

Greetings from the Graduate Coordinator

Why should you get a Masters Degree in Geography from Appalachian State University? Because we are a strong and well-respected department with a diverse faculty that offers a wide range of exciting opportunities. Faculty interests run the gamut from ethnography to remote sensing in mountain environments to biogeography. We have small classes and our terminal degree is a Masters so students get individualized attention of our faculty and enjoy an open-door policy. Interested in GISciences? We offer a variety of classes for people interested in a career in the geospatial industry. Interested in Planning? We have a concentration in Planning designed to prepare graduates for careers in local and regional planning offices. Interested in an opportunity to travel? We regularly lead groups of students on field excursions—this year to India, Costa Rica and Idaho. Like mountains? Many of our students and faculty members share strong mountain interests in places ranging from the southern Appalachians to the Andes. Our graduate students are involved in projects both home and abroad and a strong number of our graduates have gone on to pursue PhDs. Our students work for nonprofits such as the Nature Conservancy, government agencies such as the Forest Service, planning agencies across the region and leading businesses such as ESRI. A Masters in Geography from ASU can help you reach your goals. Besides, Boone is a really nice place to live while you are getting your degree!

I encourage you to contact me with your questions.

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