Head, Instruction and Outreach

The University of Arkansas Libraries seek applications and nominations for the position of Head, Instruction and Outreach. The head leads the department made up of subject librarians for agriculture, business, education, engineering, geosciences, social and life sciences, and mathematics and works with all librarians who provide collection development and instruction to deliver effective services to students and faculty in classrooms, academic departments, residence halls, and the University’s Global Campus.

Working in an environment where constant change and transformation occur, the head provides collaborative leadership in the development and assessment of an effective and engaging library instructional program in conjunction with the collection management program to meet the information requirements of the teaching and research programs of the university and promotes the library and its resources. Responsibilities of this position include research and creative work and service in keeping with the faculty requirements of the University of Arkansas. The successful candidate must have demonstrated accomplishments in performance, scholarly activity, and professional service to meet criteria for appointment at the level of librarian/professor. A dossier will be required for appointment and hiring.

**Qualifications. Required:** A master’s degree from an ALA-accredited program and a minimum of seven years of experience with research and instruction programs and collection development in support of both undergraduate and graduate research programs; demonstrated experience with assessment tools and strategies; and demonstrated understanding of, and receptiveness to, the uses of emerging technologies, such as Blackboard Collaborate, to meet changing user needs. A strong commitment to providing effective customer service; excellent interpersonal skills encompassing the ability to work collegially as a member of a team; strong analytical and organizational skills; and excellent written and oral communication skills.

**Preferred:** Knowledge of trends and issues in scholarly communications; experience with delivering research and instructional services in a distance education or virtual environment; and demonstrated success with managing or coordinating projects and/or people.

**Rank and Salary:** Tenure-track, twelve-month faculty appointment at the rank of Librarian / Professor. Salary: $75,000.

**Benefits:** Relocation allowance available. Benefits include TIAA/CREF, Fidelity Mutual Fund, or the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, 22 days of annual leave, tuition reduction, and health insurance.

**Background:** The University of Arkansas places students first by enhancing academic programs, creating an engaging campus life, reducing obstacles, enhancing diversity, improving graduation rates, and marshaling the expertise of the faculty, staff, and students. The University is classified by the Carnegie Foundation as a research university with very high levels of research activity (RU/VH). The University provides a superior campus landscape and environment while designing and building world class facilities. The funding for research awards and research expenditures continues to grow and so do the academic programs offered. The University Libraries share in the stewardship of the University’s goals and takes responsibility for the health of the research and teaching collections as well as programs that further support the academic mission. For more information, visit the Libraries’ home page ([http://libinfo.uark.edu](http://libinfo.uark.edu)). **The University of Arkansas campus** ([http://www.uark.edu/](http://www.uark.edu/)) in Fayetteville, Arkansas, with a student enrollment of more than 25,000, is the flagship campus of the University of Arkansas System. With a population of approximately 460,000, the northwest Arkansas region is home to two Fortune 100 company headquarters. This thriving region offers numerous cultural venues, such as the Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, the Walton Arts Center, and the Shiloh Museum of Ozark History. ([http://www.collegetownprofile.com/arkansas/universityofarkansas/index.html](http://www.collegetownprofile.com/arkansas/universityofarkansas/index.html))
Application deadline and contact information. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Completed applications received by July 8, 2014, will receive full consideration. Late applications will be reviewed as necessary to fill the position. Send letter of application, résumé, and names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three current references to libhrofc@uark.edu to the attention of Jeff Banks, Assistant Director for Library Human Resources and Diversity Programs, University of Arkansas Libraries, 365 N. McIlroy Avenue, Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701-4002.

The University of Arkansas is an equal opportunity, affirmative action institution. The University welcomes applications without regard to age, race, gender (including pregnancy), national origin, disability, religion, marital or parental status, protected veteran status, military service, genetic information or sexual orientation. Persons must have proof of legal authority to work in the United States on the first day of employment. All applicant information is subject to public disclosure under the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act.