At an extremely competitive tuition rate, Appalachian provides a rigorous and challenging academic environment, in which students demonstrate their passion through research and actively develop their intellectual, personal and professional growth.

**6-year graduation rate**
(National reporting standard)

73%

30% above national average

**85%**

student-athlete graduation success rate
1st among Sun Belt universities

120,000

number of living App alumni

88,000

number of App alumni living in NC

**Total enrollment:**

19,000

16% total underrepresented student enrollment

**Retention Rates**

Overall freshman to sophomore:
89%

20% above national average

Underrepresented Students:
87%

*2015 Cohort

**Enrollment**

growth trends show slow and steady annual increases of about 2% each year

648

number of student grants funded by Office of Student Research in 2015-16; 412 were for undergraduate research.

**Sustainability**

1st place winner, national Climate Leadership Award
Second Nature and the U.S. Green Building Council Center for Green Schools

2nd

highest percentage of sustainability courses*
First in North Carolina

#3

in the country for sustainability performance*

more than 1/2 of incoming students reported sustainability initiatives influenced their decision to attend Appalachian

More than $22.5 million of value to the community in the last 10 years

More than 1.1 million hours of service using the $24.14 per hour national standard for volunteer time plus $531,300 in funds raised.

74%

Students paying down their college loan debt
National average: 46%
*college scorecard data

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