

CONTRACT POSITION: Occupational Endorsement of Indigenous Science- Indigenous Science STEAM Specialist

INFORMATION

Department:	Education
	STEAM & Post Secondary
Location of Work:	Southeast Alaska
Application Deadline:	Applications will be accepted and processed
	on a rolling basis until December 1st, 2025.

OVERVIEW OF TASK/WORK

Sealaska Heritage Institute (SHI) is seeking an individual to serve as an Indigenous Science (IS) STEAM Specialist to support the co-development and implementation of the Occupational Endorsement of Indigenous Science (OEIS) opportunity for undergraduate students attending the University of Alaska Southeast (UAS).

This position will support a team of professionals at SHI and UAS to create a multi-faceted undergraduate program that allows students to specialize in Indigenous Science methodologies of research. They will oversee the development and review process of courses, participate in outreach, and collaborate in the deployment of this program. The position will also support grant documentation of OEIS progress.

SCOPE OF WORK

- 1. Work with a group of cultural specialists and faculty to develop and review undergraduate courses to supplement the OEIS.
- 2. Review courses for cultural alignment.
- 3. Assist with UAS faculty professional development opportunities to promote culturally responsive coursework.
- 4. Participate in outreach to promote the OEIS to prospective students, UAS faculty, and community members.
- 5. Support program deployment in an inclusive way that centers Indigenous Knowledge, cross-cultural communication, and participant growth.

REQUIRED SKILLS

- Excellent networking skills
- Ability to work independently and within a team
- Flexibility in making programmatic adjustments to suit the needs of participants and grant requirements.
- Understanding of Indigenous Knowledge Systems and willingness to continue learning.

PROJECT/CONTRACTOR TIMELINE

The grant is a three-year award, and September 2025 starts the second year of the award. The IS Specialist is expected to commit for the remainder of the OEIS development in this award, but the contract will be reviewed and renewed at the end of each year. This contractual agreement should begin as soon as possible and be completed no later than September 30th, 2027.

NECESSARY KNOWLEDGE & EXPERIENCE

- Knowledge of Alaska Native culture and education
- Undergraduate programs
- Co-production of knowledge
- Indigenous science research methods

To Apply: Submit an interest form at this link: <u>Contractor Interest Form</u>
For this contract position, please make sure to include the following information in your application: a short statement describing your interest in this role, let us know when you are available for this work.

If you have any questions regarding this contract position, please contact Elle Gray-Smith, STEAM Specialist - elle.gray-smith@sealaskaheritage.com

