

# The Persistence

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## Persistence in Focus: James “Jay” Bauman

James (Jay) Bauman grew up in Juneau and one of his first goals, like many of us, was to get out of Juneau and see some of the rest of the world. He accomplished that goal by joining the U.S. Marine Corps. After boot camp in San Diego, CA and training at Fort Leonard Wood, MO in the School of Logistical

Vehicle Systems, Jay went to Okinawa, Japan for a year. After that he spent 2 1/2 years in Oahu, Hawaii and finished his service time in Thailand. While in the Marine Corps, Jay discovered that he enjoyed being of service to others, but at the same time, realized that he didn't want to depend on physical strength to earn an income for life. Instead, he wanted to be the first in his family to get a college degree and find a new way to spend his life helping others.

Jay enrolled at UAS in the Spring of 2004 and it was here that a new found appreciation for mathematics led him to pursue it as his major area of study. Jay says he likes the way math

is used to set up a problem and follow logical steps towards creating a creditable solution that can be easily duplicated. Jay has almost completed his goal of being the first in his family to graduate, but is also focusing on his new goal of attending law school. His interest in law school was born from a desire to find a more personal level of helping people. He believes it is a field where he can translate the logical progression of problem solving he discovered in mathematics to the practice of law.

Jay was recently accepted into the Oklahoma City University School of Law and the Thomas M. Cooley Law School with a scholarship. TRiO wishes him well with his future ambitions!

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### Another TRiO Student Gets to Travel!

Kari Dammerman, a TRiO student and Peer Mentor, has been chosen from a large pool of applicants to participate in the National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates Program. She will be working this summer full-time on the “Conservation Genetics of Sharks,” a project with Dr. J.M. Quattro at the University of South Carolina. Kari was chosen on the basis of her research potential, relevant skills (e.g. a certified scuba diver), career goals, and academic references. Kari will receive a stipend, travel expenses and housing for her participation.



Way to go, Kari — Congratulations!

### 2008 Internship Opportunities List

The UAS Career Services website (maintained by Steve Laing) now contains a list of organizations and agencies offering internship opportunities for 2008. Check them out at:

<http://www.uas.alaska.edu/careerservices>

### Upcoming Job Fair

Looking for a summer job? Go to the Community Job Fair, sponsored by the Department of Labor, at the Centennial Hall on Wednesday, March 12 from 2:00pm-6:00pm. If you need help fixing your current resume or creating a new one, contact Lisa here at the TRiO office at 796-6306 or [lisa.bogert@uas.alaska.edu](mailto:lisa.bogert@uas.alaska.edu).

## Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program

The U.S. Dept of State and the Bureau of Educational Affairs is offering eligible students up to **\$5000** to study abroad for one academic year.

**Eligible students are those receiving Federal Pell Grants and planning on studying abroad in countries other than Cuba and those currently under the U.S. State Travel Warning.**

This program aims towards awarding students from diverse backgrounds, under-represented fields of study, minority-serving institutions (including 2-year colleges), and students with disabilities. To find out how to apply please contact the TRiO office at 796-6325 or visit the website at: <http://www.iie.org/gilman>

## TRiO Scholarship Deadline

TRiO Scholarship applications were sent out to everyone last month. The deadline is March 31st! If you need an application, contact the TRiO office at 796-6306 or email [lisa.bogert@uas.alaska.edu](mailto:lisa.bogert@uas.alaska.edu) for a virtual copy. **Just a reminder, you won't be considered for a TRiO scholarship unless you fill out the application!**

Please contact the TRiO office for eligibility requirements and with any questions about the scholarship!

## Local Scholarships

- \* **Arthur Demmert Sr. Scholarship**
  - Deadline for Fall: August 15
  - Scholarship amount: \$300 per semester
  - Website: [www.anbgrandcamp.org/scholarships.htm](http://www.anbgrandcamp.org/scholarships.htm)
- \* **Goldbelt Scholarship**
  - Deadline: July 31st
  - Eligibility requirement: must be a Goldbelt shareholder or shareholder descent
  - Website: [http://www.goldbelt.com/sh\\_services/scholarships.html](http://www.goldbelt.com/sh_services/scholarships.html)

Please contact us if you have any questions about these scholarships.

## Student Employee of the Month

Congratulations to Kristina from the TRiO office for being named the UAS Student Employee of the Month!



## Midterms

Yikes! We're half way through the semester and its time for midterms! If you need help preparing for any of your midterms, stop by the TRiO office to see if we can get a tutor for you. Better come quick though, midterms are already here.

## Tax Prep Assistance

Need help with those taxes? Go to the Mendenhall Public Library (now until April 15th) between noon and 4 pm on any Sunday to get free help from AARP volunteers.



## Arts and Sciences Tuition Waiver

The Arts and Sciences department here at UAS currently has a tuition waiver opportunity for students who are enrolled in one of their degree programs. The application **deadline is Friday, March 14** and you can get a copy of the application from the TRiO office. The application requires your advisors' signature and it must be submitted in person to Heather Beaudette located in Sobolef 203.