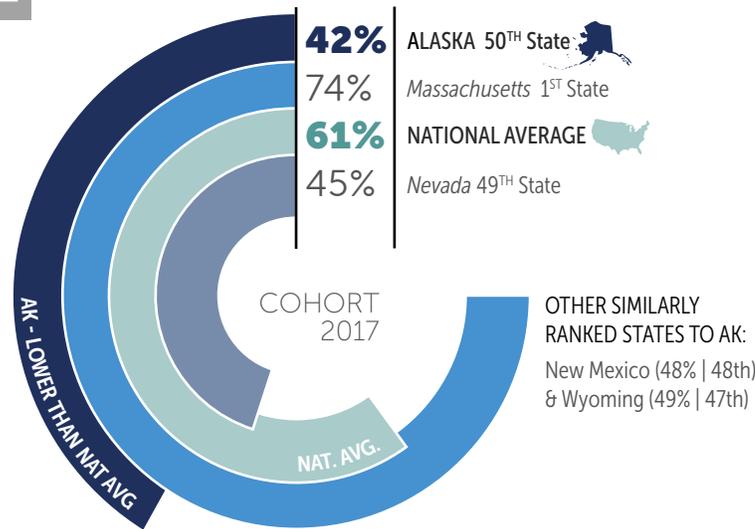
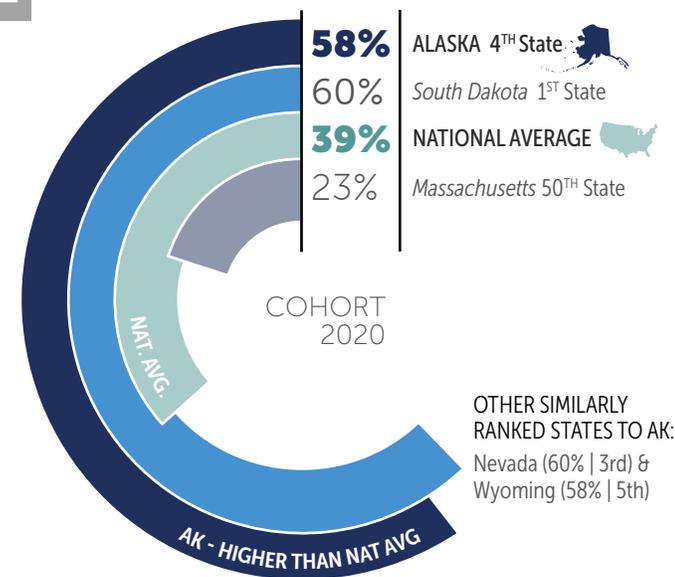


EXHIBIT 32

Postsecondary graduation rate within 150% of normal time at 2-year postsecondary institutions (3-year IPEDS graduation rates), cohort 2020. Alaska's 3-year graduation rate (**58%**) **decreased from cohort 2019** (67%). NCES

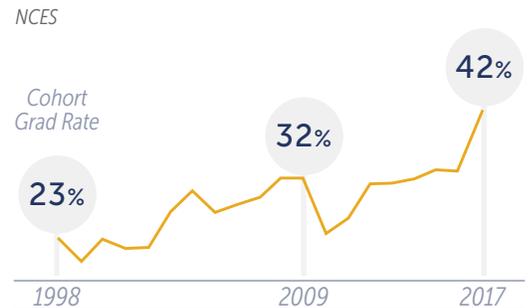


4-year postsecondary graduation rates (Cohort 2017) was the highest in two decades.

Within 150% of normal time, 6-year IPEDS graduation rates

EXHIBIT 33

Trend of Alaska's 4-year postsecondary graduation rates by cohort (within 150% of normal time, 6-year IPEDS graduation rates). NCES



Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Enrollments

Alaska FTE enrollments continue to be the lowest when compared to states with similar populations (less than one million residents).

EXHIBIT 34

Alaska FTE enrollments are **1.6 to 2.7 times less** than all other states with comparable populations. ACS, SHEEO-SHEF



States with Populations Under 1 Million	State Population	FTE Enrollments
South Dakota	918,310	30,740
North Dakota	789,050	32,160
Alaska	736,510	12,075
Vermont	648,710	19,290
Wyoming	585,070	20,870

National Context Table 2

	Total Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Enrollment FY23	2022-23 Average Tuition & Fees		FY2023 Student Cost		Average Borrower Student Loan Debt (\$) All State Residents
		Public 4-Year	Public 2-Year	State Financial Aid per FTE (\$)	Students Share of Tuition (%)	
NATIONAL	10,245,310	\$9,750	\$3,598	\$1,050	40%	\$35,668
ALABAMA	197,404	\$11,081	\$5,039	\$296	52%	\$37,709
ALASKA	12,075	\$8,291	-	\$809	20%	\$35,821
ARIZONA	304,993	\$11,768	\$2,160	\$188	59%	\$35,675
ARKANSAS	103,606	\$8,879	\$3,657	\$1,081	48%	\$33,858
CALIFORNIA	1,547,861	\$8,637	\$1,286	\$1,048	19%	\$38,168
COLORADO	175,969	\$9,798	\$3,426	\$1,337	65%	\$37,392
CONNECTICUT	89,305	\$15,763	\$4,758	\$331	38%	\$36,672
DELAWARE	36,134	\$11,922	-	\$498	75%	\$38,683
FLORIDA	560,982	\$4,540	-	\$1,565	20%	\$39,262
GEORGIA	348,477	\$7,075	\$3,134	\$2,542	28%	\$42,026
HAWAII	31,880	\$10,484	\$3,227	\$148	23%	\$38,158
IDAHO	54,261	\$7,640	\$3,361	\$370	42%	\$33,281
ILLINOIS	278,539	\$14,921	\$4,249	\$1,346	29%	\$39,055
INDIANA	238,175	\$9,886	\$4,637	\$1,091	63%	\$33,243
IOWA	115,113	\$10,121	\$5,583	\$338	62%	\$30,925
KANSAS	118,924	\$9,274	\$3,645	\$386	43%	\$33,119
KENTUCKY	135,356	\$11,299	\$4,588	\$2,177	49%	\$33,470
LOUISIANA	159,036	\$9,843	\$4,367	\$2,150	44%	\$34,866
MAINE	32,293	\$10,813	\$3,779	\$1,114	39%	\$34,292
MARYLAND	215,977	\$10,041	\$4,408	\$406	41%	\$43,692
MASSACHUSETTS	139,082	\$14,345	\$5,564	\$757	32%	\$35,529
MICHIGAN	324,705	\$14,718	\$3,963	\$213	61%	\$36,974
MINNESOTA	159,023	\$12,873	\$6,049	\$920	52%	\$34,071
MISSISSIPPI	117,296	\$9,120	\$3,688	\$457	49%	\$37,254
MISSOURI	143,401	\$9,926	\$4,077	\$1,144	48%	\$35,675
MONTANA	33,811	\$7,299	\$3,950	\$44	52%	\$33,945
NEBRASKA	71,228	\$8,862	\$3,408	\$330	36%	\$32,377
NEVADA	73,956	\$6,723	-	\$1,292	26%	\$34,589
NEW HAMPSHIRE	30,009	\$17,019	\$7,108	\$221	71%	\$34,884
NEW JERSEY	242,280	\$15,265	\$4,981	\$1,521	44%	\$37,201
NEW MEXICO	73,111	\$7,526	\$1,923	\$3,444	13%	\$34,280
NEW YORK	445,675	\$8,575	\$5,755	\$1,227	30%	\$38,690
NORTH CAROLINA	393,774	\$7,327	\$2,527	\$563	29%	\$38,695
NORTH DAKOTA	32,160	\$9,728	\$5,610	\$552	54%	\$29,647
OHIO	349,053	\$10,922	\$4,630	\$381	58%	\$35,033
OKLAHOMA	119,478	\$8,519	\$4,413	\$987	53%	\$32,103
OREGON	123,725	\$12,424	\$5,376	\$876	54%	\$37,829
PENNSYLVANIA	291,659	\$16,217	\$5,717	\$891	61%	\$36,267
RHODE ISLAND	28,491	\$14,744	\$5,090	\$441	59%	\$33,270
SOUTH CAROLINA	170,214	\$12,604	\$4,987	\$2,252	61%	\$38,770
SOUTH DAKOTA	30,736	\$9,079	\$7,412	\$216	52%	\$30,928
TENNESSEE	175,744	\$10,437	\$4,440	\$3,478	32%	\$36,886
TEXAS	1,006,957	\$8,195	\$2,931	\$602	44%	\$33,581
UTAH	129,100	\$7,215	\$4,257	\$302	39%	\$33,746
VERMONT	19,290	\$17,600	\$6,920	\$549	77%	\$38,404
VIRGINIA	289,778	\$14,825	\$5,220	\$1,351	50%	\$40,137
WASHINGTON	201,544	\$8,006	\$4,623	\$1,790	37%	\$36,762
WEST VIRGINIA	57,662	\$8,715	\$4,600	\$1,522	56%	\$32,358
WISCONSIN	195,141	\$8,974	\$4,656	\$614	45%	\$32,628
WYOMING	20,867	\$5,100	\$4,192	\$1,359	19%	\$31,503

SHEEO-SHEF, NCES, Institute for College Access & Success, Chamber of Commerce, Educationdata.org

Alaska vs. National Metrics

Continued **EXHIBIT 35 - 45**

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

-31%
Alaska's FTE enrollment change since 2018 (largest change of any state)
SHEEO-SHEF

EXHIBIT 35

Student's Share of Cost
(Net Tuition as % of Revenues, 2023)



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:
FLORIDA | HAWAII

- Vermont **77%** ▲ #1
- New Mexico **13%** ▼ #50

SHEEO-SHEF

EXHIBIT 36

State Financial Aid per FTE Student (2022-23)



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:
OREGON | MASSACHUSETTS

- Tennessee **\$3,478** ▲ #1
- Montana **\$44** ▼ #50

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EXHIBIT 37

Percent Change in FTE Enrollment
*(1-Year, 2022-23)**



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:
NEW HAMPSHIRE | WASHINGTON

- Connecticut **+19%** ▲ #1
- Ohio **-5%** ▼ #50

SHEEO-SHEF

EXHIBIT 38

Income Inequality (*Gini Index 2023*)
Gini coefficient range: 0-1 (perfect equality - perfect inequality)



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:
WISCONSIN | HAWAII

- Utah **0.423** ▲ #1
- New York **0.516** ▼ #50

ACS

EXHIBIT 39

Median Household Income
(2023 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars)



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:
VIRGINIA | MINNESOTA

- Massachusetts **\$99,858** ▲ #1
- Mississippi **\$54,203** ▼ #50

ACS

EXHIBIT 40

Cost of Living
(2023 Regional Price Parties, US = 100)



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:
FLORIDA | RHODE ISLAND

- California **112.6** ▲ #1
- Arkansas **86.6** ▼ #50

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*Alaska was among the 50% of states with a negative FTE.

EXHIBIT 41

Poverty Rates 2023

Alaska poverty rates have remained relatively static over the past four years, and are similar to National averages.
US Census Bureau (ACS)

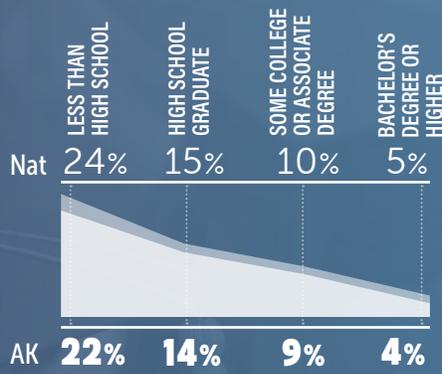
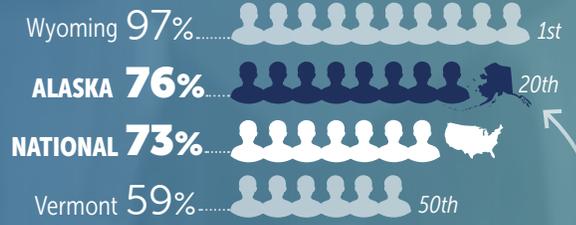


EXHIBIT 42

College Acceptance Rates 2024

Alaska's college acceptance rate (**76%**) is higher than the National average (**73%**), ranking 20th in the US. *UnivStats*



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

5.5x

LESS WITH A BACHELOR'S

2.5x

LESS WITH AN ASSOCIATE

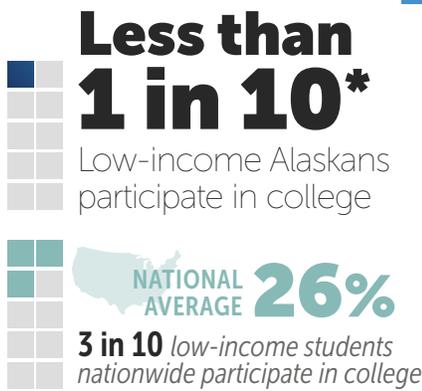
1.5x

LESS WITH AN HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

SIMILARLY RANKED STATES TO AK:
Oklahoma (77% | 19th) & New Jersey (76% | 21st)

EXHIBIT 43

Low-income College Participation 2022



*Alaska participation was **two times less** than state with next lowest rate (Idaho, 49th at 16%)



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:
OKLAHOMA | WYOMING

New Jersey **40%** ▲ #1
***Alaska 8%** ▼ #50

Pell Institute

EXHIBIT 44

Average Tuition & Fees

Public 4-Year, 2022-23

\$8,300

Average cost at Alaska public 4-year institutions



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:
TEXAS | OKLAHOMA

Florida **\$4,540** ▲ #1
Vermont **\$17,600** ▼ #50

NCES

EXHIBIT 45

Alaska Residents with Student Loan Debt

State Residents, 2024

45% Nearly half of Alaska student borrowers under the age of 35 have debt



SIMILAR RANKED STATES:
NEVADA | FLORIDA

North Dakota **59%** ▲ #1
Massachusetts **13%** ▼ #50

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Financial Aid & STUDENT OUTCOMES

Federal Financial 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 2024-2025 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 Financial 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 \$7,000 per year** towards their postsecondary education costs. Alaska residents graduating from an Alaska high school earn the scholarship by completing a rigorous high school curriculum and meeting either minimum GPA or test score requirements. 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 eligible postsecondary educational institutions in Alaska. Grant awards range from **\$500 to \$4,000 per academic year**. Awards are prioritized based on financial need, application date for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and continuing full-time enrollment.

LEARN MORE:

- [Alaska FAFSA Completion Initiative](#) · page 5
- [AEG](#) · page 24

Alaska Supplemental Education Loan (ASEL)

The Alaska Supplemental Education loan (ASEL) provides low-cost loans to Alaska college or career training students, and can be used in and out of state. Students can choose to defer payments while enrolled in school at least half-time, or make fixed monthly payments of \$20 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, and can be used in and out of state. 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 career 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 **\$15,000 scholarship provided to the top ten percent of all graduating seniors** from Alaska high schools and can be



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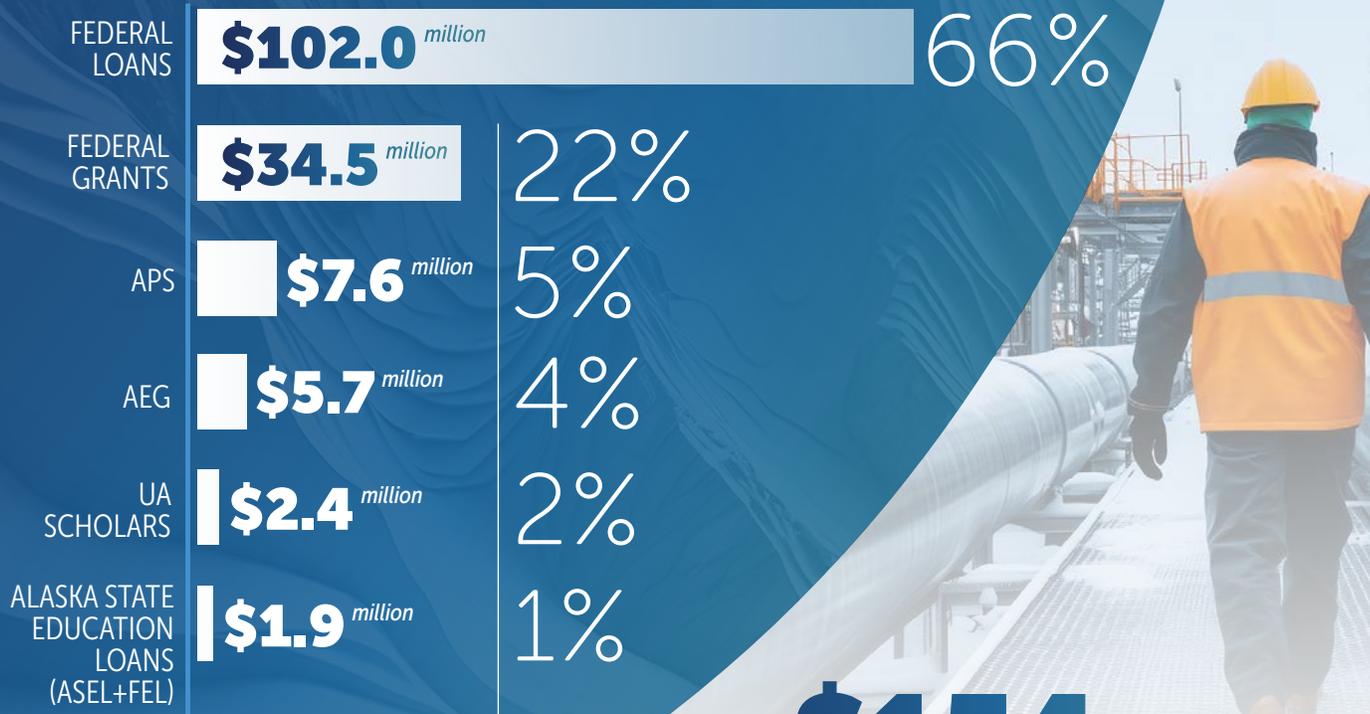
used at any of the University of Alaska (UA) campuses. It provides an incentive for

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 46

Total Federal and State Financial Aid Disbursed in Alaska:

State and Federal Aid disbursed in Alaska 2023-24. Breakdown includes the amount disbursed by each financial aid program (in millions) and the proportion (%) the disbursed amount represents relative to other programs.



\$154 Million
Total Federal & State Aid Disbursed in Alaska, 2023-24

Studentaid.gov (FY24), Internal ACPE Data (FY24), UA in Review (FY24)



Alaska Education Grant Outcomes

AEG

\$67 MILLION

has been disbursed to **24,000** Alaska students with financial need since 2006. Students receive AEG based on financial need, determined by income information from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

EXHIBIT 47

AEG STATS

2024 Award Year Breakdown:

2,650
 Number of Recipients

\$2,180
 Average Award Amount

29 **13%**
 Avg. Age 1st Generation

7% Alaska Native
 180 STUDENTS

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 the likelihood of receiving an AEG award:

- 1 Student's financial need, from the student's Student Aid Index (SAI) as determined by the FAFSA
- 2 Student's enrollment level that term, with full-time students prioritized over part-time students
- 3 FAFSA filing date, beginning with the earliest date
- 4 Status as AEG recipient in the previous academic year

EXHIBIT 48

AEG RECIPIENTS AT UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA (UA)

UA in Review, FY24



\$3,469 Average total aid received by AEG recipients attending UA (includes grants, loans, scholarships, and other aid types)



15% Proportion of credentials* that went to Alaska Native/American Indian students at UA
 *degrees, certificates, and endorsements



22% Proportion of credentials* that went to Alaska Native/American Indian AEG recipients at UA
 *degrees, certificates, and endorsements



Alaska Performance Scholarship Outcomes

APS

OVER \$126 MILLION has been awarded from FY2012-2025 through the Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) program. The APS promotes high school achievement, allows greater access to postsecondary education, and helps retain students in Alaska.

Qualification Requirements

To be eligible for the APS, students must:

- 1 Meet minimum (2.5+) grade point average
 OR meet minimum test score: SAT (at least 1060), ACT (21), WorkKeys (13)
- 2 Complete the required high school curriculum

EXHIBIT 49

APS Eligibility & Use

Award Year Breakdown, Class of 2024



45% APS ELIGIBILITY

Class of 2024 saw the highest eligibility rate in program's history



22% APS USE

APS-eligible graduates receive the APS award by enrolling in an Alaska postsecondary institution.

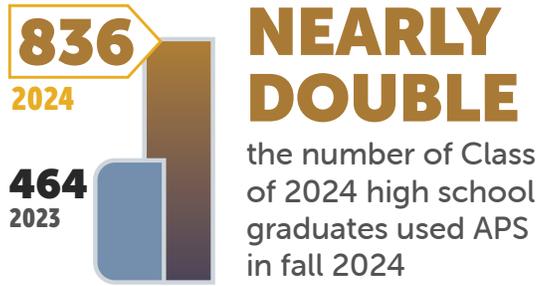
Postsecondary Outcomes of APS Recipients:



7 APS Program Updates

Due to legislative action in June 2024, the APS underwent a variety of changes related to eligibility requirements, award amount, term of use, and more:

Making APS **more accessible** to Alaska's high-achieving students:



+ APS use from Alaska Native students **quadrupled in 2024**

- 1 Removal of standardized test score requirement: Students must meet a minimum GPA requirement **OR** minimum test score requirement
- 2 Increase award amount for each APS award level
- 3 Expansion of qualifying rigorous high school curriculum options
- 4 Delivery of award notification by mid-Junior year
- 5 Elimination of separate "Collegiate" and "CTE" award tracks/types
- 6 Extend term of use from six to eight years
- 7 Creation of Step-Up provision for continuing students to increase award level after 2 terms/semesters

EXHIBIT 50

Top APS Influences

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



8 in 10

Influenced to Achieve Better Grades & Take Placement Tests



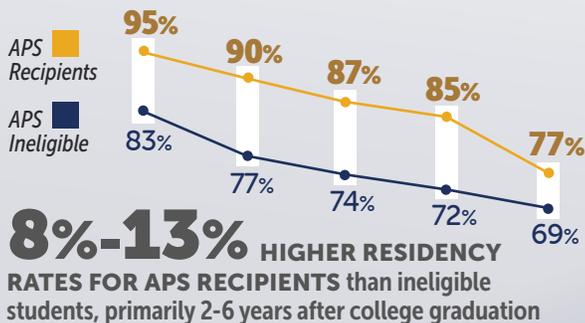
7 in 10

Influenced to Attend Alaska School

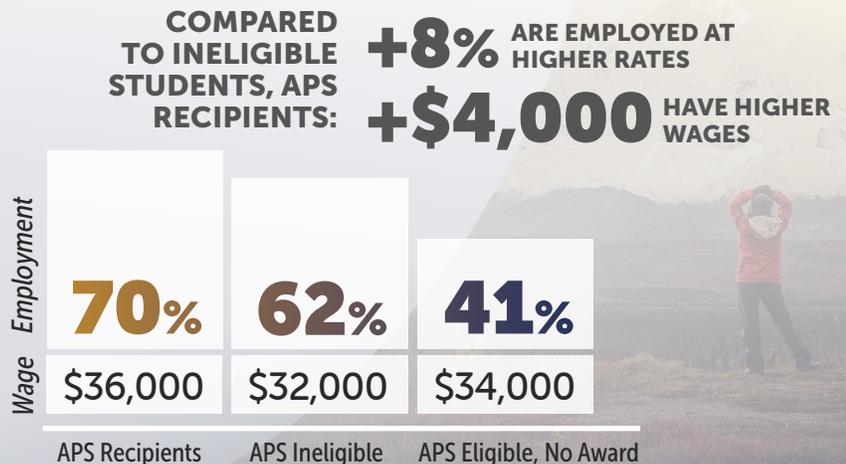
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Long-term Retention of APS Recipients to Alaska

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



Alaska Employment & Wages: Average employment rates and annual wages five years after graduation, Class of 2016-2018 average.



Alaska Postsecondary INSTITUTION PROFILES

EXHIBIT 52

Colleges & Universities

IPEDS, ACPE Surveys

- PG 27** · Alaska Bible College
· Alaska Career College

- PG 28** · Alaska Christian College
· Alaska Pacific University

- PG 29** · Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC)
· Charter College
Alaska Satellite Campus (survey data incorporated with IPEDS)

- PG 30** · Ilisagvik College
· University of Alaska: Anchorage (UAA)

- PG 31** · University of Alaska: Fairbanks (UAF)
· University of Alaska: Southeast (UAS)

ALASKA INSTITUTION PROFILE **KEY:**

A mock profile is provided below as a guide for referencing data in the eleven Alaska institution profiles on pages 27-32. Each profile is broken into fourteen sections, numbered below.

1 ALASKA INSTITUTION

- CAMPUS LOCATION(S)
- Award Types Offered
- school website

ENROLLMENTS (FALL ENROLLMENTS)

- 5** Total number of fall enrollments
- 6** Proportion of enrollments: undergraduate/graduates, full-time/part-time, with some distance education, nonresident

TUITION & FEES (\$)

- 7** Total dollar amount (\$) for in-state tuition & fees
- 8** Proportion of students receiving aid type and average amount disbursed:
AY23: Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid, Pell Grant, Federal Student Loans
AY24: Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS), Alaska Education Grant (AEG), Alaska State Education Loans

9 Top Programs

Award Type (Ex: Bachelor's)
List of top three programs from most prolific award type of institution

GRADUATION RATES (FIRST-TIME, FULL-TIME, DEGREE/CERTIFICATE-SEEKING UNDERGRADUATES WITHIN 150% OF NORMAL TIME)

- 10** Overall Graduation Rate
- 11** Graduation rates of different student categories: men, women, white, and Alaska Native students

- 12** Full-time and part-time 1st-to-2nd year retention rates
Fall enrollments

- 13** Graduation rates of students receiving Pell Grant, Stafford Loan, and Non-Recipient students of Title IV Aid
Grad rates within 150% of normal time

14 Total Awards

Number or awards by type
Full academic year, award types not administered by institution indicated by "**"

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.

DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL ENROLLMENTS)

- 2 Gender**
Proportion of male & female students
(undergraduate students)
- 3 Age**
Proportion of students above and below 25 years of age
(undergraduate & graduate students)
- 4 Race/Ethnicity**
Proportion of students by race and ethnicity (total = 100%)
Alaska Native/American Indian
Asian
Black/African American
Hispanic/Latino
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander
White
Two or More
Unknown

ALASKA BIBLE COLLEGE



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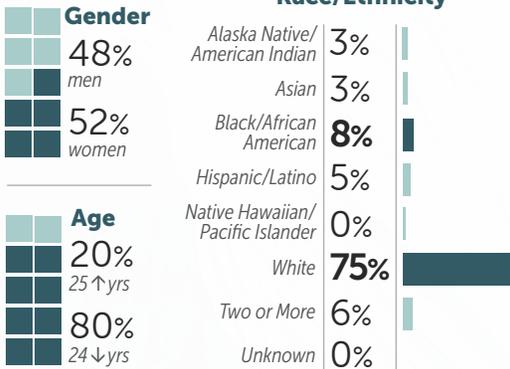


Certificates · Associate · Bachelor's



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DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2023)



65 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2023)

100% | 0% Undergraduate | Graduate

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

0% With Some Distance Education

0% Nonresident

\$10,930 TUITION & FEES (AY24)

AY23 **82%** (AVG \$7,120) Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid

AY23 **49%** (AVG \$4,660) Pell Grant

AY24 **16%** (AVG \$2,463) Alaska Performance Scholarship

AY24 **31%** (AVG \$2,196) Alaska Education Grant

AY23 **13%** (AVG \$4,661) Federal Student Loans

AY24 **0.0%** (AVG \$0) Alaska State Education Loans

Graduation Rates by Category of Student (Cohort 2017)

(within 150% of normal time, first-time, full-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergrads)

100% OVERALL G.R.

100% Men | 100% White

100% Women | Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2023)

33% | Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Aid

(within 150% of normal time, 2017 Cohort)

100% Pell Grant Recipients

Stafford Loan Recipients

100% Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

Top Programs

Bachelor's Awarded AY2023

◆ Theology & Religious Vocations · 3

Total Awards AY2023

0..... Certificate Below Bachelor's

• Certificate Above Bachelor's

1..... Associate

3..... Bachelor's

• Master's

• Doctorate/Professional Degree

ALASKA CAREER COLLEGE



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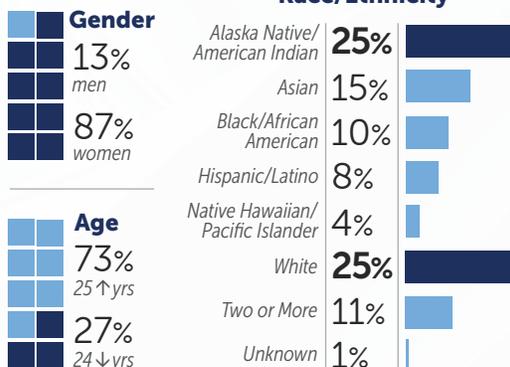


Certificates · Associate



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DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2023)



255 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2023)

100% | 0% Undergraduate | Graduate

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

0% With Some Distance Education

0% Nonresident

\$16,545 TUITION & FEES (AY24)

AY23 **69%** (AVG \$7,574) Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid

AY23 **58%** (AVG \$4,264) Pell Grant

AY24 **2%** (AVG \$3,368) Alaska Performance Scholarship

AY24 **30%** (AVG \$2,998) Alaska Education Grant

AY23 **50%** (AVG \$2,780) Federal Student Loans

AY24 **1.6%** (AVG \$12,812) Alaska State Education Loans

Graduation Rates by Category of Student (Cohort 2017)

(within 150% of normal time, first-time, full-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergrads)

65% OVERALL G.R.

53% Men | 78% White

67% Women | 50% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2023)

71% | Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Aid

(within 150% of normal time, 2017 Cohort)

66% Pell Grant Recipients

75% Stafford Loan Recipients

60% Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

Top Programs

Certificates Awarded AY2023

◆ Health Professions & Related Programs · 131

◆ Business Management, Marketing & Related Support Services · 7

Total Awards AY2023

138..... Certificate Below Bachelor's

• Certificate Above Bachelor's

19..... Associate

• Bachelor's

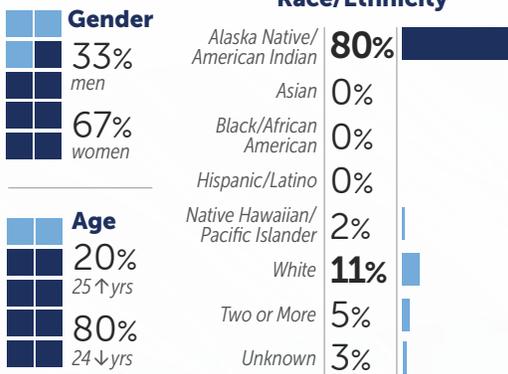
• Master's

• Doctorate/Professional Degree

ALASKA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE



DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2023)



64 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2023)

100%	0%	Undergraduate Graduate
87%	13%	Full-Time Part-Time
14%		With Some Distance Education
0%		Nonresident

\$9,014 TUITION & FEES (AY24)

AY23	99% (AVG \$17,138)	Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid
AY23	78% (AVG \$5,084)	Pell Grant
AY24	2% (AVG \$1,783)	Alaska Performance Scholarship
AY24	53% (AVG \$2,280)	Alaska Education Grant
AY23	(AVG .)	Federal Student Loans
AY24	0.0% (AVG \$0)	Alaska State Education Loans

Graduation Rates by Category of Student (Cohort 2017)

(within 150% of normal time, first-time, full-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergrads)

12% OVERALL G.R.

0%	Men	White
16%	Women	8% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2023)

44%	Full-Time Part-Time
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Graduation Rates by Category of Aid (within 150% of normal time, 2017 Cohort)

10%	Pell Grant Recipients
	Stafford Loan Recipients
25%	Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

Top Programs

- Associate Awarded AY2023
- Liberal Arts & Sciences, General Studies, & Humanities · 7
- Education · 2
- Health Professions & Related Programs · 2

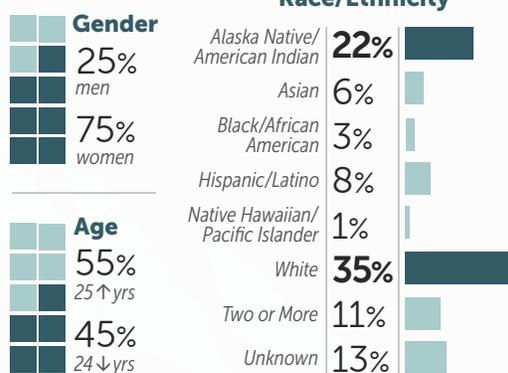
Total Awards AY2023

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

ALASKA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY (APU)



DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2023)



578 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2023)

76%	24%	Undergraduate Graduate
62%	38%	Full-Time Part-Time
49%		With Some Distance Education
1%		Nonresident

\$20,760 TUITION & FEES (AY24)

AY23	86% (AVG \$11,233)	Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid
AY23	34% (AVG \$4,202)	Pell Grant
AY24	7% (AVG \$3,630)	Alaska Performance Scholarship
AY24	16% (AVG \$2,297)	Alaska Education Grant
AY23	42% (AVG \$7,444)	Federal Student Loans
AY24	1.2% (AVG \$7,857)	Alaska State Education Loans

Graduation Rates by Category of Student (Cohort 2017)

(within 150% of normal time, first-time, full-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergrads)

47% OVERALL G.R.

67%	Men	53% White
42%	Women	50% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2023)

68%	50%	Full-Time Part-Time
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Graduation Rates by Category of Aid (within 150% of normal time, 2017 Cohort)

38%	Pell Grant Recipients
78%	Stafford Loan Recipients
29%	Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

Top Programs

- Bachelor's Awarded AY2023
- Health Professions & Related Programs · 18
- Business Management, Marketing & Related Support Services · 11
- Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies · 10

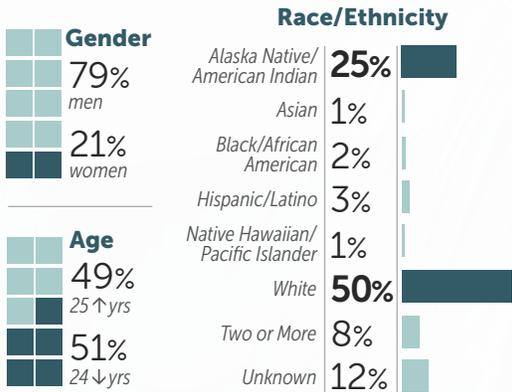
Total Awards AY2023

- 24..... Certificate Below Bachelor's
- 31..... Certificate Above Bachelor's
- 28..... Associate
- 55..... Bachelor's
- 40..... Master's
- 4..... Doctorate/Professional Degree

ALASKA VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL CENTER (AVTEC)



DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2023)



452 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2023)

100%	0%	Undergraduate Graduate
33%	67%	Full-Time Part-Time
0%		With Some Distance Education
0%		Nonresident

\$4,736 TUITION & FEES (AY24)

AY23	21% (AVG \$6,896)	Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid
AY23	6% (AVG \$4,452)	Pell Grant
AY24	1% (AVG \$2,881)	Alaska Performance Scholarship
AY24	3% (AVG \$2,020)	Alaska Education Grant
AY23	1% (AVG \$5,536)	Federal Student Loans
AY24	1.3% (AVG \$12,833)	Alaska State Education Loans

Graduation Rates by Category of Student (Cohort 2017)

(within 150% of normal time, first-time, full-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergrads)

86% OVERALL G.R.

Men	White
Women	Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2023)

90% | 93% Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Aid

(within 150% of normal time, 2017 Cohort)

100%	Pell Grant Recipients
100%	Stafford Loan Recipients
82%	Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

Top Programs

Certificates Awarded AY2023

- ◆ Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians · 25
- ◆ Precision Production · 19
- ◆ Business Management, Marketing & Related Support Services · 15

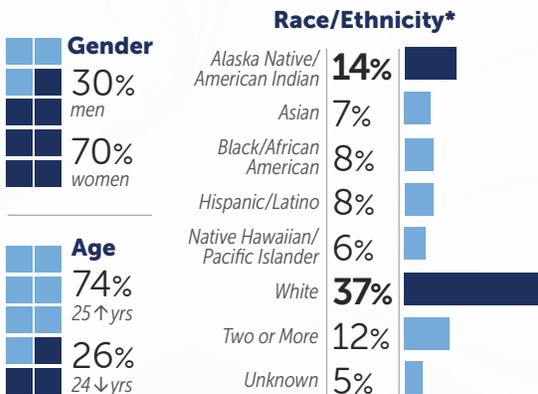
Total Awards AY2023

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

CHARTER COLLEGE (AK)



DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2023)



*3% not reported

664 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2023)

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

\$18,376 TUITION & FEES (AY24)

AY23	67% (AVG \$5,750)	Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid
AY23	66% (AVG \$5,159)	Pell Grant
AY24	2% (AVG \$2,180)	Alaska Performance Scholarship
AY24	40% (AVG \$2,461)	Alaska Education Grant
AY23	81% (AVG \$7,797)	Federal Student Loans
AY24	0.0% (AVG \$0)	Alaska State Education Loans

Graduation Rates by Category of Student (Cohort 2017)

(within 150% of normal time, first-time, full-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergrads)

58% OVERALL G.R.

54%	Men	62%	White
59%	Women	46%	Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2023)

• | • Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Aid

(within 150% of normal time, 2017 Cohort)

56%	Pell Grant Recipients
69%	Stafford Loan Recipients
52%	Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

Top Programs

Associates & Bachelor's AY2023

- ◆ Nursing (ASS) · 68
- ◆ Business Management (ASS) · 9
- ◆ Business Management, Marketing & Health Care Administration (BS) · 8

Total Awards AY2023

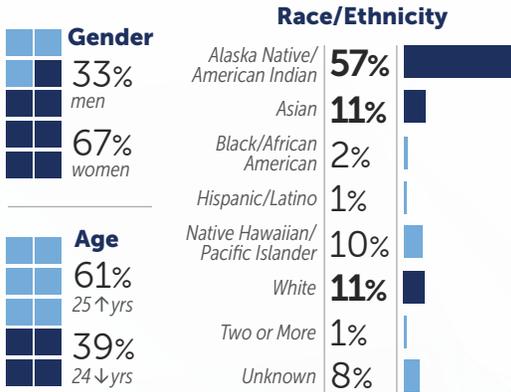
- 204.... Certificate Below Bachelor's
- Certificate Above Bachelor's
 - 107..... Associate
 - 13..... Bachelor's
 - Master's
 - Doctorate/Professional Degree

ILISAGVIK COLLEGE

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DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2023)



311 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2023)

100%	0%	Undergraduate Graduate
17%	83%	Full-Time Part-Time
59%		With Some Distance Education
0%		Nonresident

\$5,260 TUITION & FEES (AY24)

AY23	36% (AVG \$4,510)	Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid
AY23	11% (AVG \$3,895)	Pell Grant
AY24	0% (AVG \$0)	Alaska Performance Scholarship
AY24	2% (AVG \$2,516)	Alaska Education Grant
AY23	(AVG \$)	Federal Student Loans
AY24	0.0% (AVG \$0)	Alaska State Education Loans

Graduation Rates by Category of Student (Cohort 2017)

(within 150% of normal time, first-time, full-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergrads)

36% OVERALL G.R.

33%	Men	0%	White
38%	Women	38%	Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2023)

Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Aid (within 150% of normal time, 2017 Cohort)

50%	Pell Grant Recipients
	Stafford Loan Recipients
33%	Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

- ### Top Programs
- Certificates Awarded AY2023
- Business Management, Marketing & Related Support Services · 14
 - Construction Trades · 10
 - Computer & Information Sciences & Support Services · 7

Total Awards AY2023

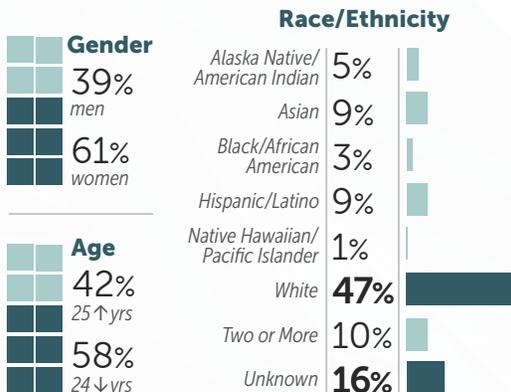
- 41..... Certificate Below Bachelor's
- Certificate Above Bachelor's
- 14..... Associate
- 3..... Bachelor's
- Master's
- Doctorate/Professional Degree

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE (UAA)

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DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2023)



10,796 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2023)

94%	6%	Undergraduate Graduate
39%	61%	Full-Time Part-Time
72%		With Some Distance Education
2%		Nonresident

\$7,566 TUITION & FEES (AY24)

AY23	45% (AVG \$6,244)	Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid
AY23	19% (AVG \$4,344)	Pell Grant
AY24	7% (AVG \$3,336)	Alaska Performance Scholarship
AY24	8% (AVG \$2,060)	Alaska Education Grant
AY23	15% (AVG \$6,587)	Federal Student Loans
AY24	0.4% (AVG \$9,774)	Alaska State Education Loans

Graduation Rates by Category of Student (Cohort 2017)

(within 150% of normal time, first-time, full-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergrads)

29% OVERALL G.R.

27%	Men	35%	White
31%	Women	9%	Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2023)

72% | 43% Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Aid (within 150% of normal time, 2017 Cohort)

21%	Pell Grant Recipients
28%	Stafford Loan Recipients
33%	Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

- ### Top Programs
- Bachelor's Awarded AY2023
- Health Professions & Related Programs · 201
 - Business Management, Marketing & Related Support Services · 128
 - Engineering · 60

Total Awards AY2023

- 177..... Certificate Below Bachelor's
- 43..... Certificate Above Bachelor's
- 445..... Associate
- 820..... Bachelor's
- 192..... Master's
- 5..... Doctorate/Professional Degree

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS (UAF)



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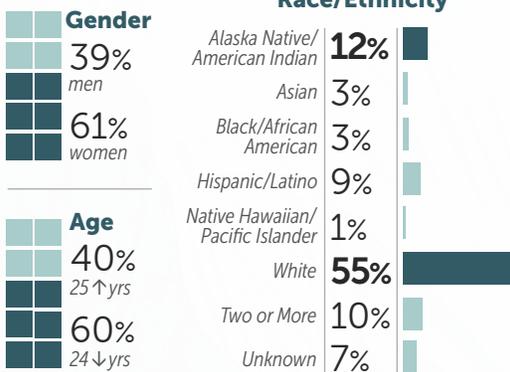
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DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2023)



6,640 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2023)

85% | 15% Undergraduate | Graduate

43% | 57% Full-Time | Part-Time

79% With Some Distance Education

3% Nonresident

\$8,640 TUITION & FEES (AY24)

AY23 47% (AVG \$8,233) Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid

AY23 22% (AVG \$4,237) Pell Grant

AY24 8% (AVG \$3,616) Alaska Performance Scholarship

AY24 6% (AVG \$2,180) Alaska Education Grant

AY23 18% (AVG \$6,878) Federal Student Loans

AY24 0.4% (AVG \$11,384) Alaska State Education Loans

Top Programs

Bachelor's Awarded AY2023

- ◆ Business Management, Marketing & Related Support Services · 72
- ◆ Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, Firefighting & Related Protective Services · 49
- ◆ Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies | Engineering · 46

Graduation Rates by Category of Student (Cohort 2017)

(within 150% of normal time, first-time, full-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergrads)

32% OVERALL G.R.

30% Men 37% White
34% Women 16% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2023)

72% | 43% Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Aid

(within 150% of normal time, 2017 Cohort)

24% Pell Grant Recipients
28% Stafford Loan Recipients
37% Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

Total Awards AY2023

231..... Certificate Below Bachelor's
51..... Certificate Above Bachelor's
192..... Associate
444.... Bachelor's
178..... Master's
31..... Doctorate/Professional Degree

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA SOUTHEAST (UAS)



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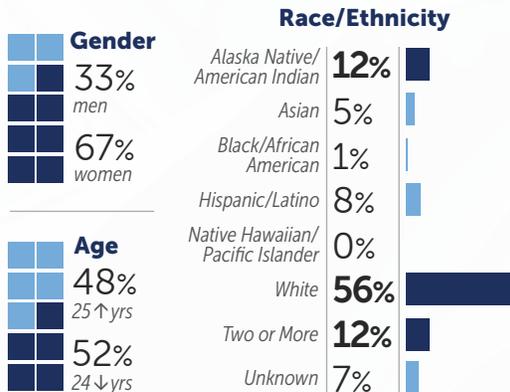
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DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (FALL 2023)



1,918 ENROLLMENT (FALL 2023)

87% | 13% Undergraduate | Graduate

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

67% With Some Distance Education

1% Nonresident

\$6,960 TUITION & FEES (AY24)

AY23 39% (AVG \$6,152) Undergraduates Receive Gift Aid

AY23 14% (AVG \$4,283) Pell Grant

AY24 4% (AVG \$3,566) Alaska Performance Scholarship

AY24 5% (AVG \$1,967) Alaska Education Grant

AY23 14% (AVG \$6,508) Federal Student Loans

AY24 0.5% (AVG \$11,801) Alaska State Education Loans

Top Programs

Certificates Awarded AY2023

- ◆ Health Professions and Related Programs · 51
- ◆ Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, Firefighting & Related Protective Services · 39
- ◆ Precision Production · 15

Graduation Rates by Category of Student (Cohort 2017)

(within 150% of normal time, first-time, full-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergrads)

31% OVERALL G.R.

25% Men 40% White
36% Women 8% Alaska Native

1st-to-2nd Year Retention Rates (Fall 2023)

71% | 50% Full-Time | Part-Time

Graduation Rates by Category of Aid

(within 150% of normal time, 2017 Cohort)

28% Pell Grant Recipients
29% Stafford Loan Recipients
33% Non-Recipients of Title IV Aid

Total Awards AY2023

153..... Certificate Below Bachelor's
35..... Certificate Above Bachelor's
67..... Associate
130..... Bachelor's
90..... Master's
• Doctorate/Professional Degree

DEMOGRAPHICS

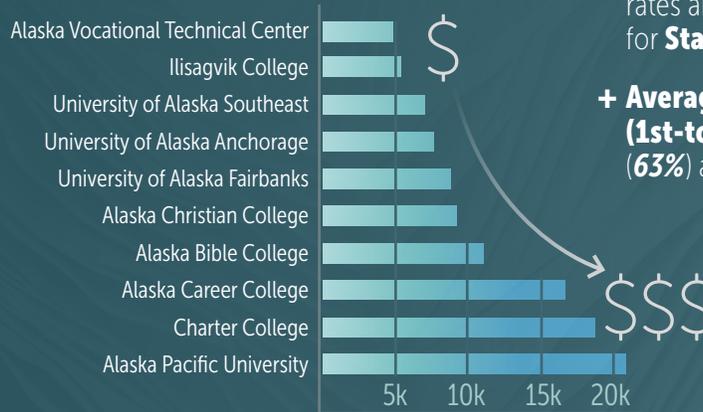
(Fall 2023)

- + **Women** are most over-represented at Alaska Career College and APU, where **1-2 in 10 students being men**
- + **Men** are only over-represented at AVTEC (**80%**), where **1 in 5 students are women**.
- + Across all Alaska schools, **half** of undergraduates are **aged 24 and under**
- + **Alaska Native Students:** **80%** of students at Alaska Christian College and **57%** at Ilisagvik. **One quarter** of students are Alaska Native at Alaska Career College, APU, and AVTEC.

FALL ENROLLMENTS 2023

- + **UA Schools** accounts for **88%** of Alaska fall enrollments
- + Across all Alaska schools (all students), **56%** are **full-time** and **44%** **part time**
- + Alaska **undergraduates** make up **93%** of the postsecondary student body

TUITION & FEES (AY2023)



GRADUATION RATES:
47% Overall (Cohort 2017)

- + **Average Graduation Rates:** **48%** (White), **46%** (Women), **41%** (Men), **46%** (Alaska Native)
- + Across all institutions, graduation rates are **equal** for those receiving **Pell Grants vs non-recipients**; graduation rates are **higher** on average for **Stafford loan** recipients.
- + **Average Retention Rate (1st-to-2nd Year):** Full time (**63%**) and part-time (**56%**)

THE FOLLOWING ALASKA POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS AND TRAINING CENTERS WERE APPROVED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ALASKA PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP (APS) PROGRAM

View full "APS Approved Institutions and Programs" resource at:

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Regionally and Nationally Accredited Institutions:

- Alaska Bible College
- Alaska Career College
- Alaska Christian College
- Alaska Pacific University
- Bristol Bay Campus – UAF
- Charter College
- Chukchi Campus – UAF
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Ilisagvik College
- Interior-Aleutians Campus – UAF
- Kenai Peninsula College – UAA
- Ketchikan Campus – UAS
- Kodiak College – UAA
- Kuskokwim Campus – UAF
- Matanuska-Susitna College – UAA
- Northwest Campus – UAF
- Prince William Sound Community College
- Sitka Campus – UAS
- UAF Community & Technical College
- University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA)
- University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF)
- University of Alaska Southeast (UAS)

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Institutions / Training Centers:

- A Head of Time Design Academy
- Alaska Driving Academy
- Alaska Technical Center
- Amundsen Educational Center
- AVTEC – Alaska Vocational Technical Center
- Kenai Peninsula Driving Instruction
- Land and Sea Aviation
- MetrOasis Advanced Training Center
- Northern Industrial Training
- THE Beauty School (formerly Glenda's Training Center)
- Trend Setters School of Beauty

EXHIBIT 53

Other Collegiate Institutions

ACPE Institutional Authorization Annual Reporting

 LOCATION
  GRADUATION RATE
  LEARN MORE (WEBSITE)

- FORT RICHARDSON** Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- ANCHORAGE** The Master's Seminary
- SITKA** Outercoast

NOTE: "-" denote null or suppressed values throughout Exhibit 53.

TOP PROGRAMS: TUITION & FEES: FINANCIAL AID:

EMBRY-RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIVERSITY · *WORLDWIDE*  **FORT RICHARDSON**

 erau.edu  GRAD RATE: - Data not reported on IPEDS due to students being part-time	1 . . . 2 . . . 3 . . .	worldwide.erau.edu/admissions/cost-tuition/	+ Federal (VA Funding) + Other (Self Pay)
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THE MASTER'S SEMINARY  **ANCHORAGE**

 nlemaster@tms.edu  GRAD RATE: - FALL SEMESTER 2024	<i>No graduates as of 2023: 4 year program for full-time students and the students who started in Fall of 2019 are part time.</i>	1 Master of Divinity – 10	+ 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.
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OUTERCOAST  **SITKA**

 outercoast.org  GRAD RATE: n/a 23-2024	1 Outer Coast Semester (Fall: Aug-Dec) – 13	1 Fishing Term – \$7,500 2 Fall Term – \$18,750 3 Spring Term – \$18,750	+ Institutional Aid + Other (Self Pay)
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EXHIBIT 54

Alaska Career & Technical Training Providers

ACPE Institutional Authorization Annual Reporting

 LOCATION
  GRADUATION RATE
  LEARN MORE (WEBSITE)

- ANCHORAGE**
 - 1 Academy of Hair Design
 - 2 A Head of Time Design Academy
 - 3 Alaska Institute of Oriental Medicine, Acupuncture, & Massage Therapy
 - 4 Alaska Training Center
 - 5 Center for Employment Education
 - 6 Hair Science
 - 7 Metroasis Advanced Training Center
 - 8 Trend Setters School of Beauty
- BETHEL**
 - 1 Yuut Elitnaurviat: People's Learning Center
- FAIRBANKS**
 - 1 Institute of Massage Fairbanks

- JUNEAU, KLAWOCK**
 - 1 Generations Southeast Community Learning Center (GSCLC)
- PALMER (+ANCHORAGE, FAIRBANKS)**
 - 1 Northern Industrial Training
 - 2 Mat-Su CNA Training Program
 - 3 Shear Fire Academy of Hair Design
- SOLDOTNA**
 - 1 Alaska Driving Academy
 - 2 Amundsen Educational Center
- WASILLA**
 - 1 The Beauty School
 - 2 Style Starts Here Hair Academy

NOTE: Institution profiles differentiate zero and null values. Throughout Exhibit 58, zero is used to indicate when zero was specifically reported, while "-" denotes null values.

Alaska Career & Technical Training Providers

NOTE: "*" denote null or suppressed values throughout Exhibit 54.

ANCHORAGE

BETHEL

TOP PROGRAMS:

TUITION & FEES:

FINANCIAL AID:

ACADEMY OF HAIR DESIGN

ahdalaska.com
GRAD RATE: 100% Combination Barber/Hairdresser
 23-2024
93% Esthetician

- 1 Combination Barber/Hairdresser – 21
- 2 Esthetician – 14

\$10,000 Combination Barber/Hairdresser
\$7,800 Esthetics

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

A HEAD OF TIME DESIGN ACADEMY

facebook.com/topofthelinebeautysupply/
GRAD RATE: n/a
 23-2024

- 1 12 Hr Manicuring – 19
- 2 Esthetics – 5
- 3 Non-Chemical Barber – 2

\$1,500 12 Hr Manicuring
\$7,800 Esthetics
\$8,600 Non-Chemical Barber

+ DOLWD (WIOA, Other)
 + Other (Self Pay & Non-Profit Organization)

ALASKA INSTITUTE OF ORIENTAL MEDICINE, ACUPUNCTURE, & MASSAGE THERAPY

akinstitute.com
GRAD RATE: 97%
 23-2024

- 1 750 Hr Massage Therapy Program – 31

\$15,551

+ ACPE (Loans, APS, AEG)
 + DOLWD (DVR, WIOA, STEP Grant)
 + Federal (VA Funding)
 + Other (Self Pay)

ALASKA TRAINING CENTER

alaskacnaprogram.com
GRAD RATE: n/a
 PROGRAM LAUNCHED 2024

- 1 Certified Nurse Aid – .

\$2,070 Certified Nurse Aid

N/A

CENTER FOR EMPLOYMENT EDUCATION

cee-ak.com
GRAD RATE: 77%
 23-2024

- 1 6-Week Basic Driver Training, CDL A – 17

\$10,366

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

HAIR SCIENCE

hairsciencetheschool.com
GRAD RATE: 60%
 23-2024

- 1 Barber – 5

\$11,275

+ DOLWD (Other)
 + Other (Self Pay)

METROASIS ADVANCED TRAINING CENTER

metroasis.com
GRAD RATE: 100% 12 Hr Sanitation
 2023
100% Esthetics
75% Hairdressing

- 1 12 Hr Sanitation – 61
- 2 Esthetics – 18
- 3 Hairdressing – 4

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

+ ACPE (Loans, APS, AEG)
 + Employers
 + Other (Self Pay)

TREND SETTERS SCHOOL OF BEAUTY

trendsettersak.com
GRAD RATE: 100%
 23-2024

- 1 Hairdressing – 18

\$9,500

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

YUUT ELITNAURVIAT: PEOPLE'S LEARNING CENTER

yuut.org
GRAD RATE: 100% Certified Nurse Aid
 23-2024
90% Welding
100% Construction Trades

- 1 Certified Nurse Aid – 18
- 2 Welding – 12
- 3 Construction Trades – 10

\$2,750 Certified Nurse Aid
\$6,500 Welding (per course)
\$6,500 Construction Trades (per course)

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

	TOP PROGRAMS:	TUITION & FEES:	FINANCIAL AID:
FAIRBANKS	INSTITUTE OF MASSAGE THERAPY		
	instituteofmassagefairbanks.abmp.com GRAD RATE: n/a PROGRAM LAUNCHED 2024	1 Massage Therapist — · \$14,500 <i>Massage Therapist</i>	N/A
JUNEAU (+Klawock)	GENERATIONS SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER (GSCLC)		
	generationssoutheast.org GRAD RATE: 80% CDA 23-2024 100% AA Level 1 100% AA Level 2	1 Child Development Assistant (CDA) – 28 \$4,000 CDA \$4,000 AA Level 1 2 Administrative Assistant (AA), Level 1 – 8 \$4,250 AA Level 2 3 Administrative Assistant (AA), Level 2 – 3	+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations + Employers
PALMER (+Anchorage & Fairbanks)	NORTHERN INDUSTRIAL TRAINING		
	nitalaska.com GRAD RATE: 95% PTD 160 23-2024 80% PTD 240 90% Heavy Duty Mechanic	1 Pro Truck Driver (PTD) (160 Hour) – 131 \$9,200 PTD 160 Hour 2 Pro Truck Driver (PTD) (240 Hour) – 42 \$11,500 PTD 240 Hour \$10,000 Heavy Duty Mechanic 3 Heavy Duty Mechanic, Level 1 – 21	+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations + Employers + Federal (VA Funding) + Other (Self Pay)
	MAT-SU CNA TRAINING PROGRAM		
	mat-sucna.com GRAD RATE: n/a PROGRAM LAUNCHED 2024	1 Certified Nurse Aid — · \$2,400 <i>Certified Nurse Aid</i>	N/A
	SHEAR FIRE ACADEMY OF HAIR DESIGN		
	shearfiredesign.net GRAD RATE: 100% 23-2024	1 Hairdressing – 13 \$9,150 <i>Hairdressing</i> 2 Esthetics – 4 \$7,225 <i>Esthetics</i>	+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations + Other (Self Pay)
SOLDOTNA	ALASKA DRIVING ACADEMY		
	alaskadrivingacademy.com GRAD RATE: 97% CDL JUL 2024-NOV 2024 100% HET	1 Entry-Level Driver Training, CDL – 130 \$9,895 CDL \$9,000 HET 2 Heavy Equipment Training, HET – 6	+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations + DOLWD (STEP Grant, Other) + Employers + Other (Self Pay)
	AMUNDSEN EDUCATIONAL CENTER		
	aecak.org GRAD RATE: 50% Res. Const. 23-2024	1 Residential Construction – 6 \$16,900 <i>Residential Construction</i>	+ AK Native/American Indian Organizations + Other (Self Pay, Non-Profit Organization)
WASILLA	THE BEAUTY SCHOOL		
	thebeautyschoolalaska.com GRAD RATE: 100% Esthetics 23-2024 82% Hairdressing 100% Massage Therapy	1 Esthetics – 40 \$8,525 <i>Esthetics</i> 2 Hairdressing – 16 \$15,500 <i>Hairdressing</i> 3 Massage Therapy – 3 \$15,425 <i>Massage Therapy</i>	+ ACPE (Loans, APS) + AK Native/American Indian Organizations + Other (Self Pay)
	STYLE STARTS HERE HAIR ACADEMY		
	fabanich.com GRAD RATE: n/a PROGRAM LAUNCHED 2024	1 Hairdressing — · \$10,000 <i>Hairdressing</i>	N/A

Data Notes

ACPE & The Commission

Commission members were updated April 18, 2025. Current commission members can be found at acpe.alaska.gov/About-Us.

ACPE Solutions:

- 1 • Student Loan Debt Statistics, 8.16.2024 | lendingtree.com/student/student-loan-debt-statistics/.
- 2 • Credible, national average 10-year fixed-rate private student loans by similar FICO scores during week of 4/7/2025 | credible.com/blog/student-loans/student-loan-interest-rates/.
- 3 • Credible, national average 10-year fixed-rate private student loans, 7.90% during week of 4/7/2025 | credible.com/blog/student-loans/student-loan-interest-rates/.
- 4 • Alaska State Education Loans, 4/7/2025 | acpe.alaska.gov/myrate.

Higher Education: Alaska Context

College Prep — Exhibit 1: Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) (education.alaska.gov/assessments/results/results2024). **Exhibit 2:** 2024 APS Outcomes Report (acpe.alaska.gov/Reports).

Standardized Testing — Exhibit 3: Average ACT Scores by State Graduating Class of 2024 (act.org) and Data Visualization Tool (act.org/content/act/en/research/services-and-resources/data-and-visualization/grad-class-database-2024.html). **Exhibit 4:** CollegeBoard, 2024 SAT Suite Annual Reports: State and Total Group State Reports (reports.collegeboard.org/sat-suite-program-results).

HS Grad Rates — 2021-22 ACGR from National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) (nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/d23/tables/dt23_219.46.asp). **Exhibit 5:** Class of 2024 statewide 4-year cohort graduation rates by subgroups, Alaska DEED (education.alaska.gov/data-center#stats).

College Enrollments of HS Grads

— **Exhibit 6:** Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) Digest, IPEDS 2024 Digest, recent high school completers and their enrollment in college, by sex and level of institution (1960 through 2022); National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) Student Tracker Service provided by Research Data Industries (RDI). **Exhibit 7-9:** NSC Student Tracker Service provided by RDI.

Distance Education — Exhibit 10-

11: WICHE.edu, Student Access Programs: By the Numbers AY 2023-24 (wiche.edu/resources/student-access-programs-by-the-numbers-ay-2023-24/). **Exhibit 12:** NC-SARA.org, Incoming Exclusively Distance Education Enrollment & Outgoing Exclusively Distance Education Enrollment, fall 2023 (nc-sara.org/data-dashboards).

Enrollment Trends — Exhibit 13: NSC Student Tracker Service provided by RDI.

Exhibit 14-15: IPEDS 12-month Alaska undergraduate and graduate enrollments, AY2014-23 (nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter).

Exhibit 16: IPEDS 12-month Alaska total enrollments, AY2013-23 (nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter). **Exhibit 17:** IPEDS, total fall Alaska enrollments, 2014-23 (nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter).

Alaska Completions — Exhibit

18-19: IPEDS graduation rates, first-time, full-time within 150% of normal time, 2017-2023 (nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter).

Alaska Credentials — Exhibit

20-23: IPEDS, completions, awards/degrees conferred by program (2020 CIP Classification), 2017-23AY (nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter).

Economic Impact — Exhibit 24:

U.S. Department of Education, College Scorecard, data last updated 8/10/2024 (collegescorecard.ed.gov/data/). **Exhibit 25:** Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development (DOLWD), Alaska Economic Trends Oct 2024 (live.laborstats).

alaska.gov/trends-magazine/2024/October/alaska-industry-and-occupational-projections-for-2022-2032.

Education Attainment — Exhibit 26: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS), 2023 ACS 1-Year Estimates subject table S1501 (data.census.gov).

Higher Education: National Context

HS Grad Enrollments — Exhibit

27-29: Provided by RDI: (1) National - IPEDS, fall 2023, 12-month enrollments (provisional data) and (2) Alaska - NSC Student Tracker Service.

Education Attainment — Exhibit

30: Education attainment of population 25 years and over, US Census Bureau, 2023 ACS 1-Year Estimates, Table S1501 (data.census.gov).

Data Table 1 — (1) Education Attainment, US Census Bureau, 2023 ACS 1-Year Estimates, Table S1501 (data.census.gov). (2) 2023 graduation rates, U.S. Department of Education - NCES, IPEDS Trend Generator, Graduation and Retention Rates (nces.ed.gov/ipeds/trendgenerator/).

Postsecondary Graduation Rate

— **Exhibit 31-33:** 2023 graduation rates, U.S. Department of Education - NCES, IPEDS Trend Generator, Graduation and Retention Rates (nces.ed.gov/ipeds/trendgenerator/).

Exhibit 34: (1) Full time equivalent (FTE) enrollments, State of Higher Education Executive Officers Association (SHEEO) – State Higher Education Finance (SHEF) FY23 (sheeo.org); (2) 2023 state populations, US Census Bureau (census.gov/data/tables/time-series/demo/popest/2020s-state-total.html#v2023).

Data Table 2 — (1) SHEEO–SHEF FY23 (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 2022-23, in-state, public 4-year and 2-year, NCES Table 330.20 (nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/current_tables.asp). (3) Student Loan Debt by State, 10/15/2025, educationdata.org/student-loan-debt-by-state.

Alaska vs National Metrics

— **Exhibit 35:** SHEEO–SHEF FY23, Student's share of cost (net tuition as a percent of revenues), 2023, Table 4.1 and Table 4.2 (sheeo.org). **Exhibit 36:** SHEEO–SHEF FY23, appropriations per FTE student, 2022-23, Table 3.3 (sheeo.org). **Exhibit 37:** SHEEO–SHEF FY23, percent change in FTE enrollment, 1-Year, 2022-23, Table 3.1 (sheeo.org). **Exhibit 38:** Income inequality, Household Income in States and Metropolitan Areas: 2023 - American Community Survey Briefs, September 2024, Table 1 (census.gov/library/publications/2024/acs/acsbr-023.html). NOTE: The Gini coefficient measures income distribution across a population, ranging from 0 (perfect equality, where everyone has the same income) to 1 (perfect inequality). **Exhibit 39:** Median household income, Median Household Income in the Past 12 Months (In 2023 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars), US Census Bureau, Table S1903 (data.census.gov). **Exhibit 40:** Cost of living (2023 regional price parties, US = 100), Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), US Department of Commerce, current release: Dec 12 2024, (bea.gov/data/prices-inflation/regional-price-parties-state-and-metro-area). **Exhibit 41:** Poverty rates, US Census Bureau, 2023 ACS 1-Year Estimates, Table S1701 (data.census.gov). **Exhibit 42:** 2024 college acceptance rates, IPEDS data via Univstats, college statistics by states, downloaded 12/2024 (univstats.com/states/). **Exhibit 43:** 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 44:** Average tuition and required fees, in-state, public 4-year, NCES Table 330.20 (nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/current_tables.asp). **Exhibit 45:** Student Loan Debt by State, 10/15/2025 (educationdata.org/student-loan-debt-by-state).

Financial Aid & Student Outcomes

Exhibit 46: 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), FY24, Topic: Financial Aid, Table 1.37: average amount of financial aid paid to UA Scholars in aid year 2023-24, updated 2/21/2024 (alaska.edu/ir/uainreview/).

AEG Outcomes — Exhibit 47: AEG stats, 2024 award year breakdown, internal ACPE data. **Exhibit 48:** UAR FY24: (1) Table 1.53 (updated 2/21/2024). (2) Table 5: Degrees, Certificates and Endorsements Awarded by Level, Race, and Ethnicity FY24, Cont. (updated 10/11/2024). (3) Table 12: Average Amount of financial aid Paid to AEG Recipients in Aid Year 2023-24, Cont. (updated 10/11/2024) (alaska.edu/ir/uainreview/).

APS Outcomes — Exhibit 49-51: 2024 APS Outcomes Report (acpe.alaska.gov/reports); Internal ACPE data/surveys.

Alaska Postsecondary Institution Profiles

Exhibit 52: Alaska postsecondary institution profiles for Alaska Bible College, Alaska Career College, Alaska Christian College, APU, AVTEC, IIsagvik College, UAA, UAF, and UAS were curated from IPEDS (nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter/). Provisional data were primarily referenced (final release data used when available):

- (1) **Demographic Breakdown**, Fall 2023 Enrollments: Age (undergraduates), Gender (all students), Race/Ethnicity (all students).
- (2) **Enrollment total, undergraduate/**

graduate, full-time/part-time, with some distance education, nonresident, Fall 2023 Enrollments. (3) **Tuition and fees**, published tuition and fees, price of attendance of full-time, first-time undergraduate students, 2023-24. (4) **Percent and amount of student aid to undergraduates**, Student Financial Aid and Net Price (2022-23): 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 (2017 cohort)**, Frequently used/Derived variables, Fall 2023: 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 2023. (6) **Awards**, Completions, awards/degrees conferred, first major grand total (2023). (7) **Top Programs**, Completions, awards/degrees conferred, first major grand total (2023). 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 satellite campus' were provided via the 2025 Alaska Higher Education Almanac ACPE survey (sent Dec, 2024). Data fields either not reported in IPEDS or not supplied directly by the institution are denoted "*". **Exhibit 53-54: Other Alaska Collegiate Institutions and Alaska Career and Technical Training Providers** profile data was curated via ACPE's 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



Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS)

Merit-based scholarship for Alaska high school graduates.

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

ACPE Education Loans

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

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ACPE Education Refinance Loan

Delivering cost-savings through refinancing education loans.

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Institutional Authorization



ACPE Success Center

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

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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



AFCEI: 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



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



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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