

# Credit Courses Per TV

Two credit courses will be given on television this fall which will allow persons in several rural areas to get credit from the University of Alaska without leaving their homes.

The classes, "Ascent of Man," and "Classic Theater: Humanities in Drama," are being coordinated by the Summer Sessions and Special Programs office of the university in Fairbanks.

They will be shown on KUAC television in Fairbanks, KUAC translator stations in the interior, and other PBS stations in Bethel and Anchorage.

The "Ascent of Man," an anthropology course, was given last semester, and had great response, said Dr. Larry Helms, Coordinator of Special Academic Projects. "Classic Theater" consists of 13 classic plays, each

two hours long, preceded by an analysis and criticism by experts in the field.

Each program will be shown once during its scheduled week, and each will be repeated on the following weekend.

Television courses are just part of what the Special Projects office does, said Helms. In keeping with its job of extending academic programs into the community, Summer Sessions and Special Programs conducts correspondence courses and teaches on military bases. They also conduct mini-courses for one credit.

To teach a mini-course, a professor will travel to an area requesting the course, and give an intensive class that lasts three days or so.

Several courses have been taped for distribution to pipeline camps in a project with Alyeska. These tapes will also be used in other areas where they are wanted.

Helms said that more television and possible radio courses for credit may be coming up, and several are in the making, including one on computers and one on economics. Their future will depend upon reactions to next semester's two offerings.