Susan Kotowski, a PhD Candidate in Occupational Safety and Ergonomics, has been awarded a Ryan Fellowship. The Albert J. Ryan Fellowship is the highest honor the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine bestows on graduate students. The goal of the award is to promote the careers of students who will make important contributions to biomedical research. Thus, the primary criterion for the award is an assessment of the potential of each candidate to become a productive investigator who will make important or creative discoveries. She is one of six Environmental health students that have received the reward. Ms. Kotowski has also received several other awards recently including the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) Ford Motor Company Foundation scholarship and a dissertation grant from the International Society of Biomechanics. In addition, she was one of only 70 students at UC to receive a University Research Council Summer Research Fellowship. Susan is a 3rd year student under Dr. Kermit Davis.