

Assistant Librarian, Marx Library, University of South Alabama

The University of South Alabama invites applications for an Assistant Librarian with a focus on Social Sciences, a 12-month, non-tenure track faculty continuing appointment in the Marx Library with an approximate start date of July 1, 2023.

The Assistant Librarian serves as the liaison to the Communication, Sociology and Anthropology, Social Work, Gerontology, Political Science and Criminal Justice, Psychology, and Military Science Departments, and is responsible for providing instruction, collection development, and outreach services to the faculty, graduate students, and undergraduate students in those departments. The person in this position also shares library instruction responsibilities for the general education composition course (English 102) with the other liaison librarians. The Assistant Librarian effectively uses instructional technologies, such as LibGuides and video creation software, and works with the Instruction Coordinator Librarian and the Instructional Committee to design, implement, and assess library instruction for assigned departments. This librarian offers one-on-one and workshop consultations to departmental faculty and students. The Social Sciences Librarian is involved in library, professional and university service, and professional development and scholarly activities that will lead professional growth; fostering an accessible, inclusive, welcoming, and safe environment; supporting USA Libraries values of service, collaboration, communication, professionalism, and adaptability.

Qualifications: Required

- Master's degree in Library and Information Science from an ALA-accredited institution, or international equivalent
- Excellent oral, written, and interpersonal communication skills
- Experience providing reference services and research help
- Applied knowledge of the ACRL Framework for Information Literacy for Higher Education
- Knowledge and familiarity with the Social Sciences
- Demonstrated experience in providing instruction, responsive and quality reference, digital, and collaborative library research services including consultations
- Understanding of current and emerging trends in the assigned subject areas and in academic librarianship; knowledge of electronic resources and information technologies
- Ability to build collaborative and mutually beneficial working relationships with people of varying backgrounds; work effectively with faculty, students, professional colleagues and diverse academic groups; ability to advocate and promote library resources and services to a variety of constituents
- Experience providing information and research services in an academic library (may be student internship experience)
- Knowledge of current and emerging instructional technologies
- Demonstrated ability to work both independently and collaboratively
- Excellent communication, interpersonal, and problem-solving skills
- Demonstrated excellence in communicating across a diverse range of constituencies; initiative, flexibility, and a strong service orientation
- Evidence of a commitment to social justice, diversity, anti-racism, and inclusion in library practice

(Relevant experience may include, but is not limited to, academic libraries, teaching or research positions, corporate or laboratory settings, etc.)

Qualifications: Preferred

- Undergraduate degree in a Social Sciences discipline or equivalent training and experience
- Experience providing reference and library instruction services in Social Sciences disciplines
- Teaching experience, which may include designing online resources, consulting with individual researchers or project teams, and planning in-person or virtual workshops or class sessions
- Demonstrated ability to carry out a liaison program through outreach, building relationships, and providing library services and support to diverse stakeholders
- Experience developing and evaluating service initiatives
- Demonstrated ability to use current technologies for delivering and developing library services, including course management systems and social media
- Demonstrated knowledge of Springshare products such as LibGuides, and a reference chat product
- Understanding of research trends and applications the Social Sciences; demonstrated understanding of scholarly communication issues
- Demonstrated ability to manage projects and multiple tasks while meeting deadlines and solving problems in a rapidly changing environment.

Review of applications will begin May 1, 2023 and will continue until the position is filled.

Submit letter of application, CV or resume, unofficial copies of transcripts and the names and contact information for three professional references to Ellen Wilson at libraryadmin@southalabama.edu. Official transcripts and three signed professional letters of reference are required for appointment.

Candidates can view <http://libguides.southalabama.edu/libraryjobs> for more information about the position or <http://www.cityofmobile.org> for information about the Mobile area.

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