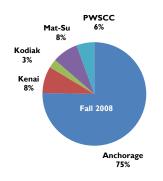


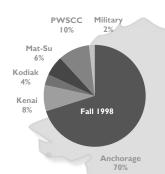
# UAA STUDENT PROFILE

# All Campuses Fall 2008

# UAA, Now . . . . . and Then

Credit Students	Fall 08	Fall 98
Headcount	19,728	19,336
% Female	60%	61%
% Traditional age (18-	-24) 44%	31%
% Ethnic Minority	24%	18%
% Cert/Degree-Seeki	ng 58%	45%
% Full-Time	38%	31%





# **Distinguishing Features**

The University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) is a **multi-campus** public university serving a diverse range of communities throughout Southcentral Alaska. The university consists of

- A large urban campus in Anchorage;
- Four community campuses (Kenai Peninsula College, Kodiak College, Matanuska-Susitna College, and the separately accredited Prince William Sound Community College);
- Extended campuses in Chugiak/Eagle River, Seward, Homer, Cordova, and the Copper Basin; and
- Military education centers at Fort Richardson and Elmendorf Air Force Base.

There are significant differences between the student profiles at each campus, reflective of their relative sizes and the communities they serve.

UAA's student profile also reflects the **dual mission** of academic excellence and open access. The fastest-growing segments of the population (particularly in Anchorage) include traditional-age students with strong high school achievement and baccalaureate degree-seeking goals. Nevertheless, the student body overall continues to be characterized by

- High percentages of part-time students
- High percentages of non degree-seeking students
- Low percentages of traditional-age students

# Matanuska-Susitna College

Credit Students	Fall 08	Fall 98	
Headcount	1,636	1,236	
% Female	65%	70%	4
% Traditional age (18-24)	44%	31%	
% Ethnic Minority	14%	10%	
% Cert/Degree-Seeking	32%	27%	
% Full-Time	22%	27%	

# **Kodiak College**

Credit Students	Fall 08	Fall 98
Headcount	559	665
% Female	71%	68%
% Traditional age (18-24)	25%	18%
% Ethnic Minority	25%	20%
% Cert/Degree-Seeking	22%	12%
% Full-Time	9%	4%

# Kenai Peninsula College

Credit Students	Fall 08	Fall 98
Headcount	1,699	1,602
% Female	59%	67%
% Traditional age (18-24)	41%	23%
% Ethnic Minority	13%	9%
% Cert/Degree-Seeking	31%	22%
% Full-Time	19%	21%

### **Anchorage Campus**

Credit Students	Fall 08	Fall 98
Headcount	15,359	13,559
% Female	61%	62%
% Traditional age (18-24)	46%	36%
% Ethnic Minority	27%	20%
% Cert/Degree-Seeking	67%	57%
% Full-Time	41%	38%

# Prince William Sound Community College

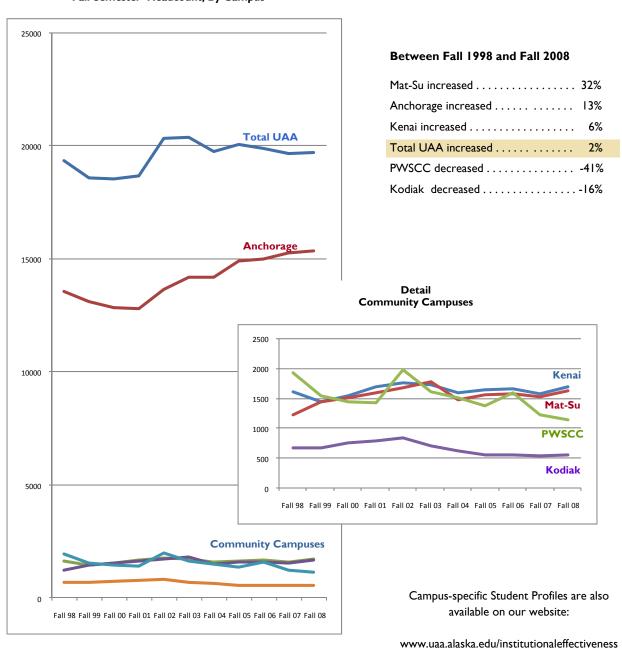
Credit Students	Fall 08	Fall 98
Headcount	1,143	1,926
% Female	43%	50%
% Traditional age (18-24)	21%	11%
% Ethnic Minority	21%	14%
% Cert/Degree-Seeking	11%	7%
% Full-Time	6%	5%



# Trends, by Campus

**Headcount** increased 2% overall from Fall 1998 to Fall 2008, with particularly strong increases in Anchorage (13%), at Matanuska-Susitna College (32%), and at Kenai Peninsula College (6%). Anchorage headcount now makes up over 75% of the UAA total, up from 70% in Fall 1998. During the same period, Kodiak College decreased 16% and Prince William Sound Community College decreased 41%.

### Fall Semester Headcount, By Campus



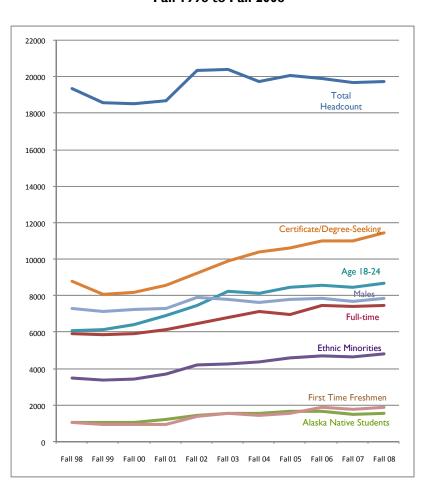
**Sources:** UAA Office of Institutional Research. Fall Semester Closing Reports. Credit students only.

# Trends, By Student Characteristic

- Males increased 8% overall between Fall 1998 and Fall 2008, while females decreased by about a half a percent.
- Traditional age students (18-24) increased 42% overall, with particularly strong increases in the 20-24 age group (52%). The 50-59 age group also increased 10%, and the 60 and over age group increased 29%. On the other hand, the 0-17 age group declined 7%, the 30-39 age group decreased 25% and the 40-49 age group decreased 41%.
- Ethnic minority students increased 37% overall, with particularly strong increases in Asian/Pacific Islanders (89%), Alaska Natives (50%), Hispanics (35%), and American Indians (1%). However, African Americans decreased by 12% over the same period.
- White students declined both in percentage of the student population and in real numbers, from 14,731 in Fall 1998 to 13,641 in Fall 2008, a 7% decrease over the period.
- Degree-seeking students increased 30%, with particularly strong increases in first-time freshmen (74%) and in Anchorage-based baccalaureate (53%) and graduate (39%) programs. Counter to these trends, undergraduate certificate and associate-level programs decreased by 8% over the ten-year period.
- Full-time students increased 26%, with particularly strong increases in Anchorage (23%), at Kodiak College (92%), and at Matanuska-Susitna College (9%). However, full-time students decreased at Kenai Peninsula College by 5% and at Prince William Sound Community College by 27% over the ten-year period.

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Credit Students	Fall 98	Fall 08	Change
Headcount	19,336	19,728	2%
Male	7,287 (38%)	7,842 (40%)	8%
Traditional age (18-24)	6,086 (31%)	8,655 (44%)	42%
Ethnic Minority	3,510 (18%)	4,820 (24%)	37%
Cert/Degree-Seeking	8,790 (45%)	11,448 (58%)	30%
Full-Time	5,950 (31%)	7,472 (38%)	26%
First-time Freshmen	1,078 (6%)	1,876 (10%)	74%

# Trends for Selected Characteristics Fall 1998 to Fall 2008

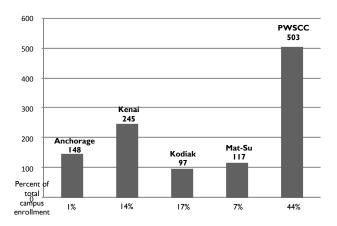


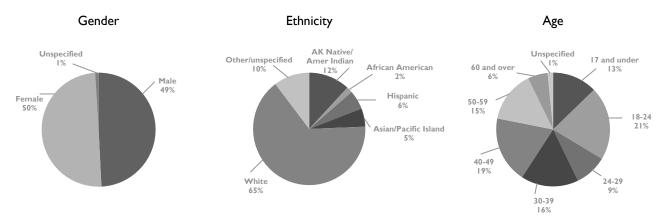
# Non-Credit Students

UAA also serves about a thousand students in Adult Basic Education, non-credit, and continuing education courses each fall semester. In contrast to credit students (the majority of whom are served by the Anchorage campus), the majority of non-credit students are served by the community campuses, with the largest numbers at Prince William Sound Community College and Kenai Peninsula College.

Characteristics. The latest available characteristics data on non-credit students comes from the 2005-06 academic year. At that time, the population of non-credit students was about equally split between males and females. Ethnically, there were greater percentages of Alaska Native/American Indian and Hispanic students and smaller percentages of African American and Asian/Pacific Islanders among non-credit students than credit students. The noncredit population also tended to be older than the credit population, with a mean age of 35.5 in AY06 as compared to 30.1 for credit students in Fall 2008.

## Headcount, Fall 2008





# Headcount Trend



Sources: UAA Office of Institutional Research. Headcounts and trends come from Fall Semester Closing Reports, Fall 1998 to Fall 2008, Closing Summary. Characteristics come from Mission Contribution Series, Continuing Education Courses, Table CE-4, academic year 2005-06 (latest available data).

Headcount trend. The numbers of noncredit students declined 56% between Fall 1998 and Fall 2005, from a high of 1,779 to a low of 790. They have rebounded 39% in the three years since, for a total of 1,097 in Fall 2008. The overall reduction over the ten-year period is 38%.

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