University of Alaska Fairbanks
Bristol Bay Campus
“Empowering Our Communities Promoting Self-Sufficiency”
Bristol Bay Campus
Mission Statement

The Bristol Bay Campus, College of Rural Alaska and Community Development of the University of Alaska Fairbanks, seeks to provide educational opportunities through which Alaskans, particularly Alaska Natives and rural residents, are empowered to effect social and economic changes in their communities as well as to protect and enrich the quality of their lives and culture.
Bristol Bay Campus Service Area

- BBC serves an area of 55,000 square miles.
- 31 communities
- Main campus located in Dillingham with outreach campuses in King Salmon and Togiak
Main campus 10,000 square feet
Eight faculty
At least 50 adjunct per semester
15 Staff members
Newly remodeled with a new vocational center and environmental lab.
Clinical space for new nursing program is being sought.
Long-Term Impacts for our communities

- Villages will move into the 21st century while maintaining cultural integrity.
- Unskilled workers will be contributing members of the broader community while respecting their subsistence way of life.
Sowing the Seeds: Reaping Community Benefits in Bristol Bay

• Goal 1:
  Diversity employment opportunities for economic and community development in rural isolated villages for local residents by developing skills for communities as identified in their comprehensive community planning documents.

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• Goal 2:
  Increase business opportunities for economic and community development for local residents in rural isolated villages by providing educational training and technical assistance.
UAF-Bristol Bay Campus
Successful Partnerships

• Some of the Campuses partnerships include:
  • Bristol Bay Native Corporation
  • Alaska Works
  • CH2MHIll
  • Southwest Alaska Vocational Education Center
  • Bristol Bay Housing Authority
  • Bristol Bay Native Association
Partnerships

- Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation
- Nushagak-Mulchatna/Wood-Tikchik Land Trust
- Trout Unlimited
- Ekwok Lodge
- Agnew::Beck Consulting
- Peter Pan Seafood
- State of Alaska JOBS/Alaska Department of Labor
- and local village/tribal councils
Collaboration

• Meeting with Bristol Industries to determine education and training needs for Bristol Bay shareholders and residents.
Basic Office Training

- Partnered with BBNC, BBEDC, BBNA and State of Alaska: Department of Labor
- 9 completed one week training
- Students came from:
  - Aleknagik, Dillingham, Togiak, Ekwok, Manokotak and New Stuyahok
- 2 secured full time employment

2009 Basic Office Training
Nushagak River Guiding

• Partnership with
• BBNC, Ekwok Lodge, Trout Unlimited, Nushagak-Mulchatna/Wood Tikchik Land Trust, Nunamta Aulukestai and Agnew::Beck Consulting

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Nushagak River Guiding

- 12 youth from the surrounding Bristol Bay Villages participated
- 1 student received US Coast Guard license to become an official guide from the small Yupik community of New Stuyahok

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Nushagak River guiding

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• Bristol Bay Campus provided increased opportunities for vocational education. Training in Gas Arc Welding, Pipefittings, Construction, and Wood-structure Construction are some of the opportunities provided to rural residents.
Collaboration with CH2MILL and SAVEC

- Spring 2009
- 33 students received construction training at SAVEC receiving college credit
- At least 20 participants were offered employment and can earn $50,000.00 annually working on the North Slope.

Picture courtesy of UAF-Bristol Bay Campus- New Stuyahok carpentry class
Village Based Classes
Spring Building Maintenance 2008

2 participants work full time as a result of receiving building maintenance training opportunity.
Welding
Welder’s Helper Training

Alaska Works, Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 375 and Bristol Bay Native Association partnership
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Welding classes

“We need experience to work in areas, all over. So get your training now.”       Moxie Wyagon  New Stuyahok, Alaska
Spring 2008 Welding
Welding

- High School Welding Spring 2009
- Bike racks welded and donated to City of Dillingham and BBEDC
- Purchased welding equipment for two local high schools
Village-based classes

• Collaboration with Stuyahok Limited and Traditional Council led to building a storage unit for Panarquukak

• Village Store
Carpentry class
Traditional carving
Traditional Crafts:

Carving

- Maximum Achievement Program High School Student
- Took several traditional classes through UAF-Bristol Bay Campus
- Entrepreneur-sells own arts and crafts as a result of HUD sponsored classes
Traditional Crafts:

- Dillingham High School Student
- Took several traditional classes through UAF-Bristol Bay Bay Campus
- Secured employment at the museum summer of 2009 as a result of taking HUD sponsored traditional classes
Traditional Crafts: Beading
Traditional Beading
Traditional Skin Sewing
Traditional Crafts: Grass Basket Weaving
Arts and Crafts Fair

- Arts and crafts fair
- Classes geared towards establishing small business
- Taught various marketing classes
Creation of brochures
Village based entrepreneurship

- Since Fall 2009 have taught in these communities:
  - New Stuyahok, Koliganek, Manokotak and Togiak (44 students)
- Goal: to establish a micro enterprise in a rural setting. One small Yupik village established a small business
Passive Standard House Model

- Faculty working on community issues to lower high cost of energy
Best Practices

• Communication: Important to talk to your HUD program contact.

• Always ask your question early.

• Communicate often and early prior to reporting submission. Ask questions about the logic model and the new reporting forms for clarification.
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