

Faculty Member Contact Information

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1 Funded, 1 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?

No

Location of research/creative activities:

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

The student will assist with one or more ongoing projects examining factors that influence student success and well-being in higher education. Possible projects include (1) a study exploring belonging, involvement, and sense of community among students within the Department of Applied Health, and/or (2) a physical activity intervention study investigating how movement breaks and daily activity patterns relate to perceived academic control and academic performance. Both projects use a combination of survey and objective data (e.g., Qualtrics surveys, accelerometer or wearable data) to understand behavioral and psychosocial contributors to academic outcomes.

Brief description of student responsibilities?

Students will be involved in all aspects of the research projects including (but not limited to): conducting literature reviews, participant recruitment, data collection, data analysis, abstract/manuscript preparation, and submission/presentation of abstract at regional and/or national conferences. All activities will be conducted under the supervision of Dr. Vanderbunt and, if applicable, in collaboration with graduate research assistants.

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:

Weekly meetings will be scheduled at the beginning of the Spring Semester based on student availability. Outside of those meetings, students will have the flexibility to perform their work as it fits their schedule.

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

All activities will be performed on campus.

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

Prerequisites are not required, but preference will be given to students that have completed KIN 315 and KIN 350 (or concurrent enrollment).

Other requirements or notes to applicants:

None