AAS Policies

Multiple Associate Degrees or Concurrent Majors

Associate degree-seeking students may graduate (during the same semester) with two degrees, provided they have applied to and been accepted in both degree programs. (An Associate of Applied Science and Associate of Arts is an example.) Because the Associate of Arts is intended to provide a broad education and includes no major specialty, students may earn only one AA degree.

Students must submit a separate Application for Admission for each degree they expect to receive. Admission forms are available from the Office of Admissions (http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/admissions).

Students seeking a second associate degree must be admitted to the program and must complete the General University Requirements for that degree, the degree requirements for both programs, and at least 12 resident credits earned after the posting of the primary degree. Students seeking both an associate degree and a baccalaureate degree must be admitted to both programs (or have completed one program) and must complete the General University Requirements and degree-specific requirements for both degrees.

Students may elect to graduate under the requirements of any catalog in effect (http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/academicpoliciesprocesses/academicstandardsregulations/catalogyear) during the five years after formal acceptance to the program.

Transfer Students

Students who have received a baccalaureate degree from another regionally accredited college or university and who want to obtain an associate degree from UAA must:

1. Meet program admission requirements;
2. Complete the General University Requirements but not the General Education Requirements or General Course Requirements; and
3. Complete the major program requirements.

Double Majors for AAS Programs

Associate of Applied Science degrees are intended to provide specialized education. Therefore, they do include a major specialty and students may earn more than one AAS.

Associate of Applied Science degree-seeking students may apply to graduate (during the same semester) with two majors. For example, a student may select two areas from the approved majors within the AAS degree program (such as Welding and Automotive Technology).

Once formally admitted, students may add a second major through the Change of Major degree process. Forms are available on the Office of the Registrar's website (http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/records/registrarforms.cfm). Students must satisfy the General University Requirements, the General Course Requirements and both sets of major requirements.

Students may elect to graduate under the requirements of any catalog in effect (http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/academicpoliciesprocesses/academicstandardsregulations/catalogyear) during the five years after formal acceptance to the program.

A double major is not applicable to the Associate of Arts degree.