



Service-Learning & Community-Based Research Assistant II

Overview of Position

Appalachian & the Community Together (ACT) is Appalachian State University's clearinghouse for community service, service-learning, and community-based research opportunities within the NC High Country area, as well as across the state, nation, and world. We offer diverse opportunities for individuals and student groups to get involved in human services and environmental advocacy, as well as assist faculty members and community partners with integrating community service projects into their academic courses and local agencies.

ACT is supported by both Student Development and Academic Affairs, and is a proud member of North Carolina Campus Compact, a statewide coalition of colleges/universities that is dedicated to community service, service-learning, and civic engagement initiatives. The ACT Service-Learning & Community-Based Research Program is a unit within Appalachian's University College. University College consists of the university's integrated general education curriculum, academic support services, residential learning communities, interdisciplinary degree programs and co-curricular programming all designed to support the work of students both inside and outside of the classroom.

Responsibilities

Reports to: Director of Academic Civic Engagement

- Collect & synthesize research on best practices in service-learning and community-based research.
- Assist with faculty development efforts and logistics associated with the ACT Faculty Fellows, SL/CBR Workshop Series, and Syllabus Review programs.
- Video documentation of SL/CBR projects.
- Assist with promoting service-learning and community-based research to faculty and students, monitoring projects that have been selected, interacting with the Office of Student Research, etc.
- Assist with service-learning budget management.
- Co-advise the Student Service-Learning Task Force and attend all Service-Learning Council meetings.

- Advise/co-coordinate 1 major ACT event, such as Dance Marathon, MLK Challenge, Don't Throw it Away, etc.
- Assist with and attend all major ACT-sponsored events.
- Opportunity for additional projects/learning opportunities as interest is expressed by GA.
- Additional responsibilities as assigned.

Compensation

ACT Graduate Assistants earn \$9000 per academic year for 20 hours per week. Additional hourly work during the summer may be available to ACT GA's who plan to spend their summer in Boone. For more information, please contact Heather Jo Mashburn, Assistant Director for ACT at mashburnhj@appstate.edu or (828) 262-2545.