Research & Instruction Librarian and Assistant Professor, University of Mississippi in Oxford, MS

Position Details

Do you want to join an award-winning research and instruction team at the University of Mississippi Libraries? This is an ideal opportunity for a flexible, service-oriented team player who is dedicated to supporting teaching and research initiatives while fostering a diverse and inclusive environment at an R1 research institution. Qualified librarians are invited to apply for the Research & Instruction Librarian and Assistant Professor position at the University of Mississippi Libraries in Oxford, MS. This is a full-time, tenure-track, 12-month faculty position reporting to the Head of Research & Instruction Services. The successful candidate will:

- Serve as a liaison to the School of Journalism and the departments of Economics, Public Policy Leadership, and Political Science. Liaisons work with faculty and students to effectively use library resources and services to support their research, instruction, outreach, and collection needs;
- Collaborate with library personnel to support the teaching initiatives of both the library and the university by leading and assessing information literacy classes, workshops, and orientation activities for first-year students;
- Provide in-person and on-line reference and research consultation services and create LibGuides, tutorials, and exhibits as needed on the Oxford campus and regional campuses;
- Contribute to librarianship, research, and service at a level appropriate for a tenure-track faculty member of the university.

Required Qualifications

- Master’s degree in library science from an ALA accredited program
- Familiarity with current and emerging trends in librarianship, specifically information literacy instruction and collection resources designed to support assigned liaison areas
- Demonstrated ability to professionally engage with a diverse community
- Committed to pursuing professional development, research, and service at a level appropriate for promotion and tenure at the university
- Excellent oral and written communication skills

Salary: Minimum $48,000/year and includes the university’s competitive benefits package

Application Procedures

Qualified applicants should apply online at [Careers.olemiss.edu](https://careers.olemiss.edu) supplying the following documents: a cover letter highlighting the applicant’s strengths, a curriculum vitae, and contact information for three professional references. Questions about the position should be directed to the Head of Research & Instruction Services, Melissa Dennis, at mdennis@olemiss.edu. A review of applications will begin July 1, 2019, and will continue until the position is filled or an adequate applicant pool is established. Offers of employment are contingent upon the successful completion of a criminal background check and verification of credentials.
About the University and Oxford

Founded in 1848, the University of Mississippi (UM), affectionately known to alumni, students and friends as Ole Miss, is Mississippi's flagship university. Included in the elite group of R-1: Doctoral Universities - Highest Research Activity by the Carnegie Classification, the institution has a long history of producing leaders in public service, academics, and innovative research. The University is consistently listed as one of the best places to work by The Chronicle of Higher Education, and has been named one of Mississippi’s Healthiest Workplaces. With more than 24,000 students, UM is the state's largest university and is ranked among the nation's fastest-growing institutions.

The University of MS is located in Oxford, which is ranked one of the “Top 10 Best College Towns.” Touted as the “Cultural Mecca of the South,” creativity abounds in Oxford as musicians, artists, and writers alike find inspiration in Oxford’s rich history, small town charm, and creative community. Oxford is a one-hour drive south of Memphis, TN and is known as the home of Nobel Prize winning author William Faulkner. Oxford has been featured as a literary and arts destination in The New York Times, Southern Living, Condé Nast Traveler, and GQ. Oxford is a vibrant university town, filled with unique shops and galleries, eclectic restaurants and clubs, historic landmarks, and comfortable inns.

Background Check Statement

The University of Mississippi is committed to providing a safe campus community. UM conducts background investigations for applicants being considered for employment. Background investigations include a criminal history record check, and when appropriate, a financial (credit) report or driving history check.

EEO Statement

The University of Mississippi complies with all applicable laws regarding equal opportunity and affirmative action and does not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment on the basis of race, color, gender, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, religion, national origin, age, disability, veteran status or genetic information.