

CRATIS D. WILLIAMS GRADUATE SCHOOL
P. O. Box 32068 - Boone, NC 28608 – 828-262-2175

APPLICATION FOR A GRADUATE DEGREE– RETURN APPLICATION TO ABOVE ADDRESS

ATTENTION AUGUST GRADUATES: Application should be completed and returned no later than **July 3, 2008**. Persons who wish to graduate must: (1) apply for graduation, and (2) have completed all graduation requirements or be on schedule to complete all graduation requirements by the end of the second summer term (including internship, comprehensive exams & thesis/dissertation).

COMMENCEMENT: Appalachian does *not* hold a commencement ceremony in August. August graduates may participate in either the May or December ceremony; at whichever ceremony you attend, you will be introduced on stage and hooded as a mark of earning your degree. August graduate names **WILL NOT** be printed in the May program; these names will be printed in the December program **only**. If you attend in May, you may request to have copies of the December program mailed to you by sending an email to triplettsw@appstate.edu; please include your name, address and the number of copies you would like. The programs will be mailed sometime in **January**.

WILL YOU PARTICIPATE IN COMMENCEMENT? (Please circle one)	NO	MAY	DECEMBER
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Please return the attached questionnaire along with your application.

Please Print

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

BANNER ID NUMBER: _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS (no P.O.'s) CITY STATE ZIP
(DIPLOMA WILL BE MAILED TO THIS ADDRESS) _____

PHONE NUMBER (LOCAL & PERMANENT - PLEASE SPECIFY) _____

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 covers the cost of the diploma and mailing. Make check/money order payable to **Appalachian State University. (Please, no Cash or Credit/Debit Cards)** We must have your full application fee to process your graduation. **School Psychology graduates pay \$40.00 for two diplomas (MA and SSP).**

Signature of Graduate Student _____ Date _____ Graduate School Approval _____ Date _____

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

- Any changes in your **Program of Study** must be approved in writing by your advisor and a **Change Authorization** form should be sent to **Jessica Hagaman or Melissa Hicks in the Registrar's Office**.
- All **library books** returned and all **library fines paid before** graduation.
- All **accounts** must be satisfied **before** graduation.
- Your **thesis/dissertation** must be cleared and **received for binding** by the **Graduate School. (When applicable)**
- If you wish to apply for **North Carolina Department of Public Instruction Teacher Certification**, the appropriate application form must be returned to the Certification Office. Contact [Jean Edwards@edwardsjk@appstate.edu](mailto:Jean.Edwards@edwardsjk@appstate.edu) - 262-6891 (Edwin Duncan Hall) or [Susan Triplett @triplettsw@appstate.edu](mailto:Susan.Triplett@triplettsw@appstate.edu) – 262-2175 (Graduate School).
- Purchase your **cap/gown/hood** at the University Bookstore. (828-262-3070).

GRADUATE EDUCATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Summer 2008

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., M.A., Biology Education) _____

Department: _____

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

Questions about curricular issues:	Not At all		Some- what		Completely		NA (circle)	
	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		

Questions about professional development:

Not Some- Completely NA
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		At all						what	
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 _____

Weaknesses _____

Comments _____

Thank you very much for your cooperation,

Edelma Huntley, Interim Dean of Graduate Studies and Research

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