

# Prince William Sound Tidings

November 5, 2021

## Calendar

November 5  
Priority registration  
begins for spring  
semester

November 7  
Daylight Saving Time  
ends ("fall back")

November 9  
UA Giving Day 2021

November 24  
No class, PWSC open

November 25+26  
PWSC closed for  
Thanksgiving holiday

December 6-11  
Final exams

December 16  
Grades available in  
UAOnline

December 23-Jan 2  
Winter break  
PWSC closed



Prince William Sound College is participating in UA Giving Day 2021 #49HoursforAlaska on November 9.

Show your pride in PWSC by making a gift during UA Giving Day!

Learn more about how you can support our PWSC students at

<https://bit.ly/give2pwsc>

## NEW Occupational Endorsement Certificates! And Now Stackable!

Prince William Sound College is now offering three new Occupational Endorsement Certificates in Web Engineering, Marine Service Technician, and Construction Skills. The OEC in Web Engineering prepares students to enter the information technology field as web developers. It can be completed as an online program and in two semesters. The OEC in Marine Service Technician prepares students for technician-level work in the maritime industry. Lastly, the OEC in Construction Skills teaches students to perform building and facility maintenance and repair. Both are hands-on skill based training that can be completed in one-semester; students will be introduced to industry professionals throughout the programs and gain access to potential job opportunities.

New this year, students can now complete any two OECs offered through the University of Alaska Anchorage system and then take additional credits to meet the 60 credits requirement to complete an associate degree. For example, a student could earn an OEC in Marine Service Technician and Millwright and then take additional courses to graduate with an associate degree. This will allow the student to be proficient and employable in at least one technical/vocational field of study!

The Occupational Endorsement Certifications are a great way to quickly learn and develop skills for employability. Or stack two OEC's to earn a two-year degree that will advance your skills and employment or career opportunities. There are a lot of options and this creates flexibility for students to pursue their interests while earning a college degree. Contact an advisor today for your individualized plan!



### PWSC Health & Fitness Center's

#### Hours of Operation

##### Monday-Friday

Open- 5am-8am

Closed- 8am-11:00am

Open- 11:00am-2:00pm

Closed- 2:00pm-4:30pm

Open- 4:30pm-7:00pm

##### Saturday

Open- 9am-5pm

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##### Sunday

Closed



# Marine Service Technology

Contact:

Shannon Stites  
smstites@alaska.edu  
907-834-1632

## Courses:

- Boathandling & Safety
- Intro to Maritime Trades
- Engine Theory
- Drive Systems
- Materials
- Marine Inboard Maintenance
- Marine Electrical
- Marine Electronics
- Marine Plumbing
- Marine Outboard Maintenance
- Marine Boat Trailers

## Industry Recommended Courses

- First Aid/CPR
- Confined Space Awareness
- HAZWOPER 24-hr

**Spring 2022 Academy:**  
**Jan 24 to Apr 15, 2022**

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Tuition, fees, and housing for qualifying high school students covered by a Perkins grant!

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# Construction Skills Program

Contact:

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## Skills Courses:

- Core Curriculum for Skilled Trades
- Intro to Framing
- Kitchen & Bathroom Fixtures
- Roofing Installation
- Door & Window Installation
- Electrical Fixtures
- Drywall Installation & Finishing
- Insulation Systems
- Floor Coverings
- Home Energy Basics
- Siding Installation
- Internship

## Industry Recommended Courses

- OSHA 10
- First Aid/CPR
- HAZWOPER 24-Hr
- Confined Space Awareness

The PWSC Construction Skills program is a 12-week intensive experience that teaches basic skills in the construction trades.

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Financial aid may be available.

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## Student Spotlights

By Vickie Heisser

Martinas “Liz” Lewis has become “obsessed with the outdoors” since starting PWSC’s Outdoor Leadership Program. Liz initially became interested in the program when she happened upon PWSC’s website while searching on the Internet. For a while, she corresponded with Assistant Professor of Outdoor Leadership, Dr. Ben Rush, and eventually, as she says, “I decided to give it a go. And it’s been great so far!” For Liz, moving to Alaska from Florida was an adventure she was ready for. As someone who has traveled a lot, she was excited for a new chapter. Now here in Alaska, Liz is enjoying the ODL program. One of her courses, Water Safety and Rescue was one she really enjoyed. “That was something I’ve never tried before, and I absolutely enjoyed it. They’re getting me into hiking, which is great!”

Sarah Kearns loves her PWSC Outdoor Leadership (ODL) classes. Venturing out of her comfort zone in Wisconsin, she finds Alaska to be “pretty cool.” She enjoys “. . .that most of us students here are from all over the lower 48 so we’re all learning tips and tricks together to ‘survive’ Alaska.” The ODL camping trips have bonded her with fellow students. “It’s funny because we will get back from spending 3 days nonstop together on our trips, but then we’ll go out to eat after getting back and literally can’t shut up about how the weekend went!” Her favorite ODL class is Water Safety and Rescue. “We got the opportunity to work with instructors who are actually in rescue and rafting career fields. We spent a lot of time working on different knots and anchors, and I think it’s going to be really cool to continue to build that knowledge up with our skills classes to come.”





# Early Registration Incentive for Spring 2022

Returning PWSC students who register for Spring 2022 classes between November 10 and 21 will be eligible to win a \$100 Akademos Bookstore voucher code. Ten voucher codes will be awarded. Eligibility requirements: students must be accepted into a PWSC degree program and have met with their advisor prior to registering.

New PWSC students who meet with their advisor and register for Spring 2022 classes between November 22 and December 1 will be eligible to win a \$100 Akademos Bookstore voucher code. Ten voucher codes will be awarded. Eligibility requirements: students must be accepted into a PWSC degree program and have met with their advisor prior to registering.



The Office of the Registrar has been working hard to improve the Registration experience and has made many improvements to the [UAOnline](#) Registration menu and Schedule Planner.

Class Search will now take students directly to Schedule Planner where they can easily search for classes, add breaks, generate their schedules and even email their schedule to themselves or their advisor. You can still access the previous class search found in the UAOnline Registration menu, renamed, 'Alternate Class Search', as well as on the [PWSC website](#) under 'Classes'.

Schedule Planner has been updated to include help text, more search options to find classes, and even more schedule details. Spring 2022 schedule went live on October 25<sup>th</sup>. These changes are now in UAOnline.

You can locate more information and instruction on the UAA website ['Before Registration'](#) and ['How to Register'](#) for step-by-step registration in addition to an [instructional flyer](#) and [youtube video](#).

Spring 2022 schedule went live on October 25th. Priority registration begins for most PWSC students, November 8th - 15th, depending on your class standing. Open registration begins November 22nd. If you have any questions please contact Bernadette Irish 907-834-1626 [bairish@alaska.edu](mailto:bairish@alaska.edu) or [schedule an advising appointment here](#).



## New Face on Campus



A big “Hey there!” to PWSC-Copper Basin’s new Administrative Assistant and Adult Education instructor, Fallon Dale!

Fallon and her family have lived in the Copper River area since 2015; she and her husband moved from Kansas, where she was working as a preschool teacher after graduating from Emporia State University. She has worked as a first grade teacher in Glennallen for the last 6 years, but after the birth of her first child, she decided she wanted to take a change in career paths to allow being a full time parent while continuing to work in education (her first passion). Fallon is an enthusiastic educator and would like to eventually work towards a Masters degree in either Curriculum and Instruction or Early Childhood Education. She also has a background in graphic design and journalism, and enjoys broadening her horizons with technology, including advancing social media outreach and expanding community engagement/interest in local events. During her free time, Fallon enjoys consuming all types of media (music, movies, books, art), playing with her little boy, and sampling a variety of global cuisines! She can be contacted anytime via email ([fndale@alaska.edu](mailto:fndale@alaska.edu)) or by phone at [907-822-3673 ext. 23](tel:907-822-3673), or just stop by the PWSC-Copper Basin office (located across the parking lot from Glennallen School). Please contact her for any Glennallen area GED, adult learning, or general education needs. We’re excited to get to know you, Fallon!

## Introduction to Oceanography

BIOL A178 + A179 (Lab)– 4 credits

Tues and Thurs 12:15-3:00

Classes start January 10

In this course, we will use hand-on techniques and discussion to understand biological, physical, chemical, and geological processes in the ocean. No required textbook.

Instructor:  
Dr. Amanda  
Glazier



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One of the reasons Naomi Ray is taking PWSC’s First Aid/CPR class is it is required for her new position as general clerk for Crowley Marine Services at the Valdez terminal. She explains, “Education can prevent accidents. This training helps to minimize the chance of accidents in the workplace. It just makes sense because of the work environment, and I am working around lots of heavy equipment. It is important to me that I am prepared to respond to an accident.”

PWSC offers regular classes in First Aid/CPR. Check our schedule and register at <https://pwsc.asapconnected.com>



# First Aid/CPR/AED Class



Friday, November 12

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

\$100

Upon successful completion, students receive certification from the American Heart Association (good for 2 years)

Instructor: George Keeney

Location: PWSC Student Commons

Register at <https://pwsc.asapconnected.com>  
Call 834-1600 if you need help registering.



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# First Aid/CPR/AED Class



Wednesday, December 8

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

\$100

Upon successful completion, students receive certification from the American Heart Association (good for 2 years)

Instructor: George Keeney

Location: PWSC Room 168

Register at <https://pwsc.asapconnected.com>  
907-834-1600



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# Alaska Native Heritage Month Film Screening



Join us for Alaska Native Heritage Month and watch *Atlla* (2019). "Atlla explores the life and persona of George Atlla, from his childhood as a TB survivor in the Alaskan interior, to his rise as ten-time world dog mushing champion and mythical state hero, to a village elder resolutely training his grandnephew to race his team one last time

Friday November 12

3:30-4:45

Main Campus

PWSC Student Services and PWSC Residence Life will be providing moose soup, and salmon appetizers for all PWSC staff, students, and faculty!



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## Prince William Sound College (PWSC) is offering the following property for sale:

**SALE BY BEST OFFER:** An 8X12 cabin built by students in the PWSC Construction Academy Program, constructed by the PWSC Campus of the University of Alaska in Valdez, and the Copper River School District in Glennallen, completed during the 2018-2019 academic school year.

**CONDITION:** "as is / where is". The PWSC and the University of Alaska makes no warranties, express or implied, including warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS:** Cabin may be viewed Monday – Friday, 8am-5pm at 153 Pioneer, Valdez, Alaska. 907-834-1622.

**Offers must be submitted to the PWSC Business Office located at 303 Lowe St. no later than Monday December 01, 2021 5:00pm.**

Award will be made to the highest offeror, who will be notified within 5 working days. The college reserves the right to reject any or all offers. The successful offeror must make payment by certified check or cash within 5 days of notice and remove the Cabin immediately upon payment.

Offers accepted by mail: (must be received by 12/01/21)  
PWSC Office of Administrative Services Cabin,  
PO Box 97 Valdez, Alaska 99686

Offers accepted by email: (must be received by 12/01/21)  
Attn: Director of Administrative Services, [swshiell@alaska.edu](mailto:swshiell@alaska.edu)

Offers hand delivered: PWSC Office of Administrative Services Cabin, 303 Lowe Street Valdez, Alaska

Cabin Features:

- 8x12 insulated framed structure
- Steel Roof
- Rigid Foam Board Insulated R19 walls, ceiling and floor
- Fold down bunk and table
- Vinyl flooring
- Small cabinet for storage
- Sliding Window
- Steel exterior door with window

The next non-credit acrylic painting class will take place on Wednesday, December 1, from 6-9 p.m. It will be taught by Julie Mason, and the image will be a snow scene, inspired by an impressionistic painting by Willard Metcalf. The cost is \$43, and includes all necessary supplies. You can register for this class at <https://pwsc.asapconnected.com>. Call Wendy at 907-834-1689 with any questions.





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The Prince William Sound College main campus in Valdez respectfully acknowledges that we live, work, learn, and operate on the traditional, ancestral lands of the Chugach Alutiiq/Sugpiaq people.

These lands have been stewarded for thousands of years since time immemorial by the Chugach Sugpiaq and Ahtna people. The traditional name of this area in Sugt'stun, the language of the Sugpiaq, is Saucit, which means, "the people of the place that rises into view." Saucit and the surrounding Prince William Sound villages provided a bountiful harvest for the Sugpiat, Ahtna, and Eyak people. Saucit played an integral role as an overland trade route that linked Interior Alaska to Prince William Sound.

PWSC acknowledges the painful history of colonization and the resilience of the Chugach Sugpiaq who still live here today. Valdez is a unique community in that the Valdez Native Tribe serves all local Indigenous residents and is not specific to the Sugpiaq people. PWSC acknowledges the ancient and current Indigenous stewards of this land who reside here today.

This land acknowledgment is important to the PWSC campus because too often Indigenous history is washed away, and we strive to include both the ancestral and the contemporary history of the Indigenous people in our region.

*Quyanaasinaq*

*Tsin'aen*

*AwA'ahdah*

Thank you very much

"Life is about making an impact, not making an income."

Kevin Kruse