## **Faculty Member Contact Information**

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### 1 Funded, 1 Unfunded URCA Assistant

This position is <b>ONLY</b> open to students who have declared a major in this discipline.	M
This project deals with social justice issues.	•
This project deals with sustainability (green) issues.	
This project deals with human health and wellness issues.	+
This project deals with community outreach.	*
This mentor's project is interdisciplinary in nature.	I

Are you willing to work with students from outside of your discipline? If yes, which other disciplines?

Yes

How many hours per week will your student(s) be required to work in this position? (Minimum is 6 hours per week; typical is 9)

6-9, dependent on the number of credits

Will it be possible for your student(s) to earn course credit?

CHEM 296, CHEM 396 0-3

## **Location of research/creative activities:**

Southwest Illinois Center for Justice and Workforce Development, Belleville

# Brief description of the nature of the research/creative activity?

The student will work in the lab developing new methods to identify components in evidence faster. They will use various types of instrumentation in spectroscopy and chromatography.

## Brief description of student responsibilities?

The students will be responsible for working in the lab. The student will also need to make solutions, which means understanding the concentration units of molarity and parts per million to apply in a lab setting. The student will also be responsible for documenting work completed, either in a paper or an electronic notebook.

URCA Assistant positions are designed to provide students with *research or creative activities* experience. As such, there should be measurable, appropriate outcome goals. What exactly should your student(s) have learned by the end of this experience?

The student should learn how to do basic analyses using instrumentation in a chemistry lab. The student will also develop basic lab skills to include solution and sample preparation.

#### **Requirements of Students**

If the position(s) require students to be available at certain times each week (as opposed to them being able to set their own hours) please indicate all required days and times:

If the location of the research/creative activities involves off campus work, must students provide their own transportation?

Students will have to be able to provide their own transportation to and from Belleville at this time. There is potential for a shuttle, but it is not known at this time whether or not that will be in place for this upcoming fall semester.

Must students have taken any prerequisite classes? Please list classes and preferred grades:

Take CHEM 121B/125B (or transfer equivalent) with a C or higher.

Other requirements or notes to applicants: