





Faculty Member Contact Information

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1 Funded, 2 Unfunded URCA Assistant

	This position is ONLY open to students who have declared a major in this discipline.	M
X	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.	
X	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)

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

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Location of research/creative activities:

online, Peck Hall office weekly/biweekly meetings

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

The student assistants will be involved in gathering data and research related to the study of totalitarian regimes, comparing the Nazi, Soviet and modern Russian occupations of Ukraine. There are three parts to the research: background literature research on fascism/communism and popular resistance, information available through media and scholarly sources. Students will be involved in some, or all three parts. The topic is particularly appropriate for those studying Political Science, History, Communication and Sociology.

Brief description of student responsibilities?

Students will be assigned weekly tasks based on the stage of research, and providing weekly reports of data collection. They will be responsible for independent work and collecting and summarizing (as necessary) existing research, information from the media sources.

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?

Students will learn about and become familiar with: (1) how to find and synthesize international level political and social data about invasions and war crimes committed by the invading forces; and (2) how to search and integrate news source information to create context for a case study. Students are expected to develop a more in-depth understanding of (1) the military invasion and occupational tactics, and (2) popular resistance of the people of Ukraine.

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:

n/a

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

n/a

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

Students are NOT required to have taken courses in Political Science, History, Communication and Sociology, but those students who have background coursework in these fields may be given priority in considering their applications.

Other requirements or notes to applicants:

Thank you.