

San José State University
San Jose, California
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Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library

ACADEMIC LIAISON LIBRARIAN

Job Opening ID (JOID): 14209

The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library at San José State University is recognized as an innovative shared facility combining a large academic library (with a collection of over one million items) and a major down town public library. This facility uses a merged service model to support the life long learning needs of academic and public library users. The Library's strategic plan is to build a digital library which will "aggressively increase access, creation, and use of digital collections," and "will creatively utilize innovative technologies to provide the University and the broader community with a 21st century library environment, both physical and digital." The Library seeks energetic and creative librarians, with potential to make significant contributions to this library, the campus, and the profession.

Rank: This is a twelve-month, tenure-track faculty position at the rank of Senior Assistant Librarian.

Qualifications: Required

- MLS degree from an ALA accredited program or equivalent.
- Experience and/or coursework in collection development, reference service/research consultation and information literacy/instruction.
- Potential for scholarly research and/or professional achievement.
- Awareness of and sensitivity to the educational needs of a diverse population, as gained through cross-cultural study, training, teaching and other comparable experience, as applied to ensuring user-centered services, systems, and programs.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills and interpersonal skills.
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with public and academic librarians and staff, teaching faculty, and students in a team-based organization and a rapidly changing information environment.
- Demonstrated ability to plan, design, and implement innovative projects or services, including community outreach programs to the community.
- Experience and/or coursework in incorporating current and emerging technologies into informational and instructional services.

Qualifications: Preferred

- Experience and/or coursework in particularly, but not limited to Education, Business, and/or Social Sciences
- Successful experience working in a team environment and potential for assuming increasing leadership responsibilities.
- Experience and/or coursework employing various training and education approaches for advancing users' information retrieval, evaluation, management, and dissemination proficiencies.

- Familiarity with disciplinary electronic databases and major reference works.
- Familiarity with issues in scholarly communication
- Demonstrated ability to effectively organize work assignments, set priorities and make decisions.

Responsibilities:

The Liaison Librarian is responsible for collection development, information literacy, reference service (to both university and public users) and research consultation in assigned subject areas. The Liaison Librarian participates in the library’s information literacy competence program, enhancement of the library’s technology-enabled informational and instructional services and products, the campus learning spaces and learning management systems, and university governance.

The Liaison Librarian:

1. Serves as outreach liaison to faculty and students in assigned disciplines, remaining conversant with curricular and program changes.
2. Provides specialized reference and research consultation in assigned subject areas.
3. Delivers information literacy instruction in the classroom, in online environments, and through faculty partnerships.
4. Ensures curriculum-aligned collection development, including selection, evaluation, and budget oversight for assigned subject areas.
5. Co-creates technology-enabled, user-centered disciplinary approaches for an increasingly electronic learning environment.
6. Participates in functional teams, library governance, professional development activities, and university service.
7. Identifies the information needs and learning preferences of a diverse student population – including age, cultural background, ethnicity, primary language, and academic preparation.
8. Builds a record of progressive scholarly and professional achievement to fulfill the University requirement of retention, tenure, and promotion.

Salary Range: Commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Starting Date: Spring 2012

Eligibility: Employment is contingent upon proof of eligibility to work in the United States.

Application

Procedures: For full consideration, send a letter of application and curriculum vitae and 3 original letters of reference with contact information by **December 1, 2011** to library-jobs@sjsu.edu or by mail to:

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Please include Job Opening ID (JOID) on all correspondence.

Please note: At least 3 original letters of reference with contact information will be required prior to an onsite interview. Also original transcripts of terminal degree are required for appointment.

Ruth E. Kifer, Dean, University Library, invites you to contact us with your questions at (408) 808-2126 or via email at lib-jobs@sjsu.edu. Please visit our websites at <http://www.sjsu.edu> and <http://slibrary.org>. For information on faculty retention, tenure and promotion, see the SJSU Academic Senate policy S98-8 at <http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/s98-8.htm>.

San José State University is California's oldest institution of public higher learning. The campus is located on the southern end of San Francisco Bay in downtown San Jose (Pop. 945,942), hub of the world-famous Silicon Valley high-technology research and development center. Many of California's most popular national, recreational, and cultural attractions are conveniently close. A member of the 23-campus CSU system, San José State University enrolls approximately 29,000 students, a significant percentage of whom are members of minority groups. The University is committed to increasing the diversity of its faculty so our disciplines, students and the community can benefit from multiple ethnic and gender perspectives. Additionally, SJSU's long standing commitment to diversity includes outreach and welcome to people from the LGBT and disabled communities, and to individuals from across the United States and around the world.

San José State University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer committed to nondiscrimination on the bases of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender status, marital status, pregnancy, age, disability, or covered veteran status consistent with applicable federal and state laws. This policy applies to all San José State University students, faculty, and staff as well as University programs and activities. Reasonable accommodations are made for applicants with disabilities who self-disclose.

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