

UAF Specialty Courses

Courses identified with [special or reserved numbers](#) may be available at all levels (e.g., 193, 293, 393, etc.) at the discretion of any department. These courses may usually be repeated for credit:

- **Seminars** Courses end in -92 or -95 (summer sessions) and cover various topics which may include group discussions and guest speakers.
- **Special Topics Courses** end in -93 and are usually offered one time only.
- **Trial Courses** end in -94 and are offered in anticipation of becoming a permanent course.
- **Individual Study** Courses end in -97 and are on topics not typically taught. [Individual Study](#) courses provide students with opportunities to improve their knowledge in areas of study which are not listed in the current catalog. The student and faculty member prepares a brief proposal and syllabus for the individual study course. Registration is done by completing the [Directed and Individual Study Form](#) (a syllabus of the course must be attached), which is submitted to the [Office of Admissions and the Registrar](#) in 102 Signers' Hall.
- **Non-These Research/Project** Courses ending in -98 prepares students for professional practice.
- **Thesis/Dissertation** Courses ending in -99 prepares students for scholarly or research activity.

Directed Study

[Directed study](#) courses allow a student to contract with an instructor to enroll individually in a course that is listed in the catalog, but in a semester in which the course is not offered. For example, a directed study proposal for BIOL F106X may be approved if the course is not offered fall semester and the student needs to complete the course that semester in order to graduate. The title for the directed study course will include "DS" (BIOL F106X Fundamentals of Biology II DS). Registration is done by completing the [Directed and Individual Study Form](#) which is submitted to the [Office of Admissions and the Registrar](#) in 102 Signers' Hall.

Non-English Language Courses

Some [non-English language](#) courses have split the 5-credit 101 and 102 courses into 3-credit 100A, 100B, 100C, and 100D or 100E and 100F classes. The 100A and 100B courses **together** equal 101. The difference between 100A and 100B and 101 is the number of credits (3 vs. 5) and the pace of the class. The 100A and 100B courses are not prerequisites for 101, but together are equivalent to 101.

After completing both 100A and 100B in Chinese, Japanese, Russian, or Spanish, a student can go on to the 5-credit 102 course or continue to take 3-credit 100C then 100D (Chinese) or 100E then 100F (Japanese) courses. The 100C and 100D (Chinese) or 100E and 100F (Japanese) courses together are equivalent to 102. Italian and Arabic courses are only offered as 3-credit 100A and 100B courses.