

STEM Librarian
University of Kentucky

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Job Title	STEM Librarian
Department	88000:LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION
Institution	University of Kentucky Lexington, Kentucky
Date Posted	Dec. 5, 2024
Application Deadline	Open until filled
Position Start Date	Available immediately
Job Categories	Assistant Professor
Academic Field(s)	Library Sciences (all categories)
Job Website	https://ukjobs.uky.edu/postings/562485

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Job Description

The University of Kentucky Libraries is vital to fulfilling the goals of enhancing and expanding the university's research enterprise, and we are looking for a faculty librarian to serve as a STEM Librarian. Reporting to the Coordinator of Liaison Services, the STEM Librarian will engage with faculty, researchers, and students in assigned STEM academic and research programs to identify current and emerging user needs and to deliver responsive and innovative research and instructional services. All liaisons are responsible for meeting the following core competencies:

- **Outreach & Engagement:** Build connections to identify partners and facilitate community in assigned areas.
- **Research Services:** Expand knowledge of research methods to support users in navigating the research process.
- **Scholarly Communications:** Promote and advise on the process of creating, sharing, and evaluating academic research and knowledge.
- **Teaching & Learning:** Design and implement pedagogically appropriate instruction utilizing a

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variety of different instructional methods.

The position collaborates with a team of STEM library liaisons to provide library services to programs across the STEM disciplines, as well as library liaisons in other disciplines to identify user needs and provide support for interdisciplinary research and teaching. **Early career librarians as well as experienced librarians are encouraged to apply.** Applicants do not need to meet all preferred qualifications to be considered.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Serves as primary liaison to and actively develops professional relationships with faculty, researchers, and students in assigned STEM disciplines.
- Provides in-depth, specialized research consultations and group instruction for STEM students, faculty, and visiting scholars. Research services may include advanced literature review methodology, citation management software support, and other current needs.
- Plans and implements library instruction for STEM disciplines, which may include curricular support, course-based information literacy, and workshop development.
- Collaborates on active library-wide outreach program promoting library services and resources.
- Identifies current and emerging user needs to inform new or existing library programs, programming, services, and partnerships.
- Contributes to the advancement of University of Kentucky Libraries' programs for scholarly communication, open educational resources (OERs), open access (OA), data management and other library initiatives.
- Participates in committees, working groups, and shared leadership opportunities.
- Plans, prioritizes, and completes multiple projects across duties and responsibilities.

Required Qualifications:

- Master's degree from an ALA-accredited (or international equivalent) program or equivalent combination of a relevant advanced degree and experience, by time of appointment.
- Ability to meet the requirements of tenure-track position through research, publication, and/or professional engagement.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Ability to support STEM researchers and students in an academic library.
- Knowledge of or ability to learn instructional technologies and STEM information resources.

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- Ability to work in a collaborative environment to provide high-quality user experience and public service.
- Ability to plan and deliver instruction sessions in various formats.

As a member of the UKL faculty, this position participates in planning, shared governance, and UK Libraries-wide faculty activities. This is a full-time, 12-month, tenure eligible position in the Librarian Title Series (open rank) which requires scholarship, professional development, and service that contributes to the effectiveness of UK Libraries, the university, and the profession as outlined in Administrative Regulation 2:7 (<https://www.uky.edu/regs/ar2-7>). Your Distribution of Effort (DOE) range: Primary assignment: 70-80%, Service/Prof. development and scholarship 20-30% and is reviewed at minimum annually each year. Salary commensurate with experience and qualifications. The minimum salary for a Librarian IV is \$57,000 and for a Librarian III is \$62,500.

Position is a full-time, 12-month, tenure-track eligible position. All career levels are encouraged to apply. The University of Kentucky is committed to a one community, many people workforce by ensuring all our students, faculty, and staff work in an environment of openness and acceptance. We strive to foster a community where people of all backgrounds, identities, and perspectives can feel secure and welcome. We also value the well-being of each of our employees and are dedicated to creating a healthy place to work, learn and live. In the interest of maintaining a safe and healthy environment for our students, employees, patients and visitors the University of Kentucky is a Tobacco & Drug Free campus. Employees are offered a wide array of excellent benefit options, and more information is available at: <https://hr.uky.edu/insurance-and-retirement>. Library tenure-track faculty are also eligible to receive a generous relocation allowance, start-up funding for research, and annual professional development/travel funds.

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The University of Kentucky is a public, land grant university of approximately 32,000 students, 3,500 faculty, and 15,000 staff dedicated to improving people's lives through excellence in education, research and creative work, service, and health care. With over 200 academic programs across sixteen colleges and professional schools, the University plays a critical leadership role by promoting economic development, and human well-being. Located in the beautiful bluegrass region of central Kentucky, the University of Kentucky Libraries includes the main William T. Young Library, Medical Center Library, Special Collections Research Center, Fine Arts and Design Library, Education Library, Lexmark Library, and Science & Engineering Library. Combined library holdings total more than four million volumes. The system has a faculty of 55 and a support and professional staff of 85. UK Libraries currently uses the Ex Libris Alma and Primo systems. UK Libraries memberships include the Association of Research Libraries, LYRASIS, ASERL, and the Center for Research Libraries. UK is a regional depository for government publications.

To apply, interested applicants must complete a UK Online Academic Profile at <https://ukjobs.uky.edu/postings> and attach two documents:

- Curriculum vitae
- Cover letter

Please include contact information for three references when prompted in the application. We ask that one of the references be your current supervisor. Please note, the current supervisor will only be contacted if you are selected for a final round of interviews on campus.

If you have any questions, contact UKHR employment, phone (859) 257-9555, press 2.

Applications will be reviewed beginning **12/9/24** and continue until the position is filled which we look the position to start on or after 3/1/25.

Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

Contact



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