

Temporary Modular Units

To: Chancellor Marshall Lind
From: John D. Craven, Chair
UAF Master Planning Committee
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Subject: MPC Recommendation Related to the use of Temporary Modular Units

Background

The provost has asked the MPC for advice on how to consider proposals for the installation of modular buildings on campus. On an ideal campus (to which we aspire) with good planning and buildings and space allocations, aesthetic considerations would argue against placement of modular units within main campus traffic corridors and lands. However, given our realities of quickly changing initiatives, near decadal long latencies for major building initiatives, and a genuine space crisis for existing programs (especially on the West Ridge where proposals for modular units have originated), we believe some flexibility is justified to provide UAF with a nimbleness to grow and change in response to worthwhile and lasting opportunities. With these aspirations and realities in mind, the Master Planning Committee makes the following recommendations concerning new and replacement modular units.