# <u>University of Alaska Anchorage</u> (End of) January Counselor Newsletter

# **NEW EVENTS: Academic Insights (series of events for seniors)**

While we are not holding a Spring Preview Day this year, we are trying a new collection of smaller and more focused events targeted for seniors or other students entering college starting Fall 2018 called Academic Insights. The events are divided mostly by college and will go deeper than previous Preview Day programming. Students will be able to meet faculty members, see relevant facilities or technology, and hear from current students and graduates of the program. Seniors who have applied to UAA will be receiving invitations, but any other seniors who have an idea of what they would like to study and are considering UAA are welcome to RSVP and attend also. More information can be found on the <u>Academic Insights website</u> where students will be encouraged to register.

# **Transcripts**

We need two transcripts for seniors applying to UAA:

- 1. In-progress transcript. This can be emailed to <a href="mailto:application-documents@uaa.alaska.edu">application-documents@uaa.alaska.edu</a>
- 2. Final, official transcript after student has graduated. It should show the student's full name, date of birth, name of school, all completed semesters of high school with grades, cumulative GPA, and graduation date.

Our mailing address for transcripts and additional information can be found <a href="here">here</a>. Please note we are no longer using our PO Box address.

### **Scholarships**

Right now is a great time for students to be working on scholarships! Here are some resources:

- <u>UAA Scholarship application</u> Deadline: Feb 15, 2018. Students will need to <u>apply for admission</u> first as they will need a UA Username and password to log into the scholarship application..
- 2. <u>Private Scholarships</u>: this is a list of scholarship opportunities, many of which are for Alaskan students
- 3. <u>CIRI scholarship guide</u>: Listing of scholarships from a variety of Native Corporations and organizations as well as more general scholarships based on major of interest. The link under the picture allows you to download the document.
- 4. <u>Scholarship Search Engines</u>: Websites students can trust to search for additional scholarships to apply for.

#### How to Become a Seawolf (pathway to enrollment document)

For a presentation during the Alaska School Counselor Association conference, Valerie, one of our Admissions Counselors, created a document to show the steps of our Admissions process along with resources on the back. If you would like to download it, you can access it <a href="here">here</a>. (And feel free to give us feedback on anything else that would help you in all of the amazing work you do!).

#### **Application fee waivers**

UAA grants application fee waivers for students with demonstrated financial need (eligible for SAT/ACT fee waiver, free/reduced lunch, etc). A student needs to complete their admissions application and then have their counselor or school official confirm their eligibility by sending this

form to admissions@uaa.alaska.edu. We'll email the student when the form has been processed so they can log back in and submit their application.

#### **Contact Information**

Feel free to reach out to us with any of your UAA-related questions.

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