

# Arctic Policy, Sustainability & Governance

## Summer 2017 2<sup>ND</sup> SESSION

July 7, 2017 to August 5, 2017

Rasmuson Hall Room 204



**CRN 51817 PADM A671 302**

Fridays from 5:30p - 9:30p and Saturdays from 8a to 5p

July 7 (Fri.) Introduction to the Course

Fri. / Sat. weekends	July 14 & 15
in July	July 21 & 22
	July 28 & 29

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**Course Description:** Northwest Alaska is experiencing changes in environmental conditions from climate change, a harbinger of likely effects on rural and remote community sustainability. Impacts on Northwest Arctic Borough communities include accelerated coastal and riverine erosion, melting permafrost, black carbon deposition, ocean acidification, changes in subsistence patterns, food insecurity, and severe winter storms. We address progress and challenges in environmental stewardship and sustainable development through the governance and scientific efforts spearheaded by the 8-nation Arctic Council.

Dr. Konkell relocated to Alaska from a very successful sabbatical year as a US Fulbright Scholar in Dublin, Ireland; after his Fulbright he accepted a post as Sr. Research Fellow, Health and Environment, at the Dublin Institute of Technology. He brings to UAA well over two decades of teaching and research in environmental health. He holds a bachelor's degree in Architectural Engineering (University of Colorado, Boulder), a master's degree in City Planning (Harvard's Graduate School of Design), and a PhD in environmental policy development and conflict resolution techniques from MIT's Department of Urban Studies and Planning. Dr. Konkell worked as a researcher and instructor with his mentor, Dr. Lawrence Susskind, Ford Professor of Environmental Policy at MIT.



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