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Economist



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Tony Nakazawa promotes community and economic development. His outreach includes rural education and supporting the development of cooperatives, primarily in rural Alaska. A University of Alaska Fairbanks faculty member since 1981, he has held a variety of positions, including local government/community development specialist, economist, interim home economics program chair and director of Extension.

A special interest is cultural/heritage tourism. Tony helped promote celebrations of Jujiro Wada and Alfred Lowell, Alaska pioneers who were commissioned by the Seward Commercial Club to blaze the Iditarod Trail route after miners discovered gold at Iditarod in 1908.

Tony earned a bachelor's degree in economics at the University of Hawaii in 1971, a master's in urban economics from the University of California Santa Barbara in 1974 and a doctorate in agriculture and resource economics in 1979 from the University of California Berkeley.

