SFU LIBRARY

LIBRARIAN FOR INTERACTIVE ARTS & TECHNOLOGY AND PUBLISHING

(LIMITED TERM)

Simon Fraser University Library invites applications for a Librarian for Interactive Arts & Technology and Publishing. Reporting to the Head, Fraser Library, this 80%, term position will be based at Fraser Library, Surrey campus and will support the School of Interactive Arts & Technology (SIAT) at the Surrey campus and the Publishing program at the Vancouver campus.

The incumbent will act as a liaison between SFU Library and the faculty, staff and students in SIAT and Publishing, providing research, instruction, and collections support. The Librarian for Interactive Arts & Technology and Publishing will promote library services and advocate for resources and services relevant to the departments. This position will be attractive to an individual with excellent communication and collaborative skills and who has a strong commitment to learner and user-centered approaches.

SETTING

We acknowledge the Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), x̉wməθkwəy̓əm (Musqueam), səl̓ílwətaʔɬ (Tsleil-Waututh), qíčəy (Katzie), and k̓ʷîl̓ič̓əłam (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.

Ranked by respected national surveys as 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 75 graduate offerings, spanning many disciplines in eight faculties, and has an international reputation for its innovative interdisciplinary and professional programs. The main W.A.C. Bennett Library is located on the Burnaby campus, while the Samuel and Frances Belzberg Library is on the Vancouver campus, and Fraser Library is at SFU Surrey.

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 https://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

- Advance the values and goals outlined in the Library’s Strategic Plan;
- Advance SFU’s Academic Plan through library services and programming;
- Incorporate SFU Library’s commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion into all planning and activities;
- Act as liaison between the SFU Library and the faculty, staff, and students in SIAT and Publishing at the Surrey and Vancouver campuses:
  - Provide subject-specific research services for faculty and students, including strategic curriculum-integrated instruction and research consultations;
  - Engage in strategic collection development and assessment on an ongoing basis;
  - Proactively promote, plan, and advocate for resources and services relevant to the departments;
- Collegially contribute to the library, the university, and the profession;
- Develop professional knowledge, skills, and disciplinary expertise on a continuing basis;
- Other librarian duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS

Required:

- Master's degree in Library or Information Studies from an ALA accredited program, or its equivalent;
- Familiarity with trends in academic publishing and knowledge of collections practices;
- Experience with learner-centred approaches to instruction and pedagogical assessment;
- Understanding of how information is located, critically evaluated, and assimilated for the creation of new knowledge and the ability to apply this in the provision of research and learning support;
- Strong evidence of proactive approaches to relationship building;
- Ability to work in a complex environment by establishing priorities and maintaining a balance between short and long-term goals;
- Experience with managing and prioritizing projects with multiple stakeholders;
- Demonstrated ability to assist students and faculty from a variety of disciplines in a busy research environment;
- 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.

Desired:

- Degree in a related discipline;
- Reference and collections experience within a related discipline.

TERMS OF APPOINTMENT

This is a part time (.8 FTE) Librarian position, with an anticipated start date in early February 2022 and end date of August 11, 2023.
Librarians and Division Heads are members of the SFU Faculty Association. Terms, conditions and benefits of employment are outlined in the Collective Agreement:

https://www.sfu.ca/faculty-relations/collectiveagreement.html

The successful applicant will be appointed at a salary level commensurate with their experience and qualifications. Current salary scales are available from:

https://www.sfu.ca/faculty-relations/salary.html

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 persons who identify as LGBTQ2SIA+.

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

Information about what to expect when you apply for a librarian position at SFU is available here:

https://www.lib.sfu.ca/about/overview/employment/what-expect-librarian-position

TO APPLY

Please note that interviews are planned for January 2022.

To be given assured consideration applications must be submitted by email in one consolidated PDF document with cover letter and curriculum vitae by 9 a.m. PST on 4 January 2022 to:

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