

# Graduate Programs

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## Overview

Graduate School (<http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/graduateschool/>)  
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Graduate education is an integral part of the University of Alaska Anchorage and is coordinated through the Graduate School. The dean of the Graduate School has responsibility for leadership and oversight of graduate programs.

The university offers graduate certificates, master's degrees and doctoral degrees. Students may also pursue graduate studies at UAA that apply toward doctoral degrees offered by other institutions. Some or all coursework and research may be completed at UAA while the doctoral degree is granted by another university.

Students who have completed UAA graduate programs possess the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed in furthering their education and to excel in their chosen professions. Whether the degree is required for advancement, personal and professional growth, or for other goals, students may expect the challenges and rewards of high quality graduate education.

Upon successful completion of their graduate programs, students will have demonstrated mastery of their disciplines and will have participated in independent scholarship. Appropriate exit requirements allow students to express the knowledge they have acquired in formats designed for their respective programs. For expected student outcomes in graduate programs, please see individual program listings.

To ensure the most beneficial educational experience, students' academic preparation and likelihood of success in their programs are carefully assessed and validated. Admission requirements provide an opportunity for students to document their credentials and demonstrate readiness for graduate studies. If an entrance examination is required, the nature of that examination is determined by the appropriate discipline. As they progress in their studies, students can expect discipline-specific advising from mentors in their programs.

Graduate students are subject to relevant policies contained in the complete UAA Catalog, as well as individual program requirements listed in this catalog and in graduate student handbooks developed by those graduate programs.