

# **Johnny MacLean**

**Assistant Provost for Faculty Affairs at Southern Utah University**

Cedar City, UT, US

Specializing in the tectonics and geology of the national parks and southern Utah

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## **Biography**

Assistant Provost for Faculty Affairs at Southern Utah University, Dr. Johnny MacLean enjoys taking students outdoors to study in the region's diverse landscape. With backyard access to Utah's Bryce Canyon and Zion National Parks, Dr. MacLean's students learn about geology in a remarkable real-world setting. He teaches upper-division courses in structural and environmental geology, tectonics, and field geology.

At SUU, Dr. MacLean serves as chair of the university's general education committee, director of the Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies Program, and is a provost faculty fellow. He has also served as academic coordinator for SUU's Semester in the Parks initiative, an outdoor study program that takes students into the National Parks to live and learn.

After completing a bachelor's degree in geology at Furman University, Dr. MacLean earned a master's degree in earth science at Syracuse University, and a Ph.D. in geosciences at University of Montana. Before joining SUU in 2002, he worked in the oil and gas industry in Texas, and in the environmental consulting industry in Montana.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Education/Learning, Research

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Environmental Geology, Field Geology Investigation, Geology, Geological Mapping, Geology of National Parks, Geology of Southern Utah, National Parks, Physical Geology, Structural Geology, Tectonics, Tectonics of National Parks, Utah National Parks

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## **Affiliations**

Geological Society of America : member., National Association for Geoscience Teachers : member., National Collegiate Honors Council : member., Utah Geological Association : member., Partners in the Parks : member.

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## **Education**

**Furman University**

B.S. Geology

**Syracuse University**  
M.S. Earth Science

**University of Montana**  
Ph.D. Geosciences

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## **Accomplishments**

**Provost Faculty Fellow**  
2016-present

**SUU Faculty Award for Distinguished Service**  
2017

**Outstanding Contributor to the SUU Honors Program**  
2017

**Mental Health First Aid Certification**  
2016

**Thunderbird Award for SUU Faculty of the Year**  
2015

**SUU Gerald R. Sherratt Library Information Literacy Award**  
2014

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