

**SPRING (MAY) GRADUATION APPLICATION**

**APP. DEADLINE: FEB 13, 2009  
COMMENCEMENT: MAY 9, 2009**

**RETURN TO: CRATIS D. WILLIAMS GRADUATE SCHOOL  
P. O. Box 32068 - Boone, NC 28608**

**To graduate and receive a diploma you must apply, regardless of whether you plan to attend Commencement.**  
Persons who wish to graduate must: (1) apply for graduation, and (2) have completed all graduation requirements or be able to complete all graduation requirements by the official date of graduation, including incomplete grades, internship, comprehensives, thesis/dissertation, etc.

***DO YOU PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SPRING COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY? YES NO (circle)***

**Please Print**

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**NAME (EXACTLY AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON DIPLOMA)**

**BANNER ID NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**PERMANENT ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP**  
(DIPLOMA WILL BE MAILED TO THIS ADDRESS)

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**PHONE NUMBER (LOCAL & PERMANENT - PLEASE SPECIFY)**

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**EMAIL ADDRESS**

**Circle Your Expected Degree(s)**

**MA MA/SSP MBA MLS MM MMT MPA MS MSA MSW EDS EDD**

**DEPARTMENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PROGRAM:** \_\_\_\_\_

Date on which you plan to complete all requirements for your degree: \_\_\_\_\_

**A NON-REFUNDABLE FEE OF \$20.00 (\$25.00 if after the deadline) is required at time of application. This fee pays both the cost of the diploma and postage. Make check/money order payable to **Appalachian State University**. (No Cash or Credit/Debit Cards). We must have your full application fee to process your graduation. **School Psychology and other double degree graduates pay \$40.00 for two diplomas.****

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Signature of Graduate Student Date Graduate School Approval Date

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

1. Any changes in your **Program of Study** must be approved in writing by your advisor, and a **Change Authorization** form should be sent to Graduate Records - Registrar's Office, 132 JET. **Students are responsible for confirming with their advisors that all paperwork has been submitted and approved.**
2. All **library books** returned and all library **finances paid before** graduation.
3. All **financial student accounts** must be paid **before** graduation.
4. All **theses and dissertations** must be **received for binding** by the **Graduate School** before graduation.
5. If you wish to apply for **North Carolina Department of Public Instruction Teacher Certification**, the appropriate application form (available in the Graduate School) must be returned to the Certification Office. (Edwin Duncan Hall)
6. Purchase your **cap/gown/hood** at the University Bookstore. (828-262-3070)

**If you have any additional questions regarding graduation, please contact Susan Triplett at 828-262-2175.**

**GRADUATE EDUCATION QUESTIONNAIRE**

**Spring 2009**

**The quality of your graduate education experience at Appalachian is very important to us. As you depart the campus with an ASU degree, we ask that you take a few minutes to reflect on your experiences and answer the following questions as honestly and openly as you can. It is not necessary to sign the form itself; if you are taking the form with you instead of completing it in the Graduate School, simply return the completed questionnaire to the Graduate School Office with your Application for Graduation. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Degree and Track:** (e.g., MS, Biology) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Department:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please circle the number that best indicates your response as it relates to your graduate education at Appalachian.**

<b>Questions about curricular issues:</b>	<b>Not At all</b>	<b>Some- what</b>	<b>Completely</b>	<b>NA (circle)</b>				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
1. Did you acquire the knowledge and experience, and develop the necessary skills, for appropriate professional employment, continued professional development, and/or further graduate study?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	NA
2. Did you develop an understanding of research in your discipline, including the manner in which research is conducted, where and how to find the most relevant literature in the field, and theories and methods applied to investigative studies?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	NA
3. Were you able to use your newly-acquired skills to analyze, explore, question, reconsider, synthesize and apply knowledge to unanswered questions in your field?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	NA
4. Were you introduced to, and did you acquire a thorough understanding of, appropriate ethical behavior in your profession?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	NA

**Questions about student-faculty interactions:**

5. Did you benefit from an intellectual/creative relationship with graduate faculty mentors?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	NA		
6. Did you receive essential information in a timely manner regarding deadlines, e.g. deadlines for applications for thesis/dissertation research grants, for GSAS travel and research grants, for submitting theses in time for a specific commencement, etc?			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	NA
7. Were faculty helpful in identifying internships and in job searches?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	NA		

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**Questions about professional development:**

	<b>Not At all</b>		<b>Some- what</b>		<b>Completely</b>		<b>NA</b>	
8. Did you develop the ability to communicate effectively to colleagues in ways that are appropriate for your discipline?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	NA
9. Did you develop an awareness of diversity as it exists in culture, national experience, identity and values?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	NA
10. On a scale of 1(worst) to 10 (best), how would you rate your graduate program and experience?	_____							

**Narrative comments are very important in evaluations as well. Please describe the strengths and weaknesses of your program and Appalachian experience, and provide any additional comments you deem appropriate.**

**Strengths** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Weaknesses** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Comments** \_\_\_\_\_  
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Thank you very much for your cooperation,

Edelma Huntley, Dean of Research and Graduate Studies

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