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## News Engagement at the University of Alaska Southeast

NPR International Correspondent Peter Kenyon will launch News Engagement efforts in September at the University of Alaska Southeast.

The Juneau campus has pledged to make everyday News Engagement Day. On Tuesday, Sept. 18, Kenyon will speak at a campus-wide event in *Egan Lecture Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.* 

Tuesday, Oct. 2, is the annual News Engagement Day when students will engage in current events quizzes, fact-checking contests, and meet with local journalists. Later in the semester, journalism students will participate in a panel on news coverage at the annual UAS Power and Privilege Symposium.

Based in Istanbul, Turkey, Kenyon started his public radio career at KFSK in Petersburg, Alaska. He went on to cover the Alaska State Legislature then joined NPR in 1995 as a Washington, D.C. correspondent. Kenyon moved to Cairo in 2005 where he covered the Middle East and North Africa for five years before taking the Istanbul assignment, which he calls an opportunity "to bring an international perspective to news involving Turkey and Iran." He has been recognized for outstanding coverage of post-war Iraq.