

Susan Appe Bio:

Susan Appe is a Capital Region native who has settled in Albany's Washington Park neighborhood. She is Associate Professor of Public Administration and Policy at Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy at the University at Albany, SUNY, where her research focuses on government-nonprofit relations, collaborative governance and foreign aid provision. She teaches graduate and undergraduate classes on public service, philanthropy and nonprofit management. At UAlbany, she has created the *Student Philanthropy Fund* which allows students to distribute funds to local Capital District nonprofit organizations as part of coursework in which they learn about philanthropy and the role of nonprofits in building vibrant communities (see [here](#)). She serves on the Board of Directors RISSE (Refugee & Immigrant Support Services of Emmaus, Inc.) which is a local, Capital Region nonprofit organization that supports newcomers to the region in building sustainable lives. In her free time, she enjoys playing racquet sports, collecting art from local and emerging artists and cycling during the warmer months in New York State.