Simon Fraser University Library invites applications for a Liaison Librarian for History, International Studies, Liberal Studies and Political Science. This full-time, continuing position is based at Belzberg Library, Vancouver campus, and supports departments and programs at all three SFU campuses.

Reporting to the Head, Belzberg Library, the incumbent will be responsible for providing library liaison services to SFU academic programs and participating in projects related to library services.

SETTING

We acknowledge the Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), səlílwəτəɬ (Tsleil-Waututh), Ɂįčəy (Katzie), and kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem) peoples, on whose traditional territories Simon Fraser University’s three campuses stand. By recognizing the Unceded Traditional Coast Salish territories, we aspire to create space for reconciliation through dialogue and decolonizing practices.

One of Canada’s top three comprehensive universities for the past 20 years, Simon Fraser University has also been consistently named one of British Columbia’s Top Employers in recent years, as well as one of Canada’s Top 100 employers, and one of Canada’s top family-friendly employers. SFU offers more than 100 undergraduate major and joint major programs and more than 45 graduate offerings, spanning many disciplines in eight faculties, and has an international reputation for its innovative interdisciplinary and professional programs. The main WAC Bennett Library is located on the Burnaby campus and Fraser Library is at SFU Surrey. The Samuel and Frances Belzberg Library is the downtown Vancouver branch of SFU Library supporting teaching, research, lifelong learning and community engagement at the SFU Vancouver campus.

The SFU Library is known for the development and implementation of innovative technology, leadership in Open Access, and excellent in-person and online user services. We serve an ethnically diverse student population, most of whom live off-campus and work part-time while attending university. SFU Library collaborates broadly with other institutions through membership in the Canadian Association of Research Libraries, the Association of Research Libraries, and regional consortia. For more information, see our web site at http://www.lib.sfu.ca/.

The SFU Library commits to a continuous process of transformation to advance equity, diversity, and inclusion and to serve the cause of social justice. The Library’s Statement on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion provides more information.
ASSIGNMENT

- Act as liaison between the SFU Library and the faculty, staff and students in the Department of History, the School for International Studies, the Graduate Liberal Studies Program, and the Department of Political Science by:
  - Promoting library services and collections and reporting the discipline’s requirements to the appropriate area of the library.
  - Collaborating with Collections Management to develop, assess, and manage information resources in all formats to address the teaching and research needs of the liaison areas. This includes maintaining the collection policy; maintaining profiles for approval plans; reviewing subscriptions; selecting and de-accessioning material; budget oversight; other collection activities.
  - Communicating with faculty and students about emerging areas such as scholarly communication, publishing and data management and promoting relevant library programming.
  - Providing instruction and assistance to students and faculty in the use of information sources through instructional seminars, guides, and individual consultations.
- Provide in-person and online reference service in all disciplines as a member of a team serving students, faculty and community users in an active research environment.
- Work with other library staff on project teams and committees.
- Develop professional knowledge, skills, and disciplinary expertise on a continuing basis.
- Participate in professional organizations.
- Advance the values and goals outlined in the Library’s Strategic Plan.
- Other duties as assigned.
- Note that while the current assignment is for History, International Studies, Liberal Studies and Political Science, areas may be reassigned as needed.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Master’s degree in Library or Information Studies from an ALA accredited program, or its equivalent.
- Broad knowledge of information resources for humanities and/or social science disciplines.
- Demonstrated ability to assist students and faculty from a variety of disciplines in a busy research environment.
- Collections experience in one or more humanities or social science disciplines.
- Demonstrated ability to master information sources and technologies thoroughly and quickly.
- Demonstrated skill in planning and delivering instruction.
- Experience in liaison librarianship or related professional activities.
- Experience developing and promoting user-centred services aligned with academic priorities.
- Demonstrated understanding of current issues and trends in academic libraries.
- Demonstrated commitment to continued professional development.
- Demonstrated ability to learn, adapt and work effectively in a collegial team environment.
- Demonstrated commitment to the values outlined in the Library’s Strategic Plan: openness, diversity, and creativity.
- Ability to recognize, respect and work effectively with individuals and groups with diverse perspectives and backgrounds.
- Excellent interpersonal and intercultural communication skills, both orally and written.
TERMS OF APPOINTMENT

This is a full time continuing Librarian position beginning July 2, 2019, or as soon as the successful candidate is available.

Librarians and Division Heads are members of the SFU Faculty Association. Terms, conditions and benefits of employment are outlined in the Collective Agreement:
http://www.sfu.ca/content/dam/sfu/faculty-relations/home/CA.pdf

The successful applicant will be appointed at a salary level commensurate with their experience and qualifications. SFU Librarian salary scales can be viewed here
http://www.sfu.ca/content/dam/sfu/faculty-relations/collective-agreement/July%201%202018%20Scale%20Sep%207%202018.pdf

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Simon Fraser University is committed to employment equity and encourages applications from qualified candidates of all genders, visible minorities, persons of First Nations, Inuit, or Métis heritage, persons with disabilities, and LGBTQ2SIA+ identified persons.

Under the authority of the University Act, personal information that is required by the University for academic appointment competitions will be collected. For further details see:
http://www.sfu.ca/vpacademic/faculty_openings/Collection_Notice.html

TO APPLY

To be given assured consideration applications must be submitted by email in one consolidated PDF document with cover letter and curriculum vitae by 4 pm PDT on Tuesday, April 24, 2019 to:

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