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Hi Dana and Carol,

I was just gathering some materials to help me write up an SOM proposal to send to Faculty Senate for the UAF Core Curriculum when I ran across this publication from ACTA that came out a year ago. ACTA was the one who originally singled UAF out as the only University of the top 100 Universities to offer Economics in its Core and we were then featured on Fox News. The Aug 2009 report lists us now as only 2 of 100 Universities to do so (along with West Point).

On Page 20 of this report they write about UAF

*"Today's anything-goes curriculum means students are left unprepared to succeed in the global economy.
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Economics has never been more important, but hardly any universities require it. Despite its importance in a globalized economy, basic economics is required at only two out of the 100 institutions surveyed: the University of Alaska-Fairbanks and the United States Military Academy (West Point). These two institutions show that a truly forward-looking general education program includes both the traditional and the innovative."

In general UAF receives very good marks from ACTA for its Core. You can glance at pages 25 to 29 to see their summary charts.

It might not hurt for President Gamble to have a copy of this.

Thanks

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cc. Susan, Brian

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