

UNIVERSITY FOCUS
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TOPIC: RURAL ALASKA HONORS INSTITUTE

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FOR RURAL ALASKANS GOING TO COLLEGE IS A BIG STEP. RIGHT NOW AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA-FAIRBANKS, SIXTY RURAL ALASKAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE WORKING TO REDUCE THE SIZE OF THAT STEP.

I'M STEPHEN LAY, UAF PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER, WITH THIS WEEK'S EDITION OF UNIVERSITY FOCUS.

THE STUDENTS ARE ENROLLED IN THE RURAL ALASKA HONORS INSTITUTE. THE PROGRAM'S CONCEPT IS SIMPLE, ACCORDING TO COORDINATOR PAM HERMAN. IT IS TO FIND COLLEGE ORIENTED RURAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND BRING THEM TO THE CAMPUS FOR A SEVEN WEEK PREVIEW OF COLLEGE LIFE BETWEEN THEIR JUNIOR AND SENIOR YEARS.

CUT: incue: "This is the second summer..." 45
outcue: "at UAF." 54

STUDENTS ARE SIMLUTANEOUSLY IMMERSSED IN COLLEGE LIFE WHILE BEING TRAINED THE SURVIVAL SKILLS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE A DEGREE.

CUT: incue: "We do a lot to..." 148
outcue: "for them." 166

BUT THE ACADEMIC SIDE OF COLLEGE RECEIVES A PRIMARY EMPHASIS.

CUT: incue: "Our program is..." 188
outcue: "for completing it." 199

COURSEWORK INCLUDES STUDY SKILLS AND ONE CAREER-ORIENTED FIELD. ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE ARE AMONG THE CAREER-AWARENESS CLASSES. THE TEAM PROJECT IS A UNIFYING ELEMENT OF THE ENTIRE CURRICULUM.

CUT: incue: "It has a number..." 200
outcue: "immediate sense." 213

WHILE THE RURAL ALASKA HONORS INSTITUTE STRESSES COLLEGE PREPAREDNESS, IT DOES NOT GIVE THE STUDENTS ADVANCED ACADEMIC STANDING.

CUT: incue: "Students do not earn credits..." 251
outcue: "service to them." 269

HOWEVER, STUDENTS WHO GRADUATE FROM THE PROGRAM WITH HONORS ARE GUARANTEED ADMISSION TO UAF BEFORE RETURNING HOME. THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM STARTED JUNE ELEVENTH AND WILL BE COMPLETED JULY TWENTY-SEVENTH. PAM HERMAN IS THE COORDINATOR OF THE RURAL ALASKA HONORS INSTITUTE.

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