

# AVTEC Faculty and Staff

## **ADMINISTRATION**

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M.S. Vocational Education, University of Alaska

B.S. Education, University of Montana  
Vocational Administration Certificate,  
University of Alaska

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B.S. Industrial Technology, Southern Illinois University

A.A.S. Instructional Technology,  
Community College of the Air Force

A.A.S. Aircraft Maintenance  
Technology, Community College of the Air Force

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M.S. Conservation Biology, Fordham University

B.A. English, University of Notre Dame

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## **BUSINESS SERVICES**

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AVTEC Business & Office Technology graduate 1998

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## **CONNECTED ED**

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Education Department Head/Instructor

M.S. Vocational Education, University of Alaska Anchorage

B.S. Secondary Education, Math and Science, University of Illinois,  
Urbana-Champaign

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B.T. Adult Computer Education & Training, University of Alaska Fairbanks

A.A.S. Computer Application,  
University of Alaska Fairbanks

Microsoft Office Specialist Master Instructor

Microsoft Office Specialist Master Internet and Computing Core Certification (IC<sup>3</sup>) Authorized Program Instructor

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AVTEC Business & Office Technology graduate 2000

A.A. Career & Technical Education,  
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## **COUNSELING**

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M.Ed Career Guidance & Counseling,  
Northern Montana College

M.Ed. School Administration,  
University of Great Falls

B.S. Elementary Education, Eastern Montana College

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M.A. English, University of Alaska Anchorage

B.A. English, Eastern New Mexico University

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A.A. Career & Technical Education,  
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## **ALASKA CULINARY ACADEMY**

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Head/Instructor

Certified Executive Chef

Lederwolf Culinary Academy

A.C.F. Approved Practical Examiner  
Alaska Ultimate Chef, 2008

A.C.F. K category competition gold medal, 2008

Alaska Culinary Association Chef of the Year, 2009

Elizabeth Fackler, Pastry Arts

Instructor

A.A. Pastry Arts, Johnson & Wales University

Certificate du Patisserie, Le Cordon Bleu, Paris, France

A.C.F. Certified Culinary Educator

A.C.F. Certified Executive Pastry Chef

Certified TAMS Instructor

A.C.F. Approved Practical Examiner

Cheryl Lewis, Culinary Arts Instructor

B.A. Culinary Arts Management

A.O.S. Culinary Arts

## **ALASKA MARITIME TRAINING CENTER**

Captain Scott A. Hamilton, Department Head/Instructor

USCG Master: Steam or Motor

Vessels, Any Gross Tonnage upon Oceans License

First Class Federal Pilot

LT USNR

B.S. Nautical Industrial Technology,  
California Maritime Academy

STCW Certificate as Master

Radar Observer, GMDSS Operator License

## AVTEC FACULTY AND STAFF

U.S. Merchant Mariners Document:  
Wiper, SD (FH), any unlicensed  
deck rating including AB.

Captain L.A. Holmes, Instructor  
USCG 100 Ton Near Coastal Master  
Certified Online Instructor  
Alaska Marine Safety Education  
Association Certified Instructor  
A.A. Career & Technical Education,  
Alaska Pacific University

Captain Dale Butts, Instructor  
USCG 100 Ton Master 1600 Ton Mate  
Near Coastal License  
First-Aid, CPR, AED, and Alaska  
Marine Safety Education Association  
Certified Instructor

Captain Andy Mezirow, Instructor  
USCG 1600 Ton Mate Any Ocean  
License  
USCG 200 Ton Master Any Ocean  
License  
B.S. Marine Biology & Maritime Affairs  
Radar Observer Unlimited  
Able Seaman Unlimited  
Alaska Marine Safety Education  
Association Certified Instructor

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US Coast Guard Retired  
M.A., International Relations, Salve  
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M.Div., Vancouver School of Theology  
B.A., Social Science, Chapman  
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Captain Dan Butts, Instructor  
USCG 1600 Ton Master of Towing  
Near Coastal

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A.A. Career & Technical Education,  
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Third Assistant Engineer of Steam &  
Motor Vessels, Unlimited Tonnage  
Master 100 GT Vessels  
Journey Level Refrigeration  
Technician  
Journey Level Marine Electrician

Commercial Refrigeration, Heating,  
and Air Conditioning Certificate,  
Polytechnical Institute  
Automation Certificate, Marine  
Electrical Certificate, and Advanced  
Shipboard Firefighting Certificate,  
Seafarers Harry Lundberg School of  
Seamanship  
NATE Certified for Oil Furnaces-ACE  
Service Technician  
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### **ALLIED HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

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PH.D. Nursing Care of Children,  
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M.S. Parent-Child Nursing/Nursing  
Care of Children with Developmental  
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B.S.N. Nursing, Villanova University

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M.S.N. Burn & Trauma Nursing,  
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B.S. Nursing, Winona State College,  
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B.S. Nursing, South Dakota State  
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M.Ed., Jones International University  
B.Ed., University of Alaska Fairbanks

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### **DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES**

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State University  
ASE Certified Master Mechanic  
ASE Certifications in: Engine Repair,  
Suspension & Steering, Brakes,  
Electricity/Electronics, Manual Drive  
Trains & Axles, and Engine  
Performance, Exhaust Systems,  
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A.A.S. Electronics, University of  
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ASE Certified Master Auto Technician  
ASE Advanced Engine Performance  
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Peyton Sparks, Power Plant Instructor  
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USCG Unlimited Horsepower, Chief  
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A.A. Career & Technical Education,  
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Master CAT Field Mechanic  
Corrective Engineer, Komatsu  
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## AVTEC FACULTY AND STAFF

Journey Level Heavy Equipment  
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M.S. Vocational Education, University  
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B.S. Electrical Engineering, Portland  
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A.A.S. Electronics, Pacific Union  
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Journey Level Pipe & Steam Fitter  
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### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT**

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M.S. Vocational Education, University  
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B.S. Business Administration, Oregon  
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Microsoft Certified Trainer

Microsoft Certified Application  
Specialist Instructor

Microsoft Office Specialist Master  
Instructor

Microsoft Office Specialist Master  
Internet and Computing Core

Certification (IC<sup>3</sup>) Authorized  
Program Instructor

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B.S. Occupational Education, Wayland  
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A.A.S. Instructional Technologies,  
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AVTEC Information Technology  
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CIW Certified Web Development  
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Microsoft Certified Systems  
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USCG Licensed Master 150 GT, Upon  
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### **LEARNING RESOURCES**

#### **DEPARTMENT**

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B.A. History & Political Science,  
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### **RESIDENTIAL LIFE DEPARTMENT**

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