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Introduction
The University of Alaska Southeast (UAS) is a dynamic, student-focused regional university with academic and workforce development programs that serve both Southeast Alaska and communities across the State of Alaska. UAS has nearly 4000 students and is one of three main academic units within the University of Alaska system. The largest campus is located in Alaska’s state capital of Juneau, which has a population of 32,000. Two community campuses are located in Ketchikan (population 13,600) and Sitka (population 8,900). UAS’ student population includes over forty percent enrolled in UAS programs at a distance using a robust array of eLearning/online resources.

UAS Mission & Core Themes
The mission of UAS is student learning enhanced by faculty scholarship, undergraduate research and creative activities, community engagement, and the cultures and environment of Southeast Alaska. UAS’ vision is to be recognized as a destination of choice for students seeking excellent academic programs and engaging learning opportunities that integrate the environment and cultures of Southeast Alaska. Programs offered at UAS range from certificates and associate-level degrees—typically offered by community colleges—to baccalaureate and Masters degrees. As part of its accreditation through the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), UAS has identified four core themes that guide its programs, plans, and priorities: Student Success; Teaching and Learning; Community Engagement; and Research and Creative Expression.

MISSION
The mission of the University of Alaska Southeast is student learning enhanced by faculty scholarship, undergraduate research and creative activities, community engagement, and the cultures and environment of Southeast Alaska.

CORE THEMES
Student Success
Teaching and Learning
Community Engagement
Research and Creative Expression

SDI THEMES
Improve Student Achievement
Enhance K-12 Partnerships
Increase Industry Partnerships
Expand Research and Development
Improve Accountability to Alaskans
Looking Forward: The UAS Campus Master Plan 2012

This University of Alaska Southeast 2012 Campus Master Plan is derived from the UAS mission and four core themes, its vision, and the UA Statewide Strategic Direction Initiative (SDI) themes. The Plan guides and shapes the physical environment of all three UAS campuses and the services they provide. It builds on the exceptional physical and cultural environments of Southeast Alaska; a region of abundant natural resources, resilient communities, and great beauty. The region’s economy today is centered on fishing, mining, tourism, and government employment. It is a region of abundant natural resources, resilient communities, and great beauty.

This plan focuses on distinctive campus environments in the Juneau, Ketchikan, and Sitka campuses. While all three campuses are part of one integrated regional university, each campus has a distinct role in serving these relatively-remote coastal communities. Juneau is the only campus with student housing. As part of their community campus responsibilities, Sitka and Ketchikan campuses play a prominent role in providing quality eLearning/online degree programs, such as the Bachelor of Liberal Arts, Associate of Arts, and Associate of Applied Science in Health Information Management. They also serve their communities with locally-based courses in the arts, sciences, and humanities.

Importantly, each campus is engaged in workforce development that meets the needs of Southeast Alaska’s economy—to include programs like the Juneau-based Center for Mine Training and Construction and Diesel Technologies, Ketchikan’s Marine Transportation program, or Sitka’s Fisheries Technology and Law Enforcement programs. Each of these workforce programs has special facilities needs that are addressed in this Plan. Many of these programs are offered in partnership with business, industry, schools, and governments—partnerships that leverage fiscal and human resources in support of shared goals.

Compliance with UA Board of Regents’ Master Planning Policy

One: Projected Enrollment - Section 3
Two: Land Acquisition and Disposal - Section 2
Three: Infrastructure and Utilities - Section 2 and 4
Four: Demolition - Section 2
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Eleven: Community Land Use Planning - Section 2
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Alignment Of Campus Master Plan With UAS Core Themes

This Plan is designed with the UAS mission and core themes clearly in mind. It is a dynamic document that engages the broader UAS community in identification of existing and anticipated conditions in light of changing local, regional, and statewide education and training needs. As a major planning tool for future campus development, it invites “continuous improvement” in responding quickly and flexibly to emerging needs and opportunities. The Plan will be used in guiding, developing, and evaluating capital funding needs, designing new facilities and re-purposing those facilities already in place, and in enhancing the built and natural campus environments.

1) STUDENT SUCCESS
- Design attractive and inviting facilities to enhance student retention and success
- Create campus spaces that integrate active learning, engaged teaching, and community wellness
- Increase opportunities for student activities, both indoor and outdoor
- Provide spaces for group discussion, study, and gatherings associated with meals
- Design centrally-located student housing in Juneau to enhance student life and community engagement
- Provide prominent spaces highlighting student accomplishments and success
- Showcase the environmental assets of each campus (views, open space, trails)
- Provide accessible services for campus-based, commuter, and online students

2) TEACHING AND LEARNING
- Design facilities that enhance flexible delivery of eLearning and blended/hybrid programs
- Provide quality facilities that enhance distinctive UAS programs and assets
- Create inviting interior spaces that encourage and promote a sense of campus community
- Consolidate dispersed facilities into integrated academic neighborhoods
- Design and construct facilities that promote eLearning and active, engaged learning
- Integrate cultures and environments of Southeast Alaska into facility and landscape design

3) COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
- Design facilities with attention to safety and security for all members of the UAS community
- Construct facilities that advance UAS’ role as major economic contributor in SE Alaska
- Develop venues for community events that engage university and broader communities
- Share facilities with community partners in support of shared vision and goals
- Capitalize on proximity of UAS facilities to adjacent high schools/educational partners
- Create a distinctive UAS identity and identifiable ‘front door’ for each campus
- Integrate discrete campus facilities by use of consistent signage, media, and graphic elements
- Support construction of shared trails and open space adjacent to UAS campuses

4) RESEARCH & CREATIVE EXPRESSION
- Provide integrated teaching/research facilities capitalizing on UAS natural environment
- Create spaces to showcase undergraduate research and creative expression
- Design science/research labs to maximize integration of teaching and research
- Shift Natural Sciences Research Lab facilities to Juneau’s Auke Lake Campus
- Design flexible facilities to allow quick response to evolving research/teaching needs
Introduction

The University of Alaska Southeast (UAS) is a regional university in the University of Alaska System. Its largest campus is located in Juneau (Auke Lake Campus) and it has extended campuses in downtown Juneau, Sitka and Ketchikan.

The Juneau Campus was created in 1980 when Juneau–Douglas Community College (founded 1956) and the Southeastern Senior College (est. 1972) were merged, forming the University of Alaska Juneau. In 1987 the University of Alaska Southeast was created when it was restructured to include the then Sitka Community College (founded 1962) and the Ketchikan Community College (founded 1954).

The mission of UAS is student learning enhanced by faculty scholarship, undergraduate research and creative activities, community engagement, and the cultures and environment of Southeast Alaska.

Southeast Alaska Region

The campuses of UAS are located within a unique and valuable resource, the Tongass National Forest. Tongass National Forest covers most of Southeast Alaska. It is the largest national forest with 16.9 million acres.

Southeast Alaska Climate

The University of Alaska Southeast is situated in a temperate rainforest. Precipitation can range anywhere from 55 - 90 inches per year. The number of days with measurable precipitation is 222—with spring being the driest time of year and September and October being the wettest. Temperatures in January average 21°F and highs during winter are frequently above 32°F.
Juneau

Location and Context

Juneau is Alaska's capital city and is the largest city and borough in Southeast Alaska (population 31,275). It is nestled between the forested mountains and icefields of the Tongass National Forest and the rich marine waters of Alaska’s Inside Passage. Juneau and northern SE Alaska are the ancestral home of the Tlingit people; they continue to be a significant part of the region’s population today. Gold was discovered in the late 19th century near the present-day city and remains a part of the region’s economic life, with two major underground mines located nearby. Other economic drivers in Juneau include tourism, fisheries, government, and the city’s role as a retail and service center for northern SE Alaska.

The Juneau Campus is the largest of the three within the University of Alaska Southeast, and is the only campus with student housing. Programs include those focusing on workforce development (certificates, occupational endorsements, workforce credentials, non-credit) along with associate, baccalaureate, and masters degrees. Faculty teach in programs offered face-to-face in classrooms, via eLearning (online), and in a variety of hybrid-blended delivery modes. Within the University of Alaska System, Juneau offers special opportunities in the liberal arts, marine biology, environmental sciences, teacher education, accounting, and power technologies. Juneau also houses the UAS Center for Mine Training—a growing center for underground mine training.

UAS Juneau enjoys active partnerships with a host of business, industry, and community partners, including Juneau Economic Development Council (JEDC), Juneau Chamber of Commerce, Sealaska Heritage Institute, Juneau School District, Bartlett Memorial Hospital, Hecla/Greens Creek Mining Company, City and Borough of Juneau, Coeur Alaska/Kensington Mine, Alaska Marine Highway System, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, and many more.

Juneau Auke Lake Campus:

The Auke Lake Campus is located in a picturesque setting 13 miles from downtown Juneau on Auke Lake, in the traditional territory of the Auke Kwan people. The word “Auke” comes from the Tlingit word meaning “small lake.” The campus is situated near Auke Bay, providing access to both the freshwater lake and rich marine and intertidal waters. The campus property comprises 201 acres of which approximately 25% is fully developed. Student housing is located approximately 3 miles away from the campus core.

Technical Education Center:

The UAS Technical Education Center (TEC) is located at 1415 Harbor Way in downtown Juneau across from Juneau Douglas High School. The TEC is comprised of two buildings that house programs in the School of Career Education. It includes the UAS Center for Mine Training along with programs in construction technology, power technologies (diesel/auto/marine), and welding. The proximity of the TEC to the nearby high school provides opportunities for shared use of facilities and early-college career pathways for high school students taking college courses. A portion of the TEC site is leased to the City and Borough of Juneau as a commercial haul-out for marine vessels. The lease for this purpose extends to 2021.

Bill Ray Center:

The UAS Bill Ray Center is a single two-story building located in downtown Juneau at 1108 F Street—one block east of Egan Drive and a few blocks west of the state’s capitol building. The building currently is used primarily by the School of Career Education for health sciences programs, including a Nursing lab and classroom utilized by the University of Alaska Anchorage. Other programs using the building on a regular basis include marine transportation, and mine safety training. The UAF Cooperative Extension Service currently leases space in the building.
Land Use
The Land Use diagrams illustrate the extent of the campus and outlines the various land uses.

Juneau Auke Lake Campus
The campus core (1) is concentrated in an area adjacent to Auke Lake. Additional campus buildings/areas include Rec Center (2), Student Housing (3), BAS (4), Anderson (5), and NSRL (not pictured).
A diverse number of neighbors surround campus:
- Residential areas (6) to the north and pockets along Glacier Highway.
- Specialty use areas include USFS Juneau Forestry Sciences Lab (7) and NOAA (8)
- Commercial Areas include Bus Depot and a zone west along Glacier Highway (9), Chapel-by-the-Lake (10) and CBJ Statter Harbor (11)
- Institutional areas include Auke Bay Elementary School (12)
- Designated park areas include CBJ Wayside and areas surrounding Auke Creek
- A neighborhood group representing Auke Bay is looking for ways to create a higher density “village” with more pedestrian features and mixed use retail and housing.

Juneau Downtown
Bill Ray Center (1) and TEC (2) are located in a commercial/retail corridor (3) along Egan Drive, with an adjacent institutional zone that is home to Juneau-Douglas High School (4), community pool (5), Alternative High School (6) and Harborview Elementary (7). Housing (8), and Evergreen Cemetery (9) are located to the east. CBJ Aurora Harbor (10) and CBJ Harris Harbor (11) are located to the west.

Property Acquisition
Proposed Sites for Acquisition
The purchase of residential properties west of Glacier Highway creates a seamless parcel that would enable building opportunities, and allows consistent strategies to promote visibility and campus presence. Properties should be purchased as they become available.
Commercial Properties north of Mendenhall Loop Road are desirable building locations due to proximity to campus entry and Rec Center. These parcels are relatively flat and previously developed enabling larger facilities.

Potential Forest Service Lease/Partnership
Continue to foster synergies with Forest Service. Opportunities at this parcel include signage for main campus entry.

Chapel-by-the-Lake Lease/Partnership
Continue to foster relationship with Chapel-by-the-Lake shared parking lot arrangement.
Facilities - Building Use

The Building Use diagrams illustrate the existing campus buildings in terms of their primary building use: academic, student support, study, administrative, recreation, facility support, student housing. On the smaller campuses, building use is approximately diagrammed within the buildings, treating them as a "campus within a building." The intent of the diagram is to understand the building use patterns that currently exist on each campus.

Academic

Academic buildings are primarily located at the campus core on Juneau Auke Lake campus. The Anderson Science Building is located on Auke Bay to enable salt water research. NSRL houses additional lab space and is located south of campus.

Student Support

Student support spaces are distributed across the across Juneau Auke Lake, with the main space on the campus core in Mournant, as well as the Lodge located in the north student housing precinct. The bookstore is located west of the campus core in BAS on Glacier Highway.

Administrative

Administrative space for the Juneau campuses is partially shared between the three campuses and located primarily on Auke Lake campus, though the Technology Education Center and Bill Ray do have additional spaces to support program-specific functions at their individual locations as well.

Recreation

Recreation space is currently limited to the Recreation Center on Juneau Auke Lake campus, which is a shared space with the Alaska US Army National Guard, as well as two outdoor pavilions, also on Auke Lake campus.

Facility Support

Facility Services is a conglomeration of structures with access of Glacier Highway about 50 yards past the service entrance. The campus central computer / IT services is housed in Whitehead.

Student Housing

Juneau Auke Lake is the only campus that provides on-campus housing. Student housing is located off Mendenhall Loop Road, about 5 mile drive from the main campus entry. Current student housing is comprised of a freshman residence hall, seven buildings containing student apartments and a student lodge. Student apartments have cooking facilities. Students in the freshman residence hall purchase meal cards for meals at the Mourant Cafeteria.
Facilities - Building Condition

The Building Condition diagrams illustrate assessment recommendations for campus facilities. The recommendations were developed with current input from Facilities Services. Assessment recommendations include five designations: Maintenance and Repair, Renewal, Major Revitalization, Adaptive Reuse, Relocation or Demolition.

Renewal

Student Apartments in the upper campus housing precinct are currently undergoing renewal upgrades.

Major Revitalization

Novatney, Whitehead, Soboleff, and Hendrickson are identified for infrastructure upgrades.

Adaptive Reuse

Mourant and Banfield are under consideration to convert to new uses. Mourant, originally built as an administrative building, could be better served/easily converted from student dining facilities back to administrative. Banfield will be converted from underclassmen residence hall to upperclassmen apartments pending the construction of a new student residence hall. Hendrickson annexes may be repurposed.

Relocation or Demolition

Buildings that are identified for demolition include the Soboleff Annex and Facilities Services Buildings. Soboleff, a temporary modular building, has long since surpassed its intended life span. Its removal also enables a better and higher use for the land adjacent to Auke Lake. The Facilities Services building (Stover) is also identified for future demolition. Vehicular access to the site is difficult because of a sharp turn into a steep driveway. The realignment work proposed by the DOT will virtually cut off the existing access route.
Green Space

Green space is delineated through the following categories: outdoor gathering, campus greenway, informal lawn/clearing, wooded area, recreation, and waterfront zone.

Outdoor Gathering

Outdoor Gathering spaces consist of formal or informal areas where the campus community gathers. The spaces are generally defined by building facades and paved area with maintained landscape plantings, and often include outdoor art and heritage. Juneau Auke Lake campus has two primary outdoor gathering spaces—the gathering area in front of the Rec building, and the courtyard east of Egan Library and Classroom Wing.

Campus Greenway

Based on recommendations from the previous master plan, Juneau Auke Lake campus is nearing the completion of the first phase the Campus Greenway construction. The project included closing Auke Way through the campus core and converting the road to a pedestrian greenway.

Wooded Area

Dense woods are a defining characteristic of campus.

Grassy Areas

Small areas adjacent to building sites within the campus core are maintained as open grass covered clearings. These areas support gathering spaces as well as create open views.

Waterfront Zone

The proximity to the water is another defining characteristic of all campuses. Currently a strong physical or visual connection to the water does not consistently exist, but zones are identified where the opportunity exists to create a meaningful connection.

Campus Pedestrian Corridor

Pedestrian corridors are the primary route used by the campus community, and connect parking, building and open spaces. Corridors connect the campus core with outlying campus buildings through a combination of wide pathways through the wooded areas and traditional sidewalks. These routes are designed to a specific width to address snow removal with defined snow storage areas.

Recreation

Recreation areas include both passive and active recreation. A small recreational area is located at the student housing. Additional recreation space includes trails, the dock and access to the lake, wayside rest area, kayaking, and skiing.

Trail

With the recent completion of the Auke Creek Crossing, the pedestrian route on campus connects pedestrians to the “wayside” (CBU maintained access launch ramp to Auke Lake) and further on to the Auke Lake Trail that extends 1 mile along Auke Lake. Additional informal recreational trails are located behind the rec center and Anderson.
**Proposed DOT Re-Alignment**

Alaska Department of Transportation is planning several road improvements to Glacier Highway, and Mendenhall Loop Road. Improvements include realigning Glacier Highway at the curve southwest of UAS property, and a roundabout at the intersection of Glacier Highway and Mendenhall Loop Road, as well as creating turning lanes at critical cross streets and creating sidewalks along the highway and road.

**Parking**

Parking on Juneau’s Auke Lake Campus is located primarily at the campus core. These lots are generously sized and can be better utilized as potential building sites. Parking is also shared with Chapel-by-the-Lake. The housing precinct and rec center have ample parking. Parking at Anderson is limited.

**Conflict Zone**

Safety issues surround pedestrian routes where they cross roadways. These areas occur on Juneau Auke Lake campus where pedestrian routes cross Glacier Highway and Mendenhall Loop Road, to connect from the campus core to Anderson, the bookstore, or to the trail to housing and rec center. These crossings are minimally defined and have limited visibility.

**Bus Stop**

Juneau Auke Lake Campus is served by the Capital Transit bus system. The primary route borders the campus property around Glacier Highway and Mendenhall Loop Road. An express bus with a limited schedule has a stop at the turn-around at Egan Classroom Wing.

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**Circulation and Parking**

The Circulation and Parking diagrams illustrate primary vehicular circulation routes and parking.

**Vehicular Circulation**

Vehicular circulation is comprised of city streets, campus vehicular corridors, and campus vehicular limited access. City streets are used to connect campuses, such as Juneau Auke Lake and Juneau downtown locations. Juneau Auke Lake’s main vehicular spine has recently been disconnected in order to support pedestrian movement. The connection remains for limited access vehicles, which also share the wide pedestrian paths that lead from the campus core to the housing precinct to the rec facility.
Infrastructure

Auke Lake – Central Campus

Water: A 16 inch CBJ water main serves the “Pump House” on the Mendenhall Loop Rd. Three branches leave the pump house, one to the main campus, one to the Rec Center and one to Student Housing. The pump house maintains overall system pressure and is equipped with a fire pump and emergency generation. Flows are monitored at each building through an automated metering system.

Sewer: All student housing sewage flows by gravity to a CBJ lift station located on the Mendenhall Loop Rd near University Drive.

Electricity: Primary utility power is provided underground via Lee St and along the pedestrian path. Limited emergency power is provided to the apartments from a generator in the Housing Lodge (Community Building). Future needs: ensure that IT equipment has uninterruptible power.

Data/Communications: Network connectivity provided by single-mode fiber from the Recreation Center to the Housing Lodge. Multi-mode fiber connects the lodge to each of the Housing buildings. Future needs: new single-mode fiber connection to the main campus, preferably through a vault system.

Student Housing

Water: Water for domestic use and fire protection is provided from the “pump house” on the Mendenhall Loop Rd. Individual buildings are separately metered.

Sewer: All student housing sewage flows by gravity to a CBJ lift station located on the Mendenhall Loop Rd near University Drive.

Electricity: Primary utility power is provided underground via Lee St and along the pedestrian path. Limited emergency power is provided to the apartments from a generator in the Housing Lodge (Community Building). Future needs: ensure that IT equipment has uninterruptible power.

Data/Communications: Network connectivity provided by single-mode fiber from the Recreation Center to the Housing Lodge. Multi-mode fiber connects the lodge to each of the Housing buildings. Future needs: new single-mode fiber connection to the main campus, preferably through a vault system.

Recreation Center / Joint Use Facility

Water: Water for domestic use and fire protection is provided from the “pump house” on the Mendenhall Loop Rd.

Sewer: Drain lines flow by gravity to an on-site lift station south of the main parking lots. A pressure line is located under the entry road which connects to the CBJ sewer main under the Mendenhall Loop Rd.

Electricity: A primary AEL&P electrical service runs underground along the alignment of the entry road. An emergency generator provides limited power. Future needs: uninterruptable power serving the IT infrastructure.

Anderson Building

Water: Water for domestic use and fire protection is provided from the CBJ water main beneath Glacier Highway.

Sewer: An on-site lift station pressurizes a four inch force line under the parking lot and connects to the CBJ sewer main under Glacier Highway.

Electricity: Electrical service is provided through underground conduits from the AEL&P transformer located on site. An on-site generator provides full emergency backup power.

Data/Communications: Data connectivity is provided by a 20-year old direct-burial multi-mode fiber cable that runs from the Stover House to the Anderson Building in an abandoned water main. Future needs: new single-mode fiber connection to the main campus, preferably through a vault system.

Bookstore/ Admin Services Building (BAS)

Water: Water for domestic use and fire protection is provided from the CBJ water main beneath Glacier Highway.

Sewer: Building sewage flows by gravity to the CBJ sewer main beneath Glacier Highway.

Electricity: Future needs: uninterruptable power for IT gear.

Data/Communications: Data services are provided by an 8 Mbps leased copper circuit. Future needs: install a University-owned circuit, ideally single-mode fiber running to the Rec Center or some other nearby facility.

Natural Science Research Lab

Water: Water for domestic use and fire protection is provided from the CBJ water main beneath Bentwood Place.

Sewer: Building sewage flows by gravity to the CBJ sewer main beneath Bentwood Place.

Electricity: Power is provided through metered service from AEL&P. Future needs: uninterruptable power for IT gear.

Data/Communications: Data services are provided by an 8 Mbps leased copper circuit. Future needs: upgrade leased circuit to higher-bandwidth fiber. Add additional circuit to the Tech Ed Center to create redundant network paths for campus buildings.
Technical Education Center

Facilities - Building Use

The TEC largely houses workforce development programs offered through the UAS School of Career Education. The TEC is two-stories and is a highly-visible UAS facility in downtown Juneau. It houses classrooms, shops, labs, and offices. Programs offered at the TEC include those offered for non-credit in mine safety training as well as for-credit degree and certificate programs in construction technology, power technology (diesel/auto/marine), and welding. The UAS Center for Mine Training is located here, which has a state-of-the-art mine training simulator. The location of the TEC across Egan Drive from Juneau Douglas High School provides opportunities for shared use of facilities and for collaboration in offering Tech-Prep courses—where high school students are able to earn college credit in approved workforce programs.

Facilities - Building Condition

The TEC building is a well maintained sound building without major problems, built in 1983 with an addition in 1985. Consideration of emerging programs and focus on workforce development, training for specific job related skills calls for reorganizing classroom laboratory and classroom spaces within the building needs to be revisited as new programs and technologies come on line.

The 36,306 sf building is comprised of 2x4 metal studs, sheathed with 3 ½” insulated metal panels – R-14; and double pane windows. The metal deck, original built up roof was replaced with EPDM system. Perimeter concrete footing 2” rigid slab; 36” deep footing. The channel side of the 1985 addition may have water infiltration problems caused by wind driven rain.

Energy Audit completed in 2005 recommended recommissioning mechanical systems and building control systems (BAS); continue to upgrade lighting. New Fire Alarm system was installed in 2010.

Outdoor Program Space

With the Technical Education Center’s location and function in downtown Juneau along the waterfront, the campus has a strong industrial site character. The campus is predominantly paved with minimal areas for outdoor gathering and poorly defined pedestrian circulation between buildings. Paved areas are used for program space. The waterfront location provides opportunities for connection to the water. The building is highly visible from Egan Drive.

Parking and Circulation

The parking lot has adequate parking, although must be monitored to prevent unauthorized parking by students from adjacent Juneau Douglas High School. The High School is connected with a pedestrian bridge spanning Egan Drive.

A significant portion of the site is dedicated in a lease to the City and Borough of Juneau for boat parking and access to a boat lift. The current terms of the lease extend through 2021 (area shown on diagrams). The dedicated lease area constrains the site for future uses, and should be reviewed at the time of renewal.

Infrastructure

Water: Water for domestic use and fire protection is provided from the CBJ water main beneath Willoughby Avenue.

Sewer: Building sewage flows by gravity to the CBJ sewer main beneath Willoughby Avenue.

Electricity: Power is provided through metered service from AEL&P. Future needs: uninterruptable power for IT gear.

Data/Communications: Data services are provided by an 8 Mbps leased copper circuit. Building copper data wiring is outdated and problematic. Future needs: upgrade leased circuit to higher-bandwidth fiber. The building copper cabling should be replaced.
Bill Ray Center

Facilities - Building Use

The UAS Bill Ray Center is prominently located in downtown Juneau near Juneau School District offices and the city’s business center. It is situated approximately one-third of a mile from the UAS Technical Education Center—across from Egan Drive. The Bill Ray Center was originally built primarily for UAS business programs. Today it primarily serves as a location for School of Career Education programs but is also used on occasion by faculty and staff in the School of Arts and Sciences. Career Education programs using the facility include health sciences and the University of Alaska Anchorage Nursing program. It also houses faculty offering marine transportation certifications. The facility has ample parking and is located near bus routes, including an express bus that connects to the Juneau Auke Bay Campus.

Facilities - Building Condition

The original building was constructed in 1976; its addition constructed in 1981. The Bill Ray Center is in sound condition; requiring only regular maintenance and upgrade of building systems. This 21,890 gsf, 2 story building consists of office and classroom spaces. It has a concrete slab on grade foundation, exposed-aggregate pre cast concrete wall panels, tilt-up construction, wood detail, T&G flat roof deck; EPDM roofing material. Recent upgrades include new heating plant/boiler replacement, window replacement south facing side of the building, and roof replacement. ADA Condition Survey was completed in 2011. Defined future upgrades include fire alarm system replacement, renovate/add toilet rooms, and replace elevator to meet ADAAG.

Open Space

Bill Ray Center has minimal open space. There are small areas with planting.

Parking and Circulation

Parking is abundant with one small lot adjacent to building, and another sizable lot across the street. There is a drop off in front of building on F Street. There is a capital transit bus stop located in close proximity.

Infrastructure

Water: Water for domestic use and fire protection is provided from the CBJ water main beneath Egan Drive. Sewer: Building sewage flows by gravity to the CBJ sewer main. Electricity: Power is provided through metered service from AEL&P. Future needs: uninterruptable power for IT gear. Data/Communications: Data services are provided by a high-bandwidth line-of-site wireless connection to the Bill Ray Center. The adjacent welding lab has only limited copper cabling providing analog phone service. Future needs: add dedicated high-bandwidth leased circuits to the main campus and to the Natural Sciences building (to create redundant path). Add dedicated fiber data circuits to the welding lab.

LEGEND

EXISTING CAMPUS CONDITIONS

LEGEND (Building Use)

LEGEND (Building Condition)

LEGEND (Outdoor Space)

LEGEND (Circulation & Parking)
Sitka

The UAS Sitka Campus is located in the City and Borough of Sitka on Baranof Island, part of the beautiful Alexander Archipelago that makes up Alaska’s Southeast Panhandle. The city has a population of 8,881 people (2010 census). It is accessible only by air and by sea, and is situated 80 air miles southwest of Juneau, Alaska’s capital.

In the 1980s the community’s economy was impacted by the shut-down of a large pulp mill. More recently, Sheldon Jackson College, a church-based institution of higher education, also closed. But Sitka has weathered these economic challenges—its economy today is expanding, based largely upon fisheries and fish processing, tourism, the US Coast Guard, and medical and educational services.

The Sitka Campus is located at 1332 Seward Avenue on Japonski Island, connected by bridge to the larger Sitka community. The Campus is housed within a WWII-era aircraft hanger, which now encloses offices, classrooms, shops, and public and student gathering areas. The Campus’ close proximity to Mt. Edgecumbe High School, a statewide boarding school serving predominantly Alaska Native students, provides exceptional opportunities for secondary-postsecondary partnerships, including dual enrollment and Tech-Prep courses. The Campus also collaborates in the use of facilities with other community partners, including the Sitka Sound Science Center (which has an operating fish hatchery) and the Alaska Law Enforcement Training Center.

Facilities – Building Use

The campus is tasked with the primary responsibility of distance delivery of AA and AAS degrees, pre-nursing lab based science classes and a career and technical education curriculum.

A construction project to add a construction technology lab (renewable energy), a ‘Student Success Center’ housing support spaces for web delivery of coursework, secure testing facilities and a “one-stop-shop” for walk-in students, and a large exhibition/demonstration/lecture hall will be completed during the fall of 2012.

High school students from Mt. Edgecumbe (quartered in the adjacent WWII hangar) attend welding and construction technology courses on the UAS campus. A lab ‘prep’ room is used for preparing and evaluating lab kits sent out in connection with distance courses.

‘Wayfinding’ throughout the campus corridors need to be strengthened. Assigning colors to the corridors is currently under way. A space planning survey is currently under way. Ceramics Lab/Art Room code corrections is currently in design.

Facilities – Building Condition

The Sitka hangar was constructed about 1941 and originally served as a pre WWII airplane hangar. The footprint is 240’ x 160’, with a clear ceiling height (in open area) 30’ to underside of structure.

Exterior renovation in 1987 included replacing or overlaying original cladding with insulated metal panels, windows, EPDM membrane roof and interior 2-story office bay. 1994 through present, multi-phased infill additions to meet needs, including a welding lab, academic blocks (classroom and office spaces), health sciences classroom & lab spaces, construction technology lab, multi-purpose technical classrooms and their support spaces.

LEGEND

- Academic
- Student Support
- Study
- Administrative
- Recreational
- Facility Support

- Maintenance and Repair
- Fireward
- Major Rehabilitation
- Adaptive Reuse

Figure 3.18 Sitka Large Scale Context

UAS
1. Sitka Campus Site
2. Mt. Edgecombe High School
3. Mt. Edgecombe High School Dormitories
4. Sitka Sound Science Center
5. Public Safety Training Academy
6. Sitka Fine Arts
7. Na Ka Hili
8. Sitka Pioneer Home
9. Sitka Harbor
10. US Coast Guard
11. SEAHHC Community Health & Hospital
12. Sewage Treatment Plant
13. Marina
14. Sitka High School
15. Sitka National Cemetery
16. Sitka National Historical Park
17. Sitka Sound

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Figure 3.19 Sitka Building Use (Level 2 shown in dashed frame)

Figure 3.20 Sitka Building Condition (Level 2 shown in dashed frame)
In general, the Sitka campus does not have a significant amount of green space due to the historic nature of the airplane hangar. However, the campus is located in a highly scenic area with potential and room for developing a landscape strategy for planting, gathering, and pedestrian circulation, with a strong sense of arrival and place.

**Outdoor Gathering**
Sitka does not have recognized formal or informal gathering areas, though students from the college as well as Mt. Edgecombe HS seek out "found" areas to congregate, demonstrating a clear need. A small recreational ball field is adjacent to the campus property, but is not well maintained and not utilized as a playing field.

**Grassy Area**
A small area adjacent the front of the hanger is maintained as lawn and softens the edge of the surrounding pavement.

**Wooded Area**
A dense tree planting borders the rear of the hanger, along a steep slope. This border is intended as a barrier to foot traffic between the Hangar and HS—additional barrier is needed to prevent erroneous cut-throughs.

**Trail**
The city and borough of Sitka has identified the Japonski Loop Trail as part of their 2003 Trail Plan, circling the island with a portion bordering the campus.

**Circulation and Parking**
The Sitka campus resides at a former hangar and plane launch, therefore the site is primarily historic concrete—notably at a significant depth to handle the weight of air craft.

**Circulation**
Vehicular circulation is ambiguous through the vast concrete areas between the entry from Seward Avenue and the lined parking lot. Throughout the undefined areas there are conflicts between vehicles and pedestrians.

Portions of concrete surface are used for police vehicle maneuvers, though this area may be relocated.

**Parking**
Sitka has ample space for parking. The parking lot rests on existing concrete and is defined through striping.

**Infrastructure**
Data/Communications: WAN connectivity is provided by a 40Mbit circuit to the Juneau campus. Future needs: add a secondary WAN circuit to Sitka to create multiple data paths in the region.
Ketchikan

Ketchikan is Alaska’s “First City”, located within the Ketchikan Gateway Borough on Revillagigedo Island in southern Southeast Alaska. It is 235 miles south of Alaska’s capital city, Juneau. Ketchikan is accessible only by air and by sea; it has regular jet aircraft service from Seattle and from Alaskan cities to the north. Ketchikan’s population is approximately 14,070 (2010 census), a significant number of whom are Haida, Tsimshian, and Tlingit. Alaska’s only federally-recognized Indian reservation, the Annette Islands Reserve, and its community of Metlakatla, is located nearby.

Ketchikan’s economic history has long been tied to fishing, maritime services, and logging. The closing of the Ketchikan Pulp Mill in nearby Ward Cove in 1997 posed major challenges to the economic life of the community. Today the economy is growing modestly by focusing on fisheries and mariculture, tourism (including regular visits of cruise ships to downtown Ketchikan), ship maintenance and repair, and government services. Ketchikan is home to Ketchikan Ship and Drydock, a growing facility that is expected to increase employment in years to come. There are also two important mineral prospects near Ketchikan on southern Prince of Wales Island. Development of these two prospects is likely in the next 5-10 years.

The upper campus sits nestled into the hillside of Tongass National Forest, on the edge of a very steep parcel of property approximately 44 acres in size. The upper campus consists of 2 buildings connected by an outdoor covered walkway. The lower campus sits directly on the Tongass Narrows at 600 Stedman St.

Facilities - Building Use

The Building Use diagrams illustrate the existing campus buildings in terms of their primary building use: academic, student support, study, administrative, recreation, facility support. On the smaller campuses, building use is approximately diagrammed within the buildings, treating them as a “campus within a building.” The intent of the diagram is to understand the building use patterns that currently exist on each campus.

Academic

At the upper campus, academic space including classroom, labs and faculty offices, is located predominantly in the Paul Building. Lower campus academic space is predominantly specialty labs, and includes outdoor covered work spaces.

Student Support

Student support spaces include student organization offices, retail, gathering. It is currently clustered in Ziegler.

Administrative

Administrative spaces are located in multiple, unconnected locations in the Ketchikan campus buildings.

Facility Support

The facility support shop space is in the Robertson Building and serves both campuses.
Facilities - Building Condition

Maintenance and Repair
Paul and Ziegler were extensively remodeled in 2006. Paul was re-roofed in 2009 and Ziegler in 2011. Robertson was extensively remodeled in 2003.

Major Revitalization
Hamilton will require infrastructure upgrades.

Green Space

The Ketchikan campus is divided in two locations, each campus having unique outdoor qualities specific to their locations.

Outdoor Gathering
Outdoor Gathering spaces consist of formal or informal areas where the campus community gathers. The spaces are generally defined by building facades and paved area with maintained landscape plantings, and often include outdoor art and heritage. The upper campus of Ketchikan has an plaza and bridge that connects the two buildings. Significant outdoor gathering spaces are not located at Ketchikan lower campus.

Wooded Area
Dense woods are a defining characteristic of the Ketchikan upper campus.

Waterfront Zone
The proximity to the water along an industrial shoreline is a defining characteristic of the lower campus. The new lifeboat davit dock will enable able body seaman training at lower campus.

Trail
The Rainbird Trail winds through Ketchikan upper campus with recent trail improvements. The trailhead is adjacent to the Ziegler Building.
Circulation and Parking

Vehicular Circulation

Vehicular circulation is comprised of city streets, campus vehicular corridors, and campus vehicular limited access. City streets are used to connect upper and lower campuses, which are approximately 2 miles apart. Circulation on Ketchikan lower campus is highly undefined.

Parking

Ketchikan upper campus parking lot was recently repaved and expanded. Parking is sufficient.

Ketchikan lower campus’s parking and service areas are constrained. The site is used for multiple functions: boats, loading and circulation. The lot is gravel and fenced.

Bus Stop

Ketchikan Borough Gateway Transit System has stops near each campus.

Infrastructure

Data/Communications: Main campus buildings are interconnected by fiber. A high-bandwidth leased circuit connects the upper and lower campuses. WAN connectivity is provided by a 40Mbit circuit to the Juneau campus. Future needs: add a secondary WAN circuit to Sitka to create multiple data paths in the region.
3.0 CURRENT CAMPUS CHALLENGES

Introduction

The foremost challenge facing UAS with regard to facilities is to ensure that the institution’s infrastructure supports and enhances its mission of student learning and its goals of increased retention and student success. Facilities design, construction, and renewal are essential elements in fulfilling our four core themes: student success, teaching and learning, community engagement, and research and creative expression. Each of the UAS campuses in Juneau, Ketchikan, and Sitka—and each of our discrete facilities in those communities—offers both challenges and opportunities with this in mind.

It is important to recognize that the use of UAS facilities has changed significantly over time: an expanding mission requires new uses of buildings previously used for other purposes; new technologies and pedagogies open the door to more eLearning/online offerings, affecting use of both classrooms and office space; changing workforce needs mean that programs once vibrant and in high-demand are now no longer needed; and UAS finds that it must adapt to changing student expectations for housing, food, and support services. Indeed, the one constant in the use of UAS facilities is the need to adapt to changing needs and opportunities. The result today is that many facilities are being used for programs and services that did not exist when they were originally designed and constructed. Many buildings have been retrofitted over time to meet immediate or more short-term space needs.
Two significant facility challenges facing UAS are the quantity of space and the quality of space in meeting our mission and core themes. The data highlighting the nature of these challenges is presented in the following pages. They are derived from an extensive space analysis completed in alignment with national design standards and comparison of UAS needs with comparable institutions of higher education. Analysis of this data extended down to the department and program levels in order to understand the nuanced needs over time of each school and program. The space analysis confirmed what was reported anecdotally—that UAS needs to be more creative and flexible in the use of existing space and more strategic and pro-active in design and construction of new space that explicitly supports student retention and success.

In analyzing the space needs data and their relationship to the UAS mission and core themes, several guiding principles emerged that will continue to be important in making facilities decisions:

- Demonstrate clearly how requests for new facilities and renovation of older facilities supports our mission and core themes
- Design new and renovated facilities in a flexible manner to take into account changing technologies, workforce demands, and pedagogies—including rapid changes in eLearning instruction, advising, and support
- Design facilities that promote active and engaged learning, and that support high levels of personal engagement between student, faculty, advisor, and staff support team
- Create inviting and attractive instructional, student services, and office spaces that promote a sense of community amongst students, faculty, and staff
- Capitalize on our partnerships and opportunities for community engagement—serving the needs of business and industry partners as well as supporters of community arts and humanities
- Secure consistent, adequate, year to year funding to address the University’s annual maintenance and repair needs. Implement stewardship policies to ensure an annual provision for maintenance and repair is included in the operating budget. Continue to use its influence to modify the State’s capital funding process to establish consistent sources of funding for capital renewal and facilities maintenance.

The following section summarizes the space needs analysis data and applies the above guiding principles to facilities challenges associated with each of UAS’ four core themes.

Space Needs Summary

The space needs analysis for the campus master plan classified each space on campus according to CEFPI (Council for Educational Facility Planners International) categories, a set of standards used as a national basis of comparison across educational institutions. The standards define a guideline assignable square footage (ASF) per full-time equivalent (FTE) student in each space category. (See Appendix B for ASF summaries per category.) Existing UAS ASF/FTE ratios were also compared with peer institutions to augment these findings. See Figure 3.1 for peer comparison.

The findings of the space analysis show that while UAS may have the required amount of space compared to peer standards, the space functions and layouts are misaligned with the required use of the space. This is due to the evolving programs, pedagogical teaching styles, and advancements in eLearning support.
The University looked at current and future space needs for each campus including, Juneau Auke Lake Campus, Juneau Bill Ray Center, Juneau Technical Education Center, Sitka Campus and Ketchikan Campuses. The space analysis was based on the following: the postsecondary education Facilities Inventory and Classification Manual (FICM- standards for classifying postsecondary institutional facilities); an existing space inventory provided by UAS; FTE equivalent values, for fall 2011 and projections for 2021 provided by UAS (See figures 3.2-3.4); and a class schedule provided by UAS for fall 2011.

Projections for 2021 assume growth rates unique to each campus. UAS has a significant eLearning program due to the remote locations of their campuses and the students they serve. The bar charts to the left show the ratio of eLearning students and traditional face-to-face students at each campus location; at baseline 2011 conditions as well as projected in 2021. This demographic results in unique challenges with different space needs for the various student populations.

Growth Rate Assumptions:
- Juneau Auke Lake: 2.8% Traditional Learner; 3.8% eLearner
- TEC: 5.1% Overall
- Bill Ray: 2.9% Overall
- Ketchikan: 3.1% Traditional Learner; 4.3% eLearner
- Sitka: -0.4% Traditional Learner; 8.8% eLearner

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The following pages demonstrate the summary of projected space surpluses or deficits at UAS campuses (Figures 3.5-3.8). These figures show a graphical representation of space types in deficit or surplus vacillating at the guideline ASF. The guideline ASF, shown as a vertical bar, is based on national and university standards and factors used across the country. See Appendix B for a detailed space category deficit and surplus comparison to CEFPI guidelines.

A detailed departmental analysis was also performed during the master plan process. This can be found in Appendix C.

Juneau Auke Lake campus anticipates a growth from the existing 850 traditional learner FTE to 1200 traditional learner FTE and from the existing 380 eLearner FTE to 525 eLearner FTE.

The 2011 graph includes spaces at NSRL. Bill Ray and TEC have separate graphs on the following pages. The 2021 graph assumes that Bill Ray Center and NSRL have been sold/leased and the program space needs have shifted to the Auke Lake campus. The graph also assumes that the Soboleff Annex is demolished by 2021 and office space existing in the annex is moved elsewhere on the Auke Lake campus. The 2021 graph also includes the required space for the nursing program to grow into a 4 year program.

Research space includes rooms used primarily for laboratory experimentation, research or training in research methods; or professional research and observation or structured creative activity within a specific program.
Bill Ray has a significant amount of surplus space. A portion of the building is leased. The 2021 space needs assumes Bill Ray is sold. The growth for 2021 space needs for programs housed at Bill Ray currently were calculated and moved to the Auke Lake campus; these included the nursing programs, including the leased space for the UAA program. The space needs for all other applied technical programs were assumed to move over to the TEC buildings.

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TEC anticipates an increase of students from the existing 51 FTE to 84 FTE. However, the programs served at TEC are highly dependent on the local industries, in particular mining. Several mines have the potential to open in the near future. TEC needs to remain flexible to support mine training as needed. Existing space may need to be revisited and repurposed in the short term and needs evolve.

TEC also requires 48,000 SF maneuvering space for the mines program that does not fit on the current property and will need to be located at a partner site.

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2011 ASF SPACE VARIANCES - SITKA

710-Central Computer / Telecom
530-Media Production
620-Exhibition
210/215-Tech Labs + Service
250/255-Research Labs + Service
720-Shop
670-Wellness
680-Meeting Room
310-Faculty Offices
310-Administrative/Staff Offices
210/215-Teaching Labs + Service
220/225-Self Study Lab
110/115-Classrooms + Service

2011 ASF SPACE VARIANCES - KETCHIKAN

530-Media Production
620-Exhibition
660-Merchandising
710-Central Computer / Telecom
720-Shop
400-Study/Library
350-Conference Rooms
670-Recreation
680-Meeting Room
210/215-Teaching Labs + Service
210/215-Tech Labs + Service
110/115-Classrooms + Service
310-Administration/Staff Offices

Sitka anticipates a decline in traditional face-to-face students—90 to 87 FTE, but a significant increase in eLearners—212 to 493 FTE. Surplus space can be repurposed for needs that are showing deficit, and to better serve eLearning needs. A new wellness room is currently under construction, anticipated to be complete by the time this report is published.

Ketchikan anticipates an enrollment increase from the existing 93 traditional FTE to 125 traditional FTE, and an increase from the existing 140 eLearner FTE to 200 eLearner FTE.
Facilities Challenges: Student Success

Juneau Campus Housing
First year housing is critical component to supporting students and increasing student retention at the Juneau Auke Lake Campus. UAS is currently in the design process for a new first year residence hall located near the campus core. The new housing should have living/learning environments, gathering space including small study rooms for residents and their guests, as well as outdoor/front yard spaces bring a sense of connection to the campus core. The north housing precinct facilities should support increased independence for upper class students.

Juneau Campus Dining
Improvements to Juneau Campus dining options and facilities are a high priority. Commuter and resident students alike would benefit from both convenient locations as well as diverse food options. With the new resident hall at the Juneau Auke Lake campus, updated and redesigned dining facilities should be a high priority.

Informal Assembly and Group Study Spaces
The majority of students in Juneau live off-campus and commute to UAS for classes, recreation and other activities. The current, existing on-campus housing precinct at Juneau Auke Lake is a considerable distance from the campus core. There is a critical need for increased assembly spaces on campus, both for study and socialization. While some rooms have been identified on campus as assembly spaces, they have been unsuccessful due to poorly-adapted reuse, low visibility, and poor lighting.

Small assembly spaces are needed in campus core buildings for study, socialization and recreation. The location of assembly spaces is important in buildings as, when placed near the front door or lobby, students are forced to walk through this space and come into contact with other students. They serve as catalysts for an active and closely knit student community. Anderson’s small assembly space is an excellent example of a properly located and executed space. Likewise, the 2010 Campus Linkage Study by MRV Architects should continue to be identified as positive future spaces to promote an on-campus community for commuter students.
Juneau Campus Amenities

Amenities should be built and expanded that encourage both resident and commuter students to remain on campus in order to strengthen both the social and academic aspects of campus life. This is an especially critical need during the winter months.

Indoor amenities could include:

- Coffee house
- Improved late-night food options
- Game areas and wellness rooms
- Comfortable lounge space and study space
- Relocated/expanded retail opportunities

Outdoor activities throughout the academic year is desired:

- Disc golf course or one single hole where space is limited
- Active recreation areas adjacent to buildings such as half court basketball
- Passive gathering space and informal trails
- Connections to waterfront
- Boat house and connections to Auke Lake

Strengthening connections between the campus and community is another way to enliven campus life and broaden use of campus amenities. The available performing arts opportunities, Evening at Egan, and the Native & Rural Student Center are examples of programs that bring more people to the campus, thus making the university a destination for education and entertainment. A variety of activities draws more people to campus and creates a hub of activity.

Campus Recreation and Wellness

UAS has been making steady progress toward meeting its long-standing goal of growing the full-time student body. Completion of the new freshman dorm will enable continued growth for years to come. As soon as the 120 new beds are filled near the campus core there will be an increased demand for recreation space. Every vibrant community has accessible parks and recreation areas. In Alaska, recreation must include quality indoor facilities. Currently, the Rec Center is a very active state of the art facility, but its utility is limited, its use is shared with the National Guard, and it is located a short distance from the campus core. Students and other interested stakeholders have expressed interest in the construction of a field house and a disk golf course, among other things.
Facilities Challenges: Teaching & Learning

Promoting a Sense of Community

Promoting a strong community of scholars and learners is one of UAS’s primary goals. The space needs analysis points out some specific quantity issues related to teaching and research spaces, at the three UAS campuses but the quality of space is also a concern.

Classroom space available on all three campuses appears to be adequate but the real issue is the quality. Tours demonstrated that the specialized teaching lab spaces in some of the older buildings are not up to quality levels to be expected in a university of this caliber. Classrooms should enable student centered learning, team based learning, flexible classroom configurations, convertible classroom configurations. The Teaching spaces in the Bill Ray Center are underutilized, as shown by the space needs calculations. Bill Ray Center has double the space needed for the programs and classes that are held there.

The technology training labs at Juneau’s TEC and on the Sitka Campus are right on the cusp of needing additional space. At a departmental level there is a need to meet demand for space for the newer and projected programs like Mining Training. The departmental level study also showed existing space allocation for certain programs, like construction technology, need to be reassessed based on enrollment in such programs.

Classroom Distribution and Configuration

A number of factors specific to classroom space were examined in considerable detail: classroom capacity versus enrolled class size, station utilization rate, weekly room use, and daily classroom use.

An important impact on classroom space use is the misalignment between classroom capacities and enrollment. Figures 3.14 indicates the difference between available classroom capacity (blue) and actual enrollment (red) on each of the 3 campuses studied.

As the graphs indicate, there is a shortage of classrooms in the 5-20 seat capacity range on all 3 campuses and a surplus of classrooms in the 21-30. On Juneau there is a shortage of classrooms for Psychology, for example, all require 50 seats as well as the GED Testing and Preparation classes on the Ketchikan campus.

These issues create shortages of classrooms in particular sizes that often cause a chain reaction in which classes are assigned to classrooms with too much seating capacity, creating inefficient classroom alignments.

Figure 3.14 Classroom Capacity vs. Actual Enrollment
Station Utilization Rates are at or above recognized national standards for the Juneau campus (a bit below for Sitka and Ketchikan see figure 3.15)

Weekly room use, on the other hand, could be improved. Improvement, through scheduling, could provide additional classroom capacity without the construction of new buildings.

Daily classroom use varies considerably in regards to hours of the day and days of the week. Figure 3.16 shows a secondary peak of hours in which rooms are used after 5pm nearly every day of the week; this indicates the classrooms are in demand for more than the typical 9 hour day (8am-5pm). Classroom scheduling could be maximized to take advantage of the available hours during the typical work day hours.

While improvement in utilization could be made through scheduling, a significant challenge is classroom function. Enrollment statistics indicate a surplus of space, but they do not recognize the functionality or the locations of the classrooms across campus. Concerns include equipment, configuration, acoustics and lighting, sightlines, technology, etc. Geographic distribution of classrooms is not aligned with demand either. Bill Ray Center has a significant surplus of under-utilized classrooms, but its inconvenient location does not lend itself for use by programs not located downtown. The space needs model also indicates the Juneau main campus also has an excess of classroom space but the classrooms with the best equipment and configurations see the most demand. The under utilization of some classrooms are due mainly to location and obsolescence.
For Sitka and Ketchikan, the space model also shows a large amount of surplus classroom space. This could be due to the shift from classroom centered learning to online and e-learning programs. Sitka’s 2021 Goal is to have 90% of its classes delivered through e-learning. The desire on these campuses is to improve and create classrooms so that a blended learning environment is available. This would suggest an upgrade to classroom technology is highest priority at these two campuses.

UAS should continue to examine opportunities to repurpose underutilized classrooms and improve the quality of space. Budgeted deferred maintenance dollars should be prioritized for renovating existing classrooms.
additional space is required in the teaching labs at Auke Lake there were many that had qualitative issues. For example, the Environmental Science Lab spaces on Juneau’s Auke Lake Campus appears ad hoc. The space was cobbled together from other discontinued programs to provide the quantity of space required by this growing program without much consideration on what features or characteristics might be appropriate for this kind of space.

From a technical lab standpoint some of the labs could benefit from a reassessment of use. For example the construction technology program has a very large, equipment intensive wood working lab, but the class schedule shows only one class during the entire semester assigned to this space. There may be opportunities for the growing programs to use some of the spaces currently reserved for underutilized labs.

Most important, many lab spaces contain highly specialized lab equipment that restricts the usage for purposes other than lab classes. Because of the specialized lab equipment, scheduling and utilization is very limited.

Looking long term for Juneau Auke Lake, the projected need for more and upgraded quality teaching lab space as well as the need for research space creates an opportunity to create a new science and technology education center, contributing to UAS’s desire to consolidate facilities into academic neighborhoods.
Library and Study Quantity

Juneau Auke Lake and Ketchikan are the only two campuses within the UAS system that have active working libraries. Within these spaces are included the Student Learning and Testing Centers which are available to all and used by many students for tutoring, teamwork, workshops and test taking. Existing space needs for Juneau Auke Lake indicate a surplus of library and study space on campus, however a large part of the library is currently being used to meet another demand, that of presentation and lecture space. Over one fourth of the lower level of the Egan Library is dedicated to an auditorium type set up where “Evenings at Egan” are held. Here guest speaker’s present current and important topics relevant to the region. Although not affecting collections space of the library, the space might be better utilized for expansion of the overly crowded Learning center. This will push towards UAS’s goal to create visible “student learning centers”.

Ketchikan’s library is currently bursting at the seams with a current space need of nearly 130% of what they have for both collection and learning center currently. This deficit only increases as needs are calculated for 2021.

Both Juneau and Ketchikan libraries currently serve as a gallery and gathering point for cultural activities and events for their respective communities. UAS’s desire to expand and showcase cultural programs could better be served in a new cultural center building. By moving these events out of the library space, study spaces could be increased.

Library study areas are one of the few areas open to commuter and e-learning students for individual and group study. Library staff expressed that more group study spaces were needed based on the demand of what was currently available.

Office Quantity and Quality

Currently, there is a variety of needs and overages across the three campuses of UAS. There is a need for better office space on the Juneau Auke Lake campus including faculty, staff and graduate student office space. While the office space may be sufficient, it is not in the right location, right configuration. Creating quality, inviting office space will help enhance a sense of community. Juneau Bill Ray Center shows a quantifiable surplus but its remote location makes it undesirable to most personnel. The TEC shows a current need with additional office space need in the future. Sitka and Ketchikan are currently showing a surplus of office space across the board, the only area indicating a deficit being e-learning support. Dedicated e-learning support is missing at all campus locations.

Qualitatively the Auke Lake campus has many office spaces which are located in temporary buildings that have outlived their usefulness. There are faculty office suites, in some of the academic buildings, which have not been updated for decades. These suites are often dark “adjustable wall partition” type spaces which provide no natural light. Creating open, collaborative and light filled spaces will produce areas personnel will want to work and contribute to the community of scholars so desired by UAS. Sitka’s abundance of office space will serve them well as growth in the e-learning area continues. As e-learning support space becomes more defined by the evolving programs, their facility will be well situated to meet the demands. Ketchikan’s surplus of office space can provide space to create the conferencing areas they will need. At the same time the surplus can be used create e-learning support space as Ketchikan’s digital programs evolve.
Facilities Challenges: Community Engagement

The primary challenge facing UAS in its mission to support community engagement is the lack of suitable venues on all three campuses for engaging the broader community and partners with shared visions and goals. As a result, UAS continues to host a variety of forums, lectures, and cultural performances in spaces ill equipped or large enough to accommodate large gatherings. The university’s popular Evening at Egan Lecture Series, for example, is hosted in the Egan Library. This space lacks appropriate seating and sightlines for large audiences. All three campus locations would benefit from larger venues for hosting music, dance, theatrical and other cultural performances. Smaller venues specifically designed for the temporary installment and public demonstration of student, faculty, and visiting lecturer research and creative expression is also lacking. Current space utilized for this purpose is often in high traffic corridors and hallways that do not lend themselves to public viewings or small group discussion.

Another challenge is linking the campuses to the larger communities in which they reside. Notably absent are the use of distinctive, identifiable signs, banners, landscapes, and other graphic elements indicating the “front door” and communicate the university’s collegiate atmosphere and purpose. Supporting the construction of shared trails and open spaces can further integrate the campus into its larger community. The university should continue to work with local governments and neighborhood groups to ensure future development plans provide for adequate public transportation hubs, safe pedestrian crossings.

Finally, future UAS renewal and facility improvements need to take into consideration on how to promote and enable the continued cooperation and mutual support of the three campuses. For example, including study and small group spaces with virtual kiosks and video conferencing capability and connectivity can allow students, faculty and staff to participate in classes and other university events from multiple locations.
Facilities Challenges: Research & Creative Expression

The continued promotion of faculty scholarship and undergraduate research requires an on-going commitment to providing adequate research laboratories and dedicated space for creative expression. Research expenditures for the most recent fiscal year were just under $1 million and the university projects research expenditures will exceed $1.5 million by the year 2021.

Recent efforts to promote research opportunities for faculty and students include the founding of the Alaska Coastal Rainforest Center (ACRC). The ACRC is a collaborative effort with the goal of enhancing education and research opportunities related to Alaska’s temperate rainforests. UAS has partnered with eighteen other organizations representing various federal, state, and local government and not-for-profit agencies.

Undergraduate opportunities are offered through UAS’s Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Award (URECA). The program partners undergraduate students with a faculty mentor and offers students $2500 to pursue a research topic or creative project of their choosing.

UAS continues to partner with its sister institutions, UAA and UAF to further faculty and student research. UAS host several graduate research fellows each year to students majoring in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). In addition, UAS faculty are engaged across the University of Alaska system in joint research. For example, many UAS faculty are named as investigators on the recent Alaska EPSCoR Phase IV award. The award is administered through UAF with participation from all of the University of Alaska major academic units. The grant is a five year, $25 million award to research the resilience, adaptation and dynamics of northern social-ecological systems with emphasis on water, ecosystem services, mobilities and system modeling.

Research space need was evaluated through a multi-level analysis that looked at ASF/principal investigator and ASF/research expenditures. Compared to peer institutions, the analysis indicated the need for additional research space in the future.

Because the type of space needed may change over time, new space should be designed flexibly to accommodate changing research and equipment needs. To facilitate student and broad participation in research activities, UAS should continue to seek to consolidate research facilities onto the Auke Lake Campus. One recommendation for consideration is selling the Natural Sciences Research Lab, which is off the Auke Lake Campus and providing additional space more proximate to where the majority UAS’s research is carried out at Anderson Building.

Showcasing Student Success

UAS is short on exhibition space to showcase student work. Showcasing undergraduate research and creative expression is an essential part of creating this community. The new Anderson building is a successful example showcasing research and student research. Anderson should be a model for future projects in order to bring more of this display throughout campus.
Introduction

The Campus Master Plan is designed with the UAS mission, campus-based academic specialties and core themes clearly in mind. It is a dynamic document that engages the broader UAS community in identification of existing and anticipated conditions in light of changing local, regional, and statewide education and training needs. As a major planning tool for future campus development, it invites "continuous improvement" in responding quickly and flexibly to emerging needs and opportunities.

Photo 3.34 New Student Orientation at Juneau Auke Lake
Campus Based Academic Specialties

UAS recognized decades ago that its relatively remote setting required offering quality eLearning/online courses and programs. At the Juneau Campus, faculty have specialized in offering the fully-online Bachelor’s degree in Business Administration and Master’s degree in Public Administration. These fill a need throughout the state of Alaska and with Yukon College, a UAS partner institution in Yukon Territory, Canada. The same is true in the UAS School of Education, which offers a highly-desired Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) program. Students from over 50 communities across Alaska are enrolled in the MAT program, both at the Elementary and Secondary Education levels. UAS also offers eLearning opportunities in Special Education at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. School of Education faculty at UAS are recognized statewide as being particularly effective in educating quality teacher education and educational leadership graduates who readily find employment in the state’s schools.

JUNEAU

The Juneau Campus has a long history of offering both quality face-to-face course offerings and innovative eLearning programs. Of special distinction are courses and programs that capitalize on the campus’ exceptional natural setting: in the heart of Alaska’s coastal temperate rainforest; with a glacier in its backyard; with rich intertidal marine resources just out the door; with a wealth of vibrant community-based cultural histories, languages, and traditions. These provide exceptional opportunities for students in marine biology, biology, environmental sciences, environmental literature, outdoor studies, and much more.

SITKA

Sitka Campus faculty and staff are known across the state for innovation in providing eLearning courses and programs meeting high demand needs in healthcare, fisheries technology, law enforcement, and ports and harbors management. Sitka faculty have pioneered quality online science lab courses for delivery throughout Alaska. They also offer a demanding online degree program in Health Information Management that fulfills the need for skilled personnel in the rapidly changing healthcare technology field.

KETCHIKAN

As one of three UAS campuses, the Ketchikan Campus is recognized for offering innovative online and hybrid courses and programs that meet the needs of students across Alaska. For example, Ketchikan faculty provide leadership in offering the online Bachelor’s degree in Liberal Arts. This is one of very few baccalaureate programs offered completely online within the University of Alaska System. Ketchikan faculty also offer specialized hybrid programs in high-demand workforce areas, including Marine Transportation and Fisheries Technology.
Alignment of Campus Master Plan with UAS Core Themes

The CMP will be used in guiding, developing, and evaluating capital funding needs, designing new facilities and re-purposing those facilities already in place, and in enhancing the built and natural campus environments. The following pages highlight the UAS core themes and identify guiding principles for development of the future campuses. The future campus visions follow the themes, demonstrating the manifestation of the themes in Building Use, Green Space, and Parking and Circulation.

1) STUDENT SUCCESS
➢ Design attractive and inviting facilities to enhance student retention and success
➢ Create campus spaces that integrate active learning, engaged teaching, and community wellness
➢ Increase opportunities for student activities, both indoor and outdoor
➢ Provide spaces for group discussion, study, and gatherings associated with meals
➢ Design centrally-located student housing in Juneau to enhance student life and community engagement
➢ Provide prominent spaces highlighting student accomplishments and success
➢ Showcase the environmental assets of each campus (views, open space, trails)
➢ Provide accessible services for campus-based, commuter, and online students

2) TEACHING AND LEARNING
➢ Design facilities that enhance flexible delivery of eLearning and blended/hybrid programs
➢ Provide quality facilities that enhance distinctive UAS programs and assets
➢ Create inviting interior spaces that encourage and promote a sense of campus community
➢ Consolidate dispersed facilities into integrated academic neighborhoods
➢ Design and construct facilities that promote eLearning and active, engaged learning
➢ Integrate cultures and environments of Southeast Alaska into facility and landscape design

3) COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
➢ Design facilities with attention to safety and security for all members of the UAS community
➢ Construct facilities that advance UAS’ role as major economic contributor in SE Alaska
➢ Develop venues for community events that engage university and broader communities
➢ Share facilities with community partners in support of shared vision and goals
➢ Capitalize on proximity of UAS facilities to adjacent high schools/educational partners
➢ Create a distinctive UAS identity and identifiable ‘front door’ for each campus
➢ Integrate discrete campus facilities by use of consistent signage, media, and graphic elements
➢ Support construction of shared trails and open space adjacent to UAS campuses

4) RESEARCH & CREATIVE EXPRESSION
➢ Provide integrated teaching/research facilities capitalizing on UAS natural environment
➢ Create spaces to showcase undergraduate research and creative expression
➢ Design science/research labs to maximize integration of teaching and research
➢ Shift Natural Sciences Research Lab facilities to Juneau’s Auke Lake Campus
➢ Design flexible facilities to allow quick response to evolving research/teaching needs
In the Tlingit worldview, like many Native worldviews, people and place are intertwined. In other words, they cannot be considered independent of each other. Every person’s sense of being is tied to a particular place. When you relate to the world in this way conversations about the environment and culture tend to become more complex, more meaningful, and more relevant. Take for example, the concept of Wooch.Yax which includes the values of balance, reciprocity, and respect. It is easy to see how Wooch.Yax can be the foundation underneath an enduring master plan.

There are, no doubt, countless Native concepts and values that can inform this master plan. For the current purposes, it might be sufficient to note that the aesthetic value of any Alaska Native design, art and architecture that makes it onto the campus is the least of the reasons to embrace them. The hope is that this distinctive learning community will continue to achieve its potential and truly become a destination of choice that is also appreciated as an indigenous place.

There were at least twenty Kwáans in Southeast Alaska prior to the arrival of outsiders. The Ketchikan Campus is located within Taant’a Kwáan, the Sitka Campus is located within Sheey At’iká (a.k.a. Sheet’ká) Kwáan, and the Juneau Campus is located within Aak’w Kwáan.
Juneau—Building Use

Support Student Success

Multiple gathering spaces are provided in central locations as a resource for commuter students as well as residential students. At Juneau Auke Lake, a new first-year student residence hall with living/learning center will be tucked away in wooded hillside within campus Kwáan. A new student union will provide expanded dining options and relocate the bookstore also within campus Kwáan. A field house/soccer field is located on under utilized parking.

Support Teaching and Learning

Foster a strong and connected academic community where various departments can collaborate and share resources—a community of scholars.

Classroom improvements, relative to modern pedagogy and learning styles, will be achieved through a combination of renovation and new construction. Classroom should be adapted for hybrid learning, and allow for nimbleness.

At Juneau Auke Lake Campus new development is oriented around the Campus Kwáan. Sell Bill Ray Center and consolidate programs on main campus; a small classroom/office building will support relocated programs as well as provide swing space for additional remodel and new construction. Move Health Sciences/UAA Nursing programs to new facilities on Auke Lake Campus; lease or sell underutilized Natural Sciences Research Lab (NSRL) building. Use resources from the sale or lease of this space to help fund the new science building.

Support Community Engagement

The new Cultural Arts Center, which includes a Long House, performance and gathering space, gallery space, and demonstration areas both within the building and outside, will be a distinguishing facility that serves as a resource to the Auke Lake Campus as well as the greater community. The Cultural Arts Center resides at the campus entry to create a signature campus gateway, welcoming students and community alike.

Support Research and Creative Expression

Continue to promote faculty scholarship and undergraduate research through an on-going commitment to providing adequate research laboratories and dedicated space for creative expression. Provide areas for exhibition through campus.
Juneau—Green Space

Support Student Success
The student life experience is augmented by the landscape. Connections made between green spaces, buildings and the greater environment strengthen the relationship between the built and natural environment. Use the landscape to create a sense of place. At Juneau Auke Lake, the Campus Kwáan orients and connects new development.

Support Teaching and Learning
Open space development on campus enhances the student learning experience. The Campus Kwáan at the campus core provides opportunities to recognize and interpret Tlingit cultural heritage of Auke Lake area. This is achieved through cultural art, demonstration areas and signage.

Outdoor learning spaces range from informal outdoor classrooms and gathering spaces to art courtyards, to functional work spaces and access to loading docks.

Support Community Engagement
Streetscape enhancements including signage and light-pole banner/ artwork program are used to create a visual and consistent presence of the multiple university locations within their unique communities.

Campus trails connect campus and community to enable sharing of access to the natural environment through recreation.

Support Research and Creative Expression
Design development to maximize connections to water and access to vistas. At Juneau Auke Lake, demolition of the annexes provides opportunity for expanded art courtyard and recreation. Selective and careful thinning reinforces vistas of surrounding mountains and glaciers at Auke Lake, and vista of Auke Bay near the Cultural Arts Center.

Local food production at Juneau Auke Lake campus is comprised of a working greenhouse and garden area, adjacent to the Recreation Facility, but also in easily accessible to the upper campus student housing precinct via the paved trail.

Figure 3.3 Juneau Auke Lake Green Space
Juneau—Circulation and Parking

Support Access

The previous CMP guided a bold decision at Juneau Auke Lake campus to close a portion of Auke Lake Way to public access. The current CMP continues to support this through promoting greater clarity to the new campus main entrance both as wayfinding and as safety issues arise.

Additional drop-offs at Cultural Arts Center, New Academic Building and Fieldhouse, and Residence Hall accommodate additional people on campus for the various facilities.

As Glacier Highway is transformed by the Department of Transportation, coordinate bus stop locations and schedules with Capital Transit to provide the safest and logical access points to students and community arriving by bus.

Loading areas continue to be focused to rear of building, directing access vehicles to less populated routes. At Juneau Auke Lake, a new limited access road connects facilities services to main campus.

Support Pedestrian and Bicycle Environment

The Campus Kwāan creates a pedestrian-centric core Juneau Auke Lake Campus, building upon the campus greenway. Connect the Anderson Building and Campus Kwāan through new pedestrian path and bridge. Strengthen the connection from the Campus Kwāan to the upper campus student housing precinct and recreation building though marked crosswalks and realigning the pedestrian trail to cross at the vehicular intersection. The University should continue to explore options for a crosswalk light.

Bicycle parking should be located in convenient locations along ped/bicycle routes, with options for covered parking at areas of high use.

Support Parking

The on-campus parking ratio needs careful study in order to determine the appropriate replacement of under utilized parking. Parking at Juneau Auke Lake becomes the site for several new buildings. Additional parking may be provided at the former facilities services site or behind BAS. Continue to share parking with Chapel-by-the-Lake.
Technology Education Center - Building Use

Support Teaching and Learning
At Technical Education Center, consolidate all Career Education programs and office space to create a cohesive campus. Reconfigure the Marine Tech building to accommodate best use of space with the opportunity for a small expansion. Marine transportation and a computer lab will move from Bill Ray to the Technology Education Campus and should be accommodated during the reconfiguration/expansion. Modify lease with City/ Borough of Juneau at TEC to enable building expansion.

Green Space
Support Student Success
Create clear circulation zones between buildings that connect main entrances. Develop a small outdoor gathering area.

Support Community Engagement
Streetscape enhancements including signage and light-pole banner/ artwork program are used to create a visual and consistent presence along Egan Drive. Promote greater visibility by using bridge to Juneau- Douglas High School as a UAS landmark.

Parking and Circulation
Support Teaching and Learning
Outdoor space provides necessary staging areas for programs. Circulation and service zones extend through areas adjacent to buildings for access.

Support Access
Utilize signs and unique landmarks to signify the main entrance/front door to campus.
Support Student Success

Multiple gathering spaces are provided in central locations as a resource for local students. Improve integration of services in all campus buildings through display kiosks and smart signs. At Sitka, bring public functions to the forefront in support of student success. Create clear circulation zones within the building.

Support Teaching and Learning

Foster a strong and connected academic community where various departments can collaborate and share resources—a community of scholars.

Classroom improvements, relative to modern pedagogy and learning styles, will be achieved through a combination of renovation and new construction. Classroom should be adapted for blended instruction and allow for flexibility. Spaces should be adapted and configured to consolidate uses and promote wayfinding. Consolidate uses within the building. Maximize benefits from proximity to Mt. Edgecumbe High School in support of collaboration and secondary-postsecondary links.

Support Community Engagement

Make use of community facilities in supporting UAS programs (e.g. Sitka Sound Science Center, Public Safety Training Academy, Sitka Fine Arts facilities.)

Support Research and Creative Expression

Improve public displays of student learning and creativity.

Support Student Success

The student life experience is augmented by the landscape. Connections made between green spaces, buildings and the greater environment strengthen the relationship between the built and natural environment. Use the landscape to create Campus Kwáan and a sense of place. Improve/ enhance quality of green space and pedestrian circulation adjacent to Sitka Campus building to connect to proposed trail systems, clarify circulation, and provide opportunities for cultural and art displays.

Support Teaching and Learning

Open space development on campus enhances the student learning experience. Outdoor learning spaces range from informal outdoor classrooms and gathering spaces to art courtyards, to functional work spaces and access to loading docks.

Support Community Engagement

Use streetscape enhancements including signage and light-pole banner/ artwork program to create a visual and consistent presence of the multiple university locations within their unique communities. Capitalize on the aviation heritage of Sitka’s unique location to create sculpture and sense of arrival. New house posts have recently been installed at each main entry. Japonski Island Trail connect campus and community to enable sharing of access to the natural environment through recreation.

Support Research and Creative Expression

Design development to maximize connections to water and access to vistas.
**Sitka—Circulation and Parking**

**Support Access**
Loading areas continue to be focused to rear of building, directing access vehicles to less populated routes. Zones are created at various locations that coordinate loading functions with academic functions.

**Support Pedestrian and Bicycle Environment**
Provide a distinct and clear path for pedestrians and bicycles. Continue to provide sheltered bike parking.

**Support Parking**
Utilize moveable planters to define parking. Location ADA accessible parking at all public doors, including side door that links to the testing area.

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**Ketchikan—Building Use**

**Support Student Success**
A new central hub connection provides the home for student support spaces. Improve integration of services in all campus buildings through display kiosks and smart signs.

Enhance relationship between KIC and Lower Campus.

**Support Teaching and Learning**
Foster a strong and connected academic community where various departments can collaborate and share resources—a community of scholars.

Classroom improvements, relative to modern pedagogy and learning styles, will be achieved through a combination of renovation and new construction. Classroom should be adapted for hybrid learning, and allow for nimbleness. Spaces should be adapted and configured to consolidate uses and promote wayfinding.

**Support Community Engagement**
Consider partnerships to utilize facilities in community, such as the Alaska Marine Highway site and the Ketchikan Shipyard site.

**Support Research and Creative Expression**
Improve public displays of student learning and creativity.
Ketchikan—Green Space

Support Student Success

The student life experience is augmented by the landscape. Connections made between green spaces, buildings and the greater environment strengthen the relationship between the built and natural environment. Use the landscape to create a sense of place. Improve outdoor setting and access, and create a deliberate arrival point at both upper and lower campuses.

Support Teaching and Learning

Open space development on campus enhances the student learning experience. The lower campus uses proximity to harbor for maritime access and the new Davit dock.

Support Community Engagement

Streetscape enhancements including signage and light-pole banner/artwork program are used to create a visual and consistent presence of the multiple university locations within their unique communities.

Campus trails connect campus and community to enable sharing of access to the natural environment through recreation.

Support Research and Creative Expression

Design development to maximize connections to water and access to vistas.

Ketchikan—Circulation and Parking

Support Access

Utilize signs and unique landmarks to signify the main entrance/front door to campus.

Loading areas continue to be focused to rear of building, directing access vehicles to less populated routes. Create and define a zone that coordinates loading functions with academic functions at Ketchikan Lower Campus.

Support Pedestrian and Bicycle Environment

Develop pedestrian circulation to provide a distinct and clear path.

Bicycle parking should be located in convenient locations along ped/bicycle routes, with options for covered parking at areas of high use.

Support Parking

Reconfigure and pave parking at Ketchikan lower campus.
5.0 IMPLEMENTATION

Introduction

The following section outlines implementation strategies. A series of detailed actions accompanies the set of drawings that illustrate Current Projects and Priorities, Mid Term Projects (2014-2019), and Long Term Projects (2019 and Beyond). A precise implementation schedule is not specified in order to allow flexibility for programmatic changes and potential funding shifts.

Each project proposed in the UAS Campus Master Plan should build upon the Core Themes of the Strategic Plan. The accompanying matrices link each project to the Core Themes.

Photo 3.1 Chancellor John Pugh and Bill Sheffield at Bridge Dedication

Photo 3.2 Stair Construction at TEC
Current Projects And Priorities

The current projects and priorities phase focuses on currently planned and funded projects. Goals include campus visibility and creating sense of place through simple, strategic site strategies at all campuses.

With the strategic decision to sell Bill Ray Center and potentially NSRL, this phase sets the stage at Juneau Auke Lake to add additional buildings in the immediate future and continue to solidify the campus core.

### CORE THEMES

I. STUDENT SUCCESS  
II. TEACHING AND LEARNING  
III. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT  
IV. RESEARCH & CREATIVE EXPRESSION

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**Figure 3.1**

Juneau Auke Lake - Current Projects and Priorities
Mid-Term Projects And Priorities (2014-2019)

Mid-term projects correspond with the CIP plan. Student success is a main priority. These projects continue to focus on fostering the student experience with new dining hall / student union, student support spaces and classroom renovations.

Alternate options should be explored to test likely scenarios including the new dining hall/student center and remodeling Mourant, or building an academic classroom / academic office building.

The Annexes become valuable swing space to help accommodate renovations.

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**Building Improvements**

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Figure 5.2 Juneau Auke Lake - Mid-Term Projects and Priorities
Long Term Projects And Priorities (2019 And Beyond)

Long term projects place focus on additional amenities to improve student life experience, facilities to enhance community connections, and continued growth for classroom space including renovations.

The gradual shifting of buildings at the heart of campus/campus core allows for the demolition of the Soboleff Annex and the creation of an active/passive recreation zone along Auke Lake.

CORE THEMES

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Photo 3.5 Typical Long House Frame, source: http://www.shortstreet.net/NA/naplankho.htm

Figure 5.3 Juneau Auke Lake - Long Term Projects and Priorities

LEGEND
- New Construction
- Renovation
- Demolition
- Existing Campus Buildings
- Greenspace Improvements
- Circulation Improvements
The UAS campuses should be designed with a level of distinction that reflects this mission and incorporates the rich cultures, languages, arts, and environments of Southeast Alaska. Achieving this goal involves capitalizing on the exquisite natural environment of our campuses. It involves designs based upon artistic expression and cultural diversity. It includes a sense of transparency and access, collaboration, and creative use of space. It means designing to be a good neighbor in our communities. And it includes designs that take the long view—building with sustainability and stewardship in mind. Each of these values and sayings should serve as guiding principles in the design of campus buildings and open space. Therefore, the following questions should be posed throughout the development of future projects:

How does the project express institutional qualities of:
- Excellence through continuous improvement and innovation?
- Diversity of cultures, talents, abilities and educational goals?
- Collaboration within and beyond the university?
- Access to all?
- Sustainability and stewardship?
- Does the project recognize the significance of Southeast Alaska cultures through:
  - Concept of Campus Kwaan?
  - Relationship between people and the land?
  - Being a good neighbor and contributing to community?
  - Does the project integrate aspects of the surrounding natural world?

**Design Guidelines**

The purpose of the Campus Design Guidelines is to encourage and inform design for new construction and renovation projects in support of the University’s mission and to promote a coherent identity for its three campuses in Juneau, Ketchikan, and Sitka. The purpose of the Guidelines is to achieve a balance between the Campus Master Plan guiding principles and the judgment that must be exercised for each implementation project, so that the campuses are developed in a thoughtful and consistent manner over an extended period of time. The desired result is an integrated regional university with cohesive campuses in which the parts all relate to one another, regardless of their location and when they are built.

These guidelines are intended to serve as a living document that supports innovation, safety, flexibility, and sustainability over time. They provide for evolving uses, while enhancing the visual and civic integrity of the campuses and the surrounding areas.

**1.0 Campus Character**

**1.1 Identity: Coherence and Unifying Multiple Campuses**

UAS’ mission focuses on student learning. In support of this mission, the university subscribes to a set of values that inform this plan. These values are: Excellence, Diversity, Access, Collaboration, Sustainability, and Stewardship. These values must be integrated into, and reflected in, the design of UAS facilities.

The university’s motto “Learn, Engage, Change” reflects the spirit of our UAS mission and the core themes of the UAS Strategic and Assessment Plan, 2010-2017.
1.3 Contextual Response

Qualities unique to each site such as views, topography, natural features and neighborhood character should inform a design response that celebrates distinct qualities of each campus and grounds the campus to its place. Building and open space form and orientation should take into account the exceptional features of the campus setting. When possible and appropriate, adjacent natural environments should be brought into the design as a campus feature. Questions to pose throughout development of future projects should include:

- How are unique aspects of the site and campus captured in the design? Consider:
  - Views
  - Topography
  - Natural features
  - Cultural setting
  - Character of the surrounding area
  - Relationship to surrounding bodies of water

1.2 Campus Identity and Character

While institution-wide identity is important, each campus must also respond to its own unique context and conditions. Strategies such as physically clear edges that identify the campus core, easily identifiable entries and significant open spaces, help to make a campus distinct. Consistent elements across the building design approach are also important tools (ex. materials, detailing, roof slopes, fenestration, etc.) that help establish and/or strengthen identity and character and should be considered for each campus. Questions to pose throughout the development of future projects are:

- Does the project contribute to strengthening a sense of the campus core?
- Does the project help to define open spaces expressed in the campus master plan?
- Does the project strengthen campus identity and visibility?
1.5 Response to Climate

The University of Alaska Southeast is located in a temperate rainforest. Its location between the coastal mountain range—with its glaciers and icefields—and Alaska’s Inside Passage create unique maritime climatic conditions. Aspects of a maritime climate such as rain, fog, snow, freeze-thaw cycles, wind direction and the occasional clear sunny day should be considered while identifying building and open space orientation. Buildings should be designed to capitalize on the region’s exceptional views and viewsheds, which make for inviting instructional and work spaces. Because Southeast Alaska is often cloud-covered, members of the university community treasure natural lighting; thus, wherever possible buildings should be designed to bring natural light into classrooms, offices, and gathering spaces. While days with access to the sun’s warmth and direct light can be rare, there should be opportunities to take advantage of these events when they do occur.

• Does the project take into account maritime climatic conditions of SE Alaska’s temperate rainforest? Consider:
  o Amount of rainfall
  o Snow, ice and freeze-thaw cycles
  o Taku winds
  o Amount of daylight
  o Cost-effective utilization of alternative energy sources
  o Natural lighting
  o Energy designs for long-term sustainability

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1.4 Cultural Response

UAS is simultaneously rooted in the cultural history and landscape of Southeast Alaska and its place in the modern world. The campus culture embraces the environment and cultures of southeast Alaska, including the rich history and tradition of the original people of this region—Tlingit, Haida and Tsimshian who have lived here for thousands of years. Contemporary communities are diverse and modest in size but are rich in history and in economic and cultural activity. The region’s economy today is centered on fishing, mining, tourism and government. It is a region of abundant natural resources, resilient communities and unsurpassed beauty. The Cultural Response to design should be rooted in Haa Shagoon—a vibrant Campus which reflects, celebrates and interprets our built environment with knowledge of the rich cultural history of the past together with future generations as we wish them to see us. Together this should work in harmony on the design approach to the campus built environment as a symbol of our place in this time. Questions to consider during the design process may include:

• Does the project approach consider the environment and cultures of Southeast Alaska while simultaneously looking at the past, and the future, with the greatest consideration to the campus at this place in this time?
• Does the project consider visual and artistic aspects of the original people of this region—the Tlingit, Haida and Tsimshian—in the design process and character of the building?
1.6 Relationship between Campus and Community

Campus edges and entries are the public face of the university. For visitors and the University of Alaska Southeast community, the dominant impression of the University is created by these edges. Campus edges and entrances must provide an appropriate reflection of the character and quality of campus without creating barriers. Campus edges should have visual features that clearly define campus boundaries (e.g., landscape plantings and elements, lighting standards, banners identifying the UAS, signage, forest edges, bodies of water, etc.). Signage should be unified, consistent, scaled appropriately, and limited in number and aimed to the first-time visitor. Other recommendations at the campus edges might include:

- Public art to provide a campus feel.
- Consistent landscape treatment.
- Select open views into campus

The Campus “Front Door” serves as the transition between the campus and the surrounding community and should clearly indicate arrival to the campus. The campus “Front Door” should create a welcoming appearance and a sense of arrival to UAS. The “Front Door” should promote long term vision and quality in development through

- Distinctive and consistent signage, including text, form and color
- Streetscape enhancements through the use of banners, plantings and pedestrian walkways
- Enhancement of cultural and environmental awareness through signage
- Proximity of transit stops to the campus “Front Door”

1.7 Relationship between Buildings and Campus

Landscape. The functionality and aesthetic quality of the campus depends on the design of buildings, open space and circulation being conceived in concert, with the intent of enhancing each other. Building placement can define open space and affect the quality of that space through shadows and scale, depending on time and season. The scale of open space formed between buildings should be determined intentionally. For example, a campus’ most significant landscape should be grander in scale and character than the smaller more intimate spaces that are part of the open space network of campuses with multiple buildings.

- How does the project support and define existing or future landscape as expressed in the master plan?

Circulation. A building’s relationship to campus circulation should be designed to help clarify a campus’ organizing structure. Main entrances should be clearly identified and relate to the pedestrian circulation and pathways, incorporating a combination of indoor and outdoor gathering places to accommodate informal conversations and gatherings where appropriate. The pedestrian environment should dominate. Questions for consideration in implementing design might include:

- How does the project help to clarify the campus organizing structure?
- Does the project clearly identify entrances?
- Does the project successfully connect to and support the campus pedestrian circulation system?
- Are indoor and outdoor relationships strengthened with the project design?
2.2 Scale and Massing

Building massing should be determined by functions, program, context and the future vision of the campus.

- The overall scale - size, footprint, height, and profile relate to surrounding buildings and open space.
- Typically buildings will be “in scale” with their environment, similar to their surroundings and appropriate to the development area and use, unless the building or site is a landmark or special use deserving special prominence.
- If the vision expressed in the campus master plan includes the predominance of future buildings at a larger scale than existing, the project should be designed to contribute to this future vision.
- Existing site features also inform massing such as topography where the design response can respect and utilize existing slopes.
- The repetition of building elements at a variety of scales will bring a unifying character to the building and still provide rhythm and variation.
- Massing should also be determined by interior quality of space. For example, interior daylighting is maximized with shallow floor plates, daylight atriums, skylights, and increased building perimeter (65-85’ is the recommended maximum building width for academic programs).

Questions to pose include:
- Is the project scale and massing appropriate to the program?
- Is the scale massing appropriate to the site and context?
- Does the scale and massing take advantage of unique and positive site features?
2.3 Materials

Material choices should emphasize integrity of materials in their natural state. They should be of a permanent nature, able to age well, and express appropriate craftsmanship in their detailing and application. Material options will vary depending upon the campus area and function, but consideration should be given to use of local materials whenever feasible.

New buildings should be designed to encourage a visual fusion of indoor and outdoor spaces through transparency. Each exterior building wall should be thought of as both a specific means of containing and defining interior space, and as an element that defines the campus. Transparency increases awareness of and feeling of connection with the campus setting. Solid walls, particularly at ground level, emphasize boundaries and separation, undermining the notion of the campus as a public space.

Questions to pose during design might include:

- Do the proposed materials offer a sense of integrity to their natural state?
- Are materials chosen durable and able to age well?
- Is there an appropriate use of solid vs. transparent walls?

2.4 Building Entrances

At primary building entrances, the exterior spaces should be developed from materials and forms that complement the building architecture and that do not compete with the facade.

- Integrated accessible entries should be provided at all new buildings and provide appropriate weather protection with particular attention to precipitation and to snow and ice buildup.
- When possible, entrance spaces should provide for informal seating.
- Amenities should be provided at all primary building entrance spaces including waste receptacles and bicycle racks; these should be located in a non-obtrusive way while being visible and convenient.

2.6 Service Areas

Loading and Service areas should be designed to meet functional requirements of each building they serve, but care should be taken to appropriately screen and protect these areas.

2.7 Mechanical Areas

Areas devoted exclusively to mechanical equipment should be designed so that their visibility from public areas and building entries, including walkways, is minimized.
3.0 Landscape Guidelines

The University of Alaska Southeast is situated in such an arena of spectacular scenic beauty that the landscape guidelines should focus on the larger natural world while emphasizing the University’s connections to it. Campus elements should be organized in a purposeful manner that conveys the history of place, cultural traditions, educational mission and location of the University of Alaska Southeast. The landscaped spaces should tie the built environment together in a cohesive manner which reinforces the sense of a modern campus in a wilderness setting.

3.1 Image and Entrance (see Campus “Front Door”)

- Provide landscaping to complement distinctive signage which creates a of arrival at campuses’ “front doors”
- Provide streetscape enhancements along property bordering public rights-of-way that include banners, plantings, and pedestrian walkways
- Create signage to enhance cultural and environmental awareness
- Refer to UAS Signage System Manual and Construction Specification for specific details

3.2 Outdoor Gathering and Interchange

- Develop a system of spaces adjacent and visible to campus with unifying design elements
- Develop spaces to provide flexibility in the variety of uses, from small to large scale gathering, concerts, ceremonies, demonstration, and recreation
- Develop spaces in coordination with pedestrian circulation routes that encourages multi-directional traffic flows and interchange
- Situate gathering spaces in visible locations with consideration of light and seasonal conditions to promote use and participation
- Provide opportunity for interpretive elements that connect the cultural and environmental histories of each campus
- “Lifestyle Experience” in the common spaces serve to make those spaces comfortable and well used, including open seating fixtures, and less formal shapes to landscape features
3.3 Circulation
- Build upon/Expand pedestrian greenway corridor to develop a network of connected routes that connect buildings as well as outdoor gathering spaces with a clear, safe, direct route of travel
- Minimize pedestrian and vehicular points of conflict
- Use paving with the colored and textural feelings that identify areas as appropriate for various uses
- Provide provisions for snow removal from pedestrian, vehicular and service circulation routes
  - Always develop a plan for snow removal and storage, and provide safe and secure routes between activity areas
  - Provide snow storage areas in each zone, to be easily accessed and easily removed when it reaches critical mass
  - The use of removable planters with trees, shrubs and flowering plants as space definers is a desirable solution to snow management problems
- Screen parking areas with plantings
- Use topography to nestle parking below sightlines
- Minimize vehicular circulation within campus
- Orient service areas away from primary pedestrian areas

3.4 Planting Strategies
- Plan and develop individual landscape projects with the unifying theme of Low Maintenance, Environmental Sustainability, and Native Plant Community Integration.
  - Create a sustainable and aesthetic landscape through
    - Preservation and restoration of certain natural landscape features, including evergreen forest and native understory
    - Create a low maintenance footprint using native species together with low maintenance shrubs and perennials to create environmental sustainability
    - Selectively trim and prune plantings to improve sightlines to view corridors (Auke Lake, Auke Bay and the mountains beyond)
    - Minimize the amount of intensively maintained landscape
    - Create optimal views to building entrances through the use of landscape elements
    - Use of removable planters with trees, shrubs and flowering plants to define space (a desirable solution to managing snow removal)
    - Aggressively remove invasive species