The British Columbia Electronic Library Network (BC ELN) invites applications for a continuing Librarian position.

Reporting to the BC ELN Executive Director, the Librarian works as part of a team responsible for planning, developing, and implementing innovative projects in support of BC ELN and its service areas. The Librarian’s primary responsibility is to support BC ELN’s service areas, operations, and projects, such as BC ELN’s provincial chat reference, interlibrary loan, and digital repository services.

The Librarian is a highly motivated, resourceful individual, with a demonstrated ability to support core library services, work in a team environment, use and adapt to new technologies, and foster collaboration among diverse organizations and stakeholders.

SETTING

We acknowledge the Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumíxw (Squamish), xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), səl̓ílwətaʔɬ (Tsleil-Waututh), qíčəy (Katzie), and kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem) peoples, on whose traditional territories BC Electronic Library Network (BC ELN) offices stand. By recognizing the Unceded Traditional Coast Salish territories, we aspire to create space for reconciliation through dialogue and decolonizing practices.

BC ELN is hosted at Simon Fraser University (SFU). Ranked by respected national surveys as one of Canada’s top three comprehensive universities for the past 20 years, SFU 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. BC ELN offices are located at the SFU Burnaby Mountain campus. For more information, visit: https://www.sfu.ca/

BC ELN, through its affiliation with SFU and the SFU Library, commits to a continuous process of transformation to advance equity, diversity, and inclusion and to serve the cause of social justice. For more information, visit the Library’s Statement on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion: https://www.lib.sfu.ca/about/overview/policies/edi

About BC ELN

BC ELN is a partnership between the Province of British Columbia and its post-secondary libraries. It develops, promotes, and maintains system-wide mechanisms that provide equitable, cost-effective access to information resources and learning support services, helping post-secondary libraries meet the expanding information needs of the
province's learners, educators, and researchers, regardless of their location in the province. BC ELN core services include:

- negotiating and managing electronic resource licenses on behalf of partner libraries;
- facilitating resource sharing among partner libraries through the Illume service;
- coordinating virtual learning support services AskAway and WriteAway; and
- enhancing access to digitized primary content through the Arca collaborative digital repository.

For more information, visit: https://bceln.ca/.

The BC ELN office also serves as the Administrative Centre for the Electronic Health Library of BC (eHLbc). eHLbc provides the academic and health care community of BC with easy access to online health library resources that support and improve practice, education, and research.

For more information visit: https://ehlbc.ca/

ASSIGNMENT

Working closely with the Executive Director and consortium team, the Librarian will:

- Support BC ELN service areas as needed, including:
  - Illume provincial interlibrary loan service.
  - Arca provincial digital repository service.
  - AskAway provincial chat reference service.
- Under the direction of service coordinators, develop communications targeting users, resource teams, committees, vendors, and stakeholders, including the creation and administration of online surveys/questionnaires, and short, online training videos for various BC ELN services.
- Assist with member engagement such as events, communities of practice, orientation/training, etc.
- Provide frontline support and technical troubleshooting to partner library staff.
- Support the ongoing content updates on the BC ELN and eHLbc Drupal websites.
- Serve on internal BC ELN committees and working groups.
- Advance the values and goals outlined in the BC ELN Strategic Plan: https://bceln.ca/about/strategic-plan.
QUALIFICATIONS

Required:

- Master’s degree in Library or Information Studies from an ALA accredited program, or its equivalent.
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and collaboratively in a collegial team environment.
- Ability to recognize, respect and work effectively with individuals and groups with diverse perspectives and backgrounds.
- Excellent interpersonal and intercultural communication skills, both oral and written.
- Strong attention to detail.
- Strong assessment, analytical, and problem-solving skills.
- Strong time management and organizational skills.
- Demonstrated commitment to customer service.
- Solid technology skills, with a proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite (particularly Excel) and web content management systems, such as Drupal.

Desired:

- Demonstrated ability to adapt to changing environments, meet deadlines, and work well under pressure with discretion, tact, and good judgement.
- Experience working in or with BC post-secondary libraries and public libraries.
- Capable of fostering relationships and supporting partnerships between diverse groups.
- Understanding of conflict dynamics and collaboration strategies.
- Experience with writing documentation.
- Strong project management skills.
- Familiarity with content development tools, including graphic design tools (e.g. InDesign), marketing communications (e.g. Constant Contact), and video editing (e.g. Adobe Premier)
- Experience delivering training or instruction.
- Knowledge and understanding of current and emerging library and information systems, educational tools, and databases.

TERMS OF APPOINTMENT

This is a full-time continuing Librarian position, available immediately. The position is hybrid, primarily working out of the BC ELN offices at SFU Burnaby Campus.

BC ELN employees are appointed under appropriate SFU employee agreements.
Librarians 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

We anticipate appointment at the Librarian 1 level (less than 2 years’ experience). SFU Librarian salary scales can be viewed here: https://www.sfu.ca/faculty-relations/salary.html

In accordance with B.C.’s Pay Transparency Act, the expected base salary range for this role (exclusive of pension and benefits) is $85,619 to $91,979 CAD per year.

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, racialized persons, persons of First Nations, Inuit, or Métis heritage, persons with disabilities, and persons who identify as LGBTQ2SIA+.

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

To be given assured consideration applications must be submitted by email in one consolidated PDF document with cover letter and curriculum vitae by 5:00 pm PST on Monday, June 17th, 2024 to: office@bceln.ca.

For questions, please contact:

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