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Dear Colleague,

We are pleased to inform you that the registration link is now live for the joint annual conference of the Association for the Study of Food & Society (ASFS) and the Agriculture, Food and Human Values Society (AFHVS) at the University of Alaska Anchorage campus, in collaboration with Alaska Pacific University (**June 26–29, 2019**). Please click here to access the link (or copy/paste this url address): <https://uaa.irisregistration.com/Form/ASFS619>

To register: The system will prompt you to create an account before registering. Please do so. Then log in with the credentials you entered. *If for any reason the Iris system asks you for which conference you are registering, please enter **ASFS619** code to arrive at the correct conference link.* The registration questions will flow as follows:



1. Enter your contact info (address, email, affiliation etc.)
2. **Conference Pass** - Select from drop-down menu.
 - a. **Member** of AFHVS or ASFS (or both), please pick student or regular member options. We will cross check with membership lists. Student rates are subsidized so please pick correctly. Please renew your 2019 memberships as soon as possible.
 - b. **Non-member, student or regular.**
 - c. **Local - This will most likely not apply to you.** Do not pick **local** community member option unless you live in Alaska and can provide a local address.
 - d. **Remote presenter** - If you plan to present remotely and do not plan on attending, please select this option.

Each of these options have different fees and the fees will go up on April 1st. *Unfortunately, memberships in other academic associations do not transfer for the ASFS or AFHVS membership rate. See registration fees and deadlines below.*

Rates for ASFS or AFHVS members

Membership	Early-Bird (Nov 12, 2018-March 31, 2019)	Late (April 1, 2019-June 14, 2019)	On-Site Registration (June 26-28, 2019)
Student member	\$200	\$250	\$250
Regular member	\$275	\$325	\$350

Non-Members	Early-Bird (Nov-March)	Late (March-June)	On-Site Registration
Student non-member	\$300	\$300	\$350
Regular non-member	\$375	\$400	\$450



3. Accommodations

a. **On-Campus** - \$40+tax and up

If you would like to stay on campus, in student dorms, you will select this option. Please note that this is the cheapest option for housing and it is within walking distance to the conference site. For detailed info on housing visit this [page](#). Staying at the dorms means the rooms are single occupation (no full, queen or king bed options). Rates range between \$40 and \$65 per person per night (plus 12% bed tax). You have some options to choose from here: There are limited quantities of **single suites** with private bathroom available (on a first come first served basis, \$65 per night, plus 12% tax). You can also book a **double suite** where you would have your private bedroom and share the bathroom with one other person (\$130+tax per suite- booking person pays for the suite and collects from their suite mate). To save money you can book a quad suite (only \$159+tax per night per suite). **Quad suites** have a shared living room and 2 bathrooms shared between 4 private bedrooms. if you do not want to reserve for the whole group, and if you are a student, you can book a shared suite and pay only your portion of the suite (\$40+tax per night). Student shared suites are assigned to same sex attendees (and are placed in a double or quad suite). If you have specific friends in mind and would like to have a co-ed suite, please book for the whole group by choosing double or quad suite option and/or enter names of suitemates in the text box provided. If you are flexible, you can enter [Open to Sharing](#) in the textbox and we will assign you.

b. **University Lake Springhill Suites** (conference partner) - \$229, plus tax

To book at the University Lake Springhill Suites with the special conference discount, please click [here](#). You can book at this rate anytime between June 23 and July 2nd. The last day to book at this rate is May 25th. Please note that only the campus dorm accommodations will be available at the registration link. For other accommodations, please pick No. If you wish to stay at other hotels or Airbnb and similar vacation rental properties, note that cabs, Uber and Lyft are available as well as public transportation (although [People Mover](#) may not be as reliable and as frequently available as in larger cities. Please see the link above for more info on the bus system).

Summer is the height of Alaska's tourist season. Accommodations and car rentals will be more expensive than during other seasons and should be booked well in advance. Events are listed chronologically in the registration system so we are listing them in that order below

4. Pre-conference Tours - June 26th (Wednesday before conference)

Transportation to/from campus included; you may be able to participate in more than 1 of these, depending on the time offered. All but the Matanuska Valley Farm Tour are half day events.

- a. Food Writing Workshop with Julia O'Malley (\$85, 3 hrs) – capacity: 13 people
- b. Anchorage Food Systems Tour and Tasting (\$85, 3 hrs)- capacity: 20 people
- c. Urban Harvest workshop at the Museum (\$50, 3 hrs) – capacity: 30 people
- d. Matanuska Valley Farm Tour & Farm-To-Table Luncheon (\$85, 7 hrs) – capacity: 50 people



You may bring companions/children to any of these events with the exception of the food writing workshop. Enter the number of people attending and click "Add to Cart" for each option separately. Please note that Museum events are ADA compliant. For other tours, reasonable **ADA** accommodations are available with prior notice. Please contact remiller@alaskapacific.edu.

5. **Welcome Reception - June 26th (Wednesday evening @ 6 pm)**

Transportation to/from the Anchorage Museum included.

This event is included in your registration as the attendee with your conference badge. It includes access to the food exhibit, appetizers, and two craft cocktails. You are welcome to bring along companions. Choose accordingly from the list based on ages of your companions. We hope this is a fun networking event for all!

Please add yourself in the registration for free events so we can have an accurate headcount for each event.

- Companion, Ages 0-12: free
- Companion, Ages 13-20: \$18
- Companion, 21 and over: \$25

6. **Conference Food Options**

Please enter all dietary restrictions so we can arrange food that would accommodate your dietary preferences.

- Breakfasts** - Included on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday
- Coffee breaks** - Two coffee breaks on Thursday and Friday and one coffee break on Saturday are included in your registration. The rest of the food can be ordered while registering.
- Lunches** - Food truck options will be available for lunch with local/Alaskan options also available (including a drink). You can choose to order food truck lunch for yourself and companions on June 27th and 28th (\$14 each). Please see options listed on our webpage. Please note that the food truck lunch purchases are listed by date on our registration page; hence the June 27th and 28th lunches will be separated by the Keynote event listed below.

Note that our campus during the summer tends to resemble a food desert and traveling to downtown or other areas for lunch will be difficult due to time constraints.

7. **Keynote Event - June 27th (Thursday)**

This will start with a visit to the Mountain View Farmers Market (in the most diverse census tract in the nation). After the stroll at the market, we will arrive at the Alaska Native Heritage Center with a night full of activities, entertainment and local foods to be remembered. A map of the grounds is included at the end of this letter. You will stroll the grounds and visit various Alaska Native Village sites, with subsistence food demonstrations, an Alaska Native artist at work using food byproducts, Alaska Native dance, games and storytelling breaks, subsistence tasting and local food, a scavenger hunt and two local



drinks (cash bar will be available, transportation to/from campus included). You may bring companions but please choose accordingly from the various options.

First, add yourself as the attendee and then choose for your companions. Please note that 'student' here refers to a student conference attendee and we are subsidizing student attendees to make it an affordable event. See the sample menu for this event on our [schedule](#) page.

- Companion, Ages 0-14: free
- Companion, Ages 15-20: \$65
- Companion, 21 and over: \$95

8. **Turkish picnic and awards ceremony** - June 28th (Friday)

Just a short walk away, arrive at the beautiful Alaska Pacific University Lawn. Why Turkish you say (how is that local)? Well, remember we are a diverse city and [107 languages](#) are spoken in our school district. Incidentally one of your conference organizers is Turkish American so we are capitalizing on her immigrant network to present you a salmon-free event for one night (get your *döner* and *baklava* game on!). But don't you worry, we will have local beer to satisfy the locavores and a vegetarian option for non-carnivores.

We will present the ASFS and AFHVS awards at this event along with highlighting two local projects with media/creative component by sharing curated video segments from the [Store Outside Your Door](#) (Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Wellness and Prevention initiative to promote the knowledge and use of traditional foods and traditional ways) and [Harvesting Alaska](#) (Best TV segment, James Beard Award, 2017) projects.

This event is free for conference attendees with their badge. Regardless, please register yourself first if you plan to join us so we can prepare enough food. Next, please register your companions joining you for the picnic.

- Companion, Ages 0-13: free
- Companion, Ages 14 and over: \$10

9. **Presidential luncheon** - June 29th (Saturday)

This event will take place on campus, at the Cuddy Hall. Campus catering will prepare box lunches for us including drinks and dessert at \$15. Make your selection before moving onto the next page.

Please note that on-site purchase for this event will not be available, unlike food truck lunches on Thursday & Friday.

10. **Housing Agreement**

If you have previously said Yes to campus housing, this is where you will agree to rules, select check in and check out dates, and suite selection (single, double vs quad). You will also get a chance to let us know who you would like to be paired with in your suite (optional).

Parking is available for purchase from the Parking Services (\$10 per day) however Summer 2019 rates have not been confirmed yet. We will keep you posted.



11. Payment

Once you click out of the previous page you will notice that you are asked to click on a separate link to submit payment. Unfortunately, this link will not carry over your balance to be paid.

Please note the amount you need to pay before clicking and enter the amount accordingly.

You will see this notification: "Please follow the link below to our UAA Conference Services online storefront. Please select the store item 'Conference Name' and enter the total amount for payment reflected on you registration summary page."

Once in the storefront system, scroll in the link to locate ASFS/AFHVS , click and enter the amount you noted from the registration system. Pay with credit card.

You will receive a payment confirmation via your email. You are done!

Well not exactly! If you would like to arrange for additional sightseeing, we will be including information as well as discount codes soon, so please do visit our [webpage](#) in the coming months for more information about your trip.

We will send you information on how to create a presenter page on our conference app [Whova](#) and where to find our social media event pages. We plan to have pictures, abstracts, and bios of all speakers to increase interaction among conference attendees and to draw interest for your presentation/session ahead of the conference. The app will also give you a chance to connect with other attendees to arrange for cost-cutting measures such as shared cab rides from the airport. We will let you know more as we get closer to the conference date.

We are excited to host you in Anchorage next year. Please visit our [webpage](#) for more information and to prepare for your travel. Once again we want to stress that summer is our high season and prices for travel, accommodations and car rentals can get expensive. Give yourself enough time to research and reserve in advance to avoid high rates. Please direct additional questions to zkilic@alaska.edu.

We look forward to welcoming you in June.

Yours Sincerely, your conference co-chairs Zeynep, Rachael & Liz.



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Map of Alaska Native Heritage Center

