

Maya Chohan first to earn associate degree in Nome

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ANCHORAGE--The first student to earn an associate of arts degree from Northwest Community College in Nome is Maya Chohan.

She received a degree in office occupations from Dr. Donald Gatzke, president of the college, during graduation ceremonies last Friday in Nome's city council chambers.

University of Alaska spokespersons in Anchorage said that in addition, 22 other students were honored at the ceremonies.

One-year certificates were distributed to six students in office occupations, plus one

student each in business, fundamental studies and building maintenance trades. Students in the building maintenance trades class constructed a house as a class project and auctioned it off this spring.

Twelve students from villages throughout the Norton Sound area earned certificates as community health practitioners and a Gambell student received a certificate as a community family services representative.

Approximately 400 students enrolled in spring semester classes at Northwest Community College, the newest of the University of Alaska community colleges which opened in September, 1975.