

2006-2007 MIE-STEM FACULTY MINI-GRANTS

2006-2007 STUDENT RESEARCH ASSISTANT

“Removal of Heavy Metal Pollutants from Industrial Wastewater using Natural Materials”

The Center for Undergraduate Research (CUR): How did you find out about working on this research proposal?

Keturah Hunter (KH): Through a course needed to complete my major called “Physics Projects”.

CUR: What is your contribution to this proposal?

KH: Unfortunately, we are at the beginning stages of our project so we are trying to gain data and separate the project into different aspects that each person can focus on.

CUR: How does this proposal fit into your academic and social schedule?

KH: As I stated, it’s a course required for physics majors. Because I am a senior, I have fewer classes to take so I was available for the project and its time.

CUR: Will this proposal assist you in your future academic/or career plans? If so, explain.

KH: I never looked into environmental issues before. I was more focused on biological engineering, in terms of human reconstruction (artificial heart, prosthesis). Yet, through this project, I have gained more of an interest for this field.

CUR: Do you have any recommendations for future student assistants who will work in a similar field?

KH: It is important to get the exposure in your field of interest in order to decide if it is right for you. In addition, gain experience in more than one field because it allows you to choose what’s best for you.



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