

# University of Alaska Board of Regents

## Program Approval Summary Form

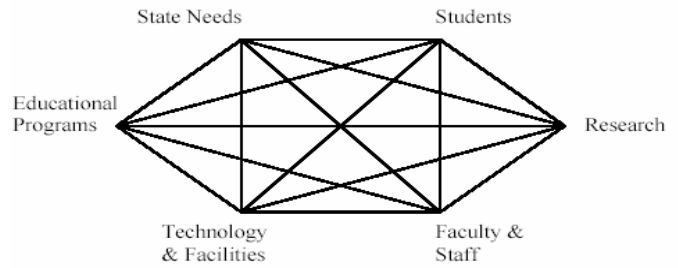
### Requirements:

1. 2 pages or less
2. Must be a stand-alone document

MAU: UAF

Title: Bachelor Degree in Emergency Management (BEM)

Target admission date: Fall 2006



### How does the program relate to the Education mission of the University of Alaska and the MAU?

\*Who promoted the development of the program?

\*What process was followed in development of program (including internal and external consultation)

\*Impact on existing programs and services across MAU and system, including GERs and distance delivery

The UAF-TVC Emergency Services Program (ESP) is seeking approval for the UAF School of Management (SOM) to initiate a new Baccalaureate Degree in Emergency Management. This will enable students to combine the technical expertise derived from the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Emergency Services with a curriculum in Business Administration to become the future fire chiefs or equivalent emergency services administrators within fire departments and other related fields of emergency services throughout Alaska, Canada and the Lower 48. There is an ever increasing demand for fire department and emergency services administrators that are educated in fire science, emergency medical services (EMS) and business management practices.

The proposed BEM degree is aligned with the University of Alaska mission to meet state and local needs for fire department and emergency services administrators and to provide opportunities to those who can benefit from educational programs of high quality.

### What State Needs met by this program.

\*Information describing program need and why existing programs in UA system are not able to meet it.

There is an ever increasing demand for fire department and emergency services administrators that are educated in fire science, EMS and business management practices. Many fire departments throughout Alaska have searched for fire chiefs and found few Alaskan candidates with adequate business administration education and experience except those who have gone to school and worked in the Lower 48. The intent of this proposed BEM degree is to retain our AAS degree graduates at UAF by offering them an opportunity to complete a baccalaureate degree while obtaining additional vocational experience through numerous local fire departments.

### What are the Student opportunities and outcomes? Enrollment projections?

The proposed BEM degree will enable students to obtain higher education and vocational experience to meet the demands of future fire chiefs and other emergency services administrators throughout Alaska, the Lower 48 and Canada.

### Describe Research opportunities:

Internships and service to local fire departments will provide research opportunities that will contribute to the enhancement of operational efficiency and cost effectiveness of fire departments and other emergency services throughout Alaska, the Lower 48 and Canada.

### Describe Fiscal Plan for development and implementation:

\*Identify funding requirement, sources and plan to generate revenue and meet identified costs to include:

- \*Indirect costs to other units (e.g. GERs, distance delivery)
- \*Faculty and Staff
- \*Technology, Facilities and Equipment

<u>Resources</u>	<u>Existing</u>	<u>New</u>		<u>Total</u>
	College/School	College/School	Others (Specify)	
Regular Faculty (FTE's & dollars)	24.75 FTE	0		24.75
Adjunct Faculty (FTE's & dollars)	1.4 FTE	0		1.4 FTE
Teaching Assistants (Headcount)	5	0		5
Instructional Facilities (in dollars and/or sq. footage)	309 sq ft	0		309 sq ft
Office Space (Sq. footage)	6,785 sq ft	0		6,785 sq ft
Lab Space (Sq. Footage)	1,031 sq ft	0		1,031 sq ft
Computer & Networking (in dollars)	\$30,260	0		\$30,260
Research/ Instructional/ office Equipment (in dollars)	\$11,376	0		\$11,376
Support Staff (FTE's & dollars)	4.5 FTE	0		4.5 FTE
Supplies (in dollars)	\$44,158	\$2,000		\$46,158
Travel (in dollars)	\$47,696	0		\$47,696

**Business Administration Faculty:**

Joe Hines, Instructor  
 Jim Collins, Ph.D., Associate Professor  
 Jacob Joseph, Ph.D., Professor  
 Cory Borgeson, J.D., Term Instructor  
 Susan Herman, Ph.D., Term Professor  
 David Porter, Ph.D., Professor  
 Melissa Hill, Exempt staff

**Accounting Faculty:**

Ami Oppe, Adjunct faculty  
 Yijiang Zhao, Ph.D., Assistant Professor  
 Ken Abramowicz, Ph.D., Associate Professor  
 Mike Davis, Ph.D., Associate Professor

**Economics Faculty:**

Doug Reynolds, Ph.D., Associate Professor

**Staff:**

Faith Henry, SOM Undergraduate Advisor

**Executive Staff:**

Greg Goering, Ph.D., Associate Dean

No additional faculty or staff will be required for the implementation of the BEM degree.

No additional impacts on UAF technology or facilities at the UAF School of Management are anticipated.