



UAF 2025 CONSTRUCTION PLAN

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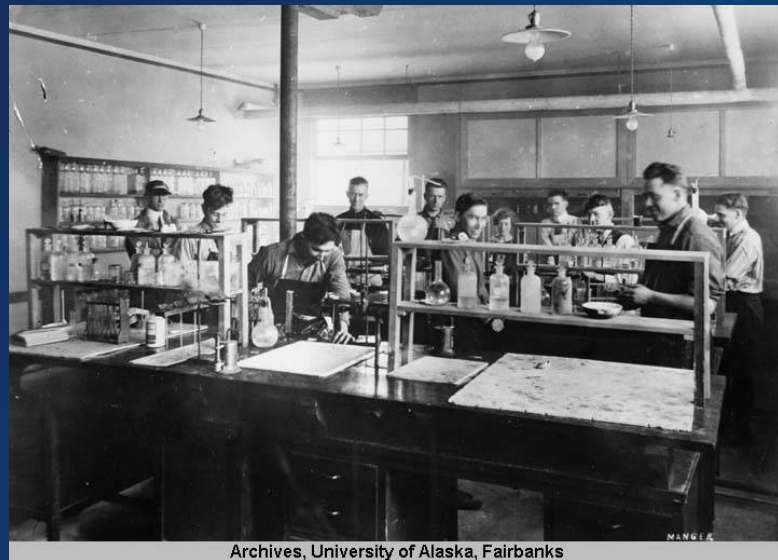
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2025 CONSTRUCTION PRIORITIES

Focus on Student Success through
Modernization, Life Safety, and tackling our
Deferred Renewal backlog

Strengthen Leadership in Alaska Native and
Indigenous programs

Achieve Tier 1 Research Status



OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES

01

Diversified Project Funding

State, Federal, and Private Sector capital funding and donations

02

Aging Facilities and Infrastructure

Accumulating Deferred Renewal is creating barriers to academic programs and research projects.

03

Private-Public-Partnerships (P3)

UAF is actively working on projects that will utilize P3 development and financing methods.

04

Inconsistent Funding, Rising Costs

State funding for deferred renewal has been lacking for the past 12 years, compounded by sharp construction cost increases.

2024 Construction

Rasmuson Student Success Center

- \$9,000,000 Total Project Cost
- 20,000 square feet of renewal and repurposing
- Completed in August 2024
- GHEMM Company, LLC and Bettisworth North Architects and Planners



2024 Construction

Moore and Bartlett Hall Modernization

- \$32,000,000 Total Project Cost
- 14 floors of dormitory restroom renewal and sleeping room renovations
- Completed in August 2024 after 13 months
- GHEMM Company, LLC and Bettisworth North Architects and Planners



2025 Construction in Progress

**UAMN 65-Seat Planetarium:
Davis Constructors**



Through a private donation and a grant, a 65-seat planetarium will be built as an addition to the UA Museum of the North.

**Duckering Building Lab
Ventilation Upgrades: Siemens**



Lab ventilation is precisely controlled with a variable air volume system that is no longer supported and labs are being taken offline. The work will update the controllers for the labs.

**Univ. Park Condensate Line:
Pro Built, LLC**



The project will replace a failed condensate line between University Park and the Power Plant. University Park is home to the future UAF Childcare Facility.

2025-2026 Construction

UFD Fire Station 12 Addition:
Bids April/May 2025



Construct new living quarters and an apparatus bay for the University Fire Department station on University Avenue.

Duckering Fire Alarm
Replacement (CMAR)



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Patty Center Pool Code
Corrections: Bids Fall 2025



Substantial code corrections, including the replacement HVAC and a new exterior wall assembly to add a vapor barrier. The project will also construct a 2nd fire exit from the pool deck.

2025-2026 Construction

Fine Arts Salisbury Theater Code
Corrections: Bids Fall 2025



Ongoing code corrections in the Salisbury Theater will renovate the theater area to provide required fire walls and separations, and install ADA-compliant features such as an exterior ramp and new elevator.

University Park Childcare
Facility: Bids Fall 2025



Renewal of approx. 15,000 square feet of the University Park Building, to include tenant improvements for the UAF Childcare Facility. Work includes interior remodel, a new roof, and two playgrounds.

Akasofu Fourth Floor Tenant
Improvements: Bids May 2025



Updates to the fourth floor in the Akasofu building will repurpose an older computer lab into office, conference, and study spaces.

Projects in Design (construction pending final funding)

Troth Yeddha' Indigenous Studies Center



UAF Emergency Services Facility



Chukchi Campus Compliance Renewal

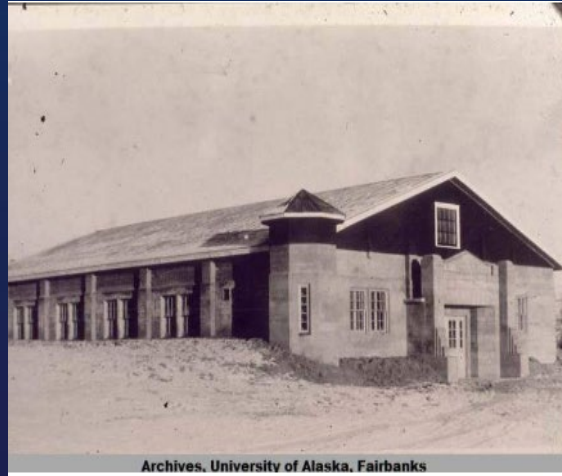


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Seward Marine Center Dock Replacement



Eielson Building Deferred Renewal



Archives, University of Alaska, Fairbanks

Lola Tilly Renewal for Welcome Center

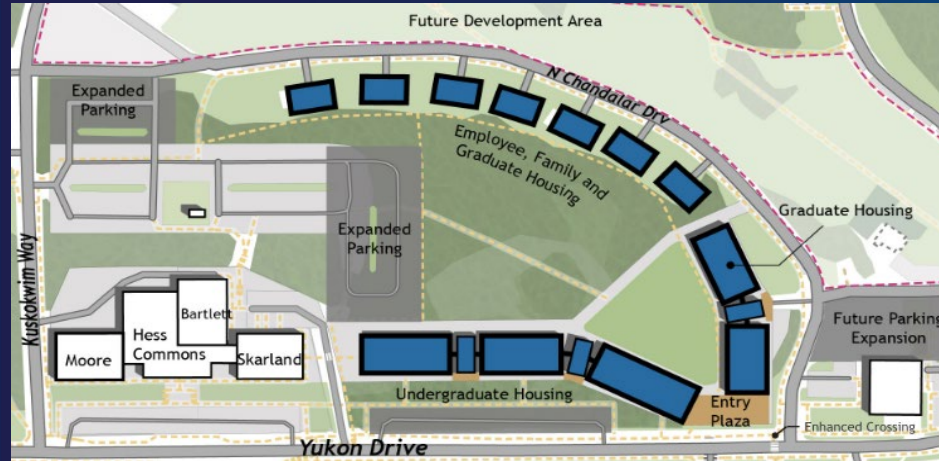
Lola Tilly Commons Renovation

UAF Welcome Center



UAF Housing Revitalization 2026-2029

- The UAF Housing Revitalization project will provide new, modern housing for undergraduate and graduate students on the Troth Yedda' Campus.
- New housing will replace decades-old residence halls and apartment buildings with substantial accumulated deferred maintenance needs.
- 400-450 beds in Higher-density undergrad and graduate housing, suite style and efficiency apartments.
- 25-30 two-bedroom townhouses to support employees, families, and graduate students
- Financial modeling indicates P3 development with UAF equity.



Key project delivery input from Industry

01

Transparency in Process

Updated bid schedules online, RFP's with clearer scoring criteria, public forums for process input.

02

Bid Document Quality Control

Use of Bluebeam throughout Design timelines allows wider range of input and review across design, construction and PM teams.

03

Modernized Delivery Methods

Electronic bidding, new alternative construction delivery methods, and cooperative purchasing have improved project delivery efficiency.

04

Offer opportunities for feedback

Post-award debriefs, information sharing, and specific feedback on proposal content, formatting, and improvements.



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industry!**

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