

Chris Maike

M.S. Geology (2014)

Chris Maike, a native of Fremont Michigan, enrolled at the University of Toledo in 2012, where he would pursue a Master of Science Geology degree under the supervision of Dr. David Krantz. He found that, out of all the colleges he was considering for graduate school, the University of Toledo was the best due to its strong program in



coastal and glacial processes and the extensive hands-on training that the department's courses provide. Furthermore, after touring the campus, he fell in love with the atmosphere and extra-curricular opportunities.

Under the advisership of Dr. Krantz, Chris conducted research on the coastal processes of the Assateague Island coast in Maryland. While conducting his research he also joined the Department's GK-12 Program, funded by the National Science Foundation. This program carefully selects graduate student teaching fellows and places them in one of 10 regional high school STEM curricula. The goal is to provide the fellows a chance to mentor and instruct high school students through their own research projects. While working as a fellow for the GK-12 Program, Chris mentored students at the Toledo Early College High School and taught water quality and assessment.

In 2014, Chris graduated with his Master of Science in Geology and secured a geologist position with the North Dakota Geological Survey. Currently, his work focuses on geologic and LiDAR mapping, and reviewing environmental reports. Reflecting back, his experience with his advisor and education he received at the University of Toledo superbly prepared him for his current position.

"I had a great experience at The University of Toledo. I was given so many opportunities, including a variety of fascinating courses and field trips around the country. I owe a great amount to Dr. Krantz as he was a top notch adviser. He always gave me words of encouragement and constructive feedback, to which I am forever grateful."