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
	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

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

Yes 499 3

Location of research/creative activities:

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

I am investigating one of the earliest, if not the earliest use of musical notation for a vernacular language. I need to review the history of scholarship on this musical notation, so will be compiling an extensive and thorough bibliographic review of existing research. I would prefer to have an assistant unafraid to search for items in languages other than English, or who have a background in musicology or languages.

Brief description of student responsibilities?

You will be taught methods and techniques of conducting thorough bibliographic research on a topic. In addition to being taught how to use the current databases and research techniques, I will also need assistance in researching both the musical and the textual backgrounds of the manuscript I am studying.

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?

Yes

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?

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

Other requirements or notes to applicants:

Preference given to applicants with knowledge of languages other than English (German amongst others).