Research Data Curator - Library
University of California Berkeley

Job Title	Research Data Curator - Library
Department	UC Berkeley Library
Institution	University of California Berkeley
	Berkeley, California
Date Posted	Dec. 23, 2025
Application Deadline	01/31/2026
Position Start Date	Available immediately
Job Categories	Professional Staff
Academic Field(s)	Library Sciences (all categories)
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Job Description

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Position overview

Position title: Associate Librarian-Temporary
Salary range: The UC academic salary scales set the minimum pay determined by rank and salary point at appointment. See the following table(s) for the current salary scale(s) for this position: https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/_files/2025-26/represented-july-2025-scales/t26-b.pdf. A reasonable estimate for this position is $80,349-$104,877

Percent time:

50%

Anticipated start: As soon as Spring 2026. Start date is flexible.

Position duration: This is a 20-month, temporary part-time appointment.

Application Window
Open date: December 17, 2025

Next review date: Wednesday, Jan 28, 2026 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)
Apply by this date to ensure full consideration by the committee.

Final date: Saturday, Jan 31, 2026 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)
Applications will continue to be accepted until this date, but those received after the review date will only be considered if the position has not yet been filled.

Position description

The **Research Data Curator** manages research data publication workflows and provides guidance and support for curating data through describing, publishing, sharing, and archiving research datasets across disciplines and data formats. They will work in partnership with and under the guidance of the Data Services Librarian in the Library Data Services Program. This role will also work in collaboration with Berkeley IT and Research IT on a new initiative to support research faculty in managing a standardized allocation of research data storage. The Research Data Curator functions as an academic partner in research, instruction, scholarly communication, and data stewardship and is tasked with supporting scientific reproducibility, transparency and preservation by ensuring project deliverables including datasets and associated outputs (e.g., code/scripts, protocols) are aligned with FAIR and CARE, and open science principles. They are responsible for performing quality control, metadata checks, reviewing and augmenting documentation and assisting researchers in curating data and associated outputs for archiving in UC Berkeley Library's Dataverse and other UC Berkeley Library member repository data sharing platforms, including Dryad, ICPSR, and the Qualitative Data Repository.

The Research Data Curator will engage with the Research Data Management Program. This unique program bridges the UC Berkeley Library and Research IT to conduct outreach related to data management, storage, and sharing. UC Berkeley, through entities like the Library, the College of Computing, Data Science, and Society, the D-Lab, the Berkeley Institute for Data Science, and the Berkeley Initiative for Transparency in the Social Sciences, actively supports the development of

research and classroom environments that champion transparency and reproducibility. The successful incumbent will collaborate with these campus partners and librarians to support the research data storage program for UC Berkeley faculty and facilitate open research practices and workflows where possible.

UC Berkeley librarians are expected to participate in library-wide planning and governance and work effectively in a shared decision-making environment. Advancement is partially based upon professional contributions beyond the primary assignment; the successful candidate will show evidence or promise of such contributions to the Library, campus, UC System, and profession.

The UC Berkeley Library is committed to supporting and encouraging respect and empathy, and nurturing a culture where all employees thrive. The Library seeks candidates who recognize and appreciate one another's contributions, expertise, and accomplishments and will strive to provide equitable access to a diverse set of collections and services. For more information, please see the UC Berkeley Library Statement of Values.

UC professional librarians are academic appointees and are represented by an exclusive bargaining agent, the University Council - American Federation of Teachers (UC-AFT). This position is in the bargaining unit. Librarians are entitled to appropriate professional development leave, vacation leave, sick leave, and all other benefits granted to non-faculty academic personnel. The University has an excellent retirement system and sponsors a variety of group health, dental, vision, and life insurance plans in addition to other benefits. This is an externally funded appointment.

This position is eligible for fully remote work.

UC Berkeley Library Website: http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/

UC Berkeley Library Statement of Values: https://www.lib.berkeley.edu/about/statement-of-values

Qualifications
Basic qualifications (required at time of application)
Advanced degree or enrolled in an advanced degree program.

Additional qualifications (required at time of start)

- Advanced degree.
- Two years of experience and demonstrated success providing research data curation services

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Preferred qualifications

- Experience with Harvard Dataverse repository or similar research data publishing platforms
- Familiarity with data curation standards and workflows (for example Data - Curation Network curated steps) and licensing for software and research data.
- Demonstrated knowledge of issues and technical challenges related to data curation, including privacy and de-identification, provenance, file format migration, data access and discovery
- Demonstrated familiarity with relevant metadata standards for research data, as well as data management practices across different disciplines
- Ability to run code check for issues including: missing data, ambiguous headings, code execution failures, and data presentation concerns
- Demonstrated cultural fluency skills to engage and support researchers of varied and diverse backgrounds and cultures
- Experience with data stewardship practices and frameworks, such as CARE (Collective Benefit, Authority to Control, Responsibility, Ethics for Indigenous - Data Governance) and FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable) principles
- Demonstrated commitment to the Library's values.

Application Requirements

Document requirements

- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.
- Cover Letter

Reference requirements

- 3-5 required (contact information only)

Apply link: https://aprecruit.berkeley.edu/JPF05179

Help contact: richard.brown@berkeley.edu

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In searches when letters of reference are required all letters will be treated as confidential per University of California policy and California state law. Please refer potential referees, including when letters are provided via a third party (i.e., dossier service or career center), to the UC Berkeley statement of confidentiality prior to submitting their letter.

As a University employee, you will be required to comply with all applicable University policies and/or collective bargaining agreements, as may be amended from time to time. Federal, state, or local government directives may impose additional requirements.

Unless stated otherwise, unambiguously, in the position description, this position does not include sponsorship of a new consular H-1B visa petition that would require payment of the $100,000 supplemental fee.

As a condition of employment, the finalist will be required to disclose if they are subject to any **final** administrative or judicial decisions within the last seven years determining that they committed any misconduct.

- "Misconduct" means any violation of the policies or laws governing conduct at the applicant's previous place of employment, including, but not limited to, violations of policies or laws prohibiting sexual harassment, sexual assault, or other forms of harassment or discrimination, as defined by the employer.
- UC Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment Policy
- UC Anti-Discrimination Policy
- APM - 035: Affirmative Action and Nondiscrimination in Employment

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Contact Information

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