

ATHLETICS

The National Collegiate Athletic Association is the primary association that governs and controls intercollegiate athletics on the national level. The Alaska Nanook athletic program is a multidivisional member of the NCAA, with 10 teams competing at the Division I and Division II levels, including men's and women's basketball, men's and women's cross country, men's and women's Nordic skiing, coed rifle, women's volleyball, women's swimming, and men's ice hockey. For intercollegiate athletics information, call 907-474-6665 or visit <http://www.alaskananooks.com>.

The Alaska Nanooks have conference affiliations with the Great Northwest Athletic Conference, Western Collegiate Hockey Association, Rocky Mountain Intercollegiate Ski Association, and Pacific Collegiate Swim and Dive Conference. The 10-time NCAA champion Alaska Nanook rifle team competes in the Patriot Rifle Conference.

The Ernest N. Patty Center, home of the Alaska Nanook teams, was completed in 1963 and houses a 1,650-seat gymnasium, a 25-yard swimming pool, courts for handball, squash and racquetball, a varsity weight room, a rifle range, offices, and locker rooms with saunas. In 1979, the 1,300-seat Patty Ice Arena was built to the west of the Patty Center. The Alaska Nanook men's hockey team practices at the Patty Ice Arena and also practices and competes off campus at the 4,595-seat Carlson Center.