



Hello,

The RASOR Program is excited to announce that we will be holding a new offering in the 2026/2027 school year along with our standard RASOR class.

For those that are unfamiliar with RASOR or need a refresher, RASOR stands for Rural Alaska Students in One-Health Research. (To learn more about the concept of One Health please visit the [UAF website](#).) Our program aims to provide place-based research opportunities for Southeast students, while also fostering an accessible introduction to college level work. You can learn more about us at [our website](#).

ON THE HUNT: A New Short Course
Oct 1st - 4th, 2026, Metlakatla AK

This year we are offering a **new** one credit course in the fall focused on immersive place based learning in environmental science. This will be an intensive 1 credit course that will take place over a long weekend. The theme this year will be 'On the Hunt' and will focus on the role of human and animal harvesters in our ecosystems and communities. Students will travel to Metlakatla (paid for by RASOR) and attend community relevant workshops and lectures as a way to explore the concept of One Health in the context of Annette Island. With this year's theme, students will focus on how predators affect the local ecosystem. At the end of the weekend the students will be asked to work alongside the presenters to share their new knowledge with the community at a dinner. This is the beginning of what we hope will be many such events hosted by different communities in the coming years. Travel funding included and space is limited.

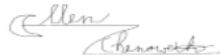
RASOR Research Course
Jan - April 2027

Additionally, we will still be holding our standard spring course. This is a great introduction to college, as students combine a local, tribally led research mentorship with an online college course, connecting what they are learning in class with community relevant work. This Biology 101 course covers an array of topics including the basic philosophies of both western science and indigenous science, research ethics, and science communication methods. Class time is also used to guide students through the steps of the scientific method as they do their research. This course has seen 88 students through their research in the last 7 years.

The standard RASOR course aims to be as accessible to students as possible. We meet with students as it fits into their regular scheduled school days and students can pick a credit load that matches their interest level and availability. Credit options range from 1-3 credits.

If these sound like opportunities that could be a good fit for your students, we would be happy to meet with you or your students to discuss it further. Please contact our program coordinator Rosie Cunningham at rjcunningham2@alaska.edu.

Sincerely,



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RASOR Program Director

Program Offerings	Credit load	Eligibility	Dates	Interest Form
'On the Hunt'	1 credit	All H.S. students	Oct 1st - 4th	https://forms.gle/cnSNADwZagtDL0MW9
RASOR Standard	1-2 credits 3 credits	10th-12th graders 10th-12th graders	Jan 1st - April 30th Sept 21st - May 1st	https://forms.gle/suU7DSaUbA8rSCqq6



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