CATALOG ADDENDUM

Additional programs
The following graduate certificate programs, which will be offered starting summer 2020, were approved by the chancellor after the 2019-2020 catalog was published:

- Arctic Security (http://catalog.uaf.edu/graduate/graduate-degree-programs/arctic-security/), Graduate Certificate (approved October 2019) offered by the School of Management.
- Business Continuity (http://catalog.uaf.edu/graduate/graduate-degree-programs/business-continuity/), Graduate Certificate (approved October 2019) offered by the School of Management.
- Cybersecurity Management (http://catalog.uaf.edu/graduate/graduate-degree-programs/cybersecurity-management/), Graduate Certificate (approved November 2019) offered by the School of Management.

Spring and summer 2020 temporary policy changes
All in-person classes were moved online for the second half of the spring 2020 semester and for the entirety of summer 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. UAF also made a number of temporary policy changes to accommodate students during this time.

DEFERRED (DF) GRADES
If a spring 2020 course cannot be converted to distance delivery or if a student cannot complete a course due to the change to distance delivery, faculty are asked to submit a grade of DF (Deferred). DF grades demonstrate that the inability to complete the course is on the part of the instructor or institution rather than the student. If a student in an undergraduate course does not complete the remaining course work in two years, the DF will turn into a W. If a grade of DF assigned to a student in a graduate course is not completed within two years, the DF grade will remain on the student’s transcript indefinitely.

CREDIT/NO-CREDIT
All students may elect a Credit/No-Credit grade option (http://catalog.uaf.edu/academics-regulations/grading-options/) for any or all of their spring 2020 or summer 2020 courses until the last day of instruction published in the academic calendar (http://catalog.uaf.edu/calendar/). For spring and summer 2020 courses all non-degree seeking, undergraduate, and graduate students may receive an unlimited number of Credit/No-Credit grades. A Credit grade given in spring or summer 2020 will count for prerequisites, General Education, degree, minor, and major requirements.

Instructors will not know which students have elected the Credit/No-Credit option and will submit a grade according to the course’s syllabus. Credit for the course is awarded if the student’s performance is at the C- grade or higher in undergraduate courses or a B grade or higher for graduate courses. If their performance falls below that level, the course will be recorded permanently on the student’s transcript as No Credit (NC). NC has no impact on the student’s grade point average.

WITHDRAWALS AND REFUNDS
The spring 2020 deadline for student- and faculty-initiated withdrawals, originally March 27, was extended until April 10. The academic calendar (http://catalog.uaf.edu/calendar/) was updated accordingly.

Students who withdraw from a course or courses will automatically receive 100% credit for the spring 2020 tuition and fees that they can apply to another UAF course no later than spring 2021. If it is impossible to retake the course or to use the credit for a different course, students may appeal for a refund by filling out the COVID-19 Request for Exception Appeal form (https://uaf.edu/bursar/forms.php#students).

ACADEMIC STANDING
UAF’s regular rules on academic standing (http://catalog.uaf.edu/academics-regulations/academic-standards/) have been suspended for spring 2020 and summer 2020.

Honors will continue to be posted (dean’s list, chancellor’s list), but new negative standings will not (Academic Warning, Probation, Disqualification). Students will retain their current standing until the end of fall 2020 unless their performance improves their standing. For example, a student who is already on Probation may be changed to Good Standing based on their performance in spring or summer 2020, but will not be changed to Academically Disqualified.

CHANGES TO ADMISSIONS POLICIES AND PLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS
Revised admission criteria for first-year students: summer and fall 2020
These revisions are in light of school closures and the inability for many students to take the ACT or SAT, obtain transcripts or receive final grades on a 4.0 scale (e.g. pass/not pass).

High school students graduating spring 2020 may submit an unofficial transcript reflecting the high school core curriculum taken through the first semester of their senior year. The second semester will not be evaluated for admission.

Students will be evaluated on the following minimum requirements:

1. 16-credit high school core curriculum (see High School Entrance Requirements (http://catalog.uaf.edu/getting-started/admission-bachelors-degree/#HighSchool)) with a GPA of at least 2.5 and
2. have a cumulative GPA of 2.5. ACT or SAT score is waived*

Students who have not met the minimum requirements for admission to a baccalaureate degree program will be admitted to pre-major in general studies.

Students unable to submit a transcript (official or unofficial) will be admitted to pre-major in general studies.

Students admitted to the pre-major in general studies will be changed to major status when they are in good standing and have completed 14 credits at the 100 level or above with a C (2.0) average or higher; 9 of the 14 credits must satisfy the general education requirements.

* Due to exam cancellations and lack of proctored testing spaces nationwide, the ACT/SAT admission requirement will be waived for summer 2020 and fall 2020.
Revised admission criteria for transfer students: summer and fall 2020

A transfer student is defined as an applicant who has been a degree student at any other institution prior to the semester applied for.

Students with more than 30 university semester credit hours must only submit prior college transcript(s).

Students with less than 30 semester credits must also submit high school transcripts (unofficial or official) and test scores*, if taken, in addition to their college transcripts, and will be evaluated based on all three.

Transfer students are eligible for admission to a bachelor’s program if they have a 2.0 GPA in their previous course work and left their previous institution(s) in good standing. If applying to a technical or scientific program, students may need to present a higher grade average and proof that they have completed appropriate background courses before they will be admitted. Admission status for students who have attended an unaccredited postsecondary institution will be determined on an individual basis. See Transferring Credits (http://catalog.uaf.edu/getting-started/transferring-credits/) for more information.

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Corrections

October 2020: An error was corrected in the mathematics requirements for a Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (http://catalog.uaf.edu/bachelors/summary-of-bachelors-degree-reqs/#bachelorofappliedartsandsciencestext).