



University of Saskatchewan Library Humanities Liaison Librarian

The University of Saskatchewan Library is seeking a dynamic and innovative humanities liaison librarian to join the Research Services Division team in the Main Library. The Main Library at the University of Saskatchewan supports the agriculture, fine arts, commerce, humanities, and social science disciplines. The incumbent will work closely with the programs for *Anthropology, French, German, Linguistics, and Religious Studies*, and will be the Library's liaison to the Global Commons.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- *Liaison.* Liaise with faculty, and graduate and undergraduate students in the assigned subjects to identify needs and market library resources and services.
- *Collections.* Manage the collections in the assigned subjects, including selection, de-selection, assessment, and maintenance.
- *Reference Services.* Provide traditional and electronic reference services, some of which may be evening and weekend hours. Provide information and research support services to faculty and graduate and undergraduate students in the assigned subjects.
- *Library Instruction.* Teach information research skills to undergraduate and graduate students, and faculty. Collaborate with faculty to integrate information literacy/research skills into the curriculum. Develop and maintain web pages related to instruction.
- *Assessment.* The Library is committed to the development of a culture of assessment. Librarians are expected to participate in the Library's assessment activities and to incorporate assessment into their professional practice.
- *Research and Scholarly Work.* An active program of research and scholarly work is required of all librarians at the University of Saskatchewan.

Relationships within the Library: The Humanities Liaison Librarian reports to the Head of the Research Services Division. He or she will also work collaboratively with the Collections Coordinator, the Library Instruction Coordinator, and the Reference Coordinator.

Required Qualifications: MLS or equivalent degree recognized by the University of Saskatchewan Library and a degree in Anthropology, French, German, Linguistics, or Religious Studies. Reading knowledge of French and German is required. Knowledge of academic library collection theory and practice and knowledge of Information Literacy best practices is also required. Teaching experience and knowledge of humanities computing is desirable. The successful candidate must be able to work collaboratively and possess excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Experience working with international students, including knowledge of ESL programs is desirable.

Structure of the Position:

This is a tenure track appointment in the University of Saskatchewan Library, subject to a probationary period of three to six years.

Salary and Rank:

Librarians are members of the University of Saskatchewan Faculty Association and terms and conditions of work are determined by the Collective Agreement between the Association and the University. The position is available immediately and will be filled at the rank of Librarian I or II. The current salary range is \$41,807 to \$67,022, and is under review. Actual salary and rank will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

About the Library:

The University of Saskatchewan Library (<http://library.usask.ca>), one of Canada's leading research libraries, is a member of ARL, CARL, and COPPUL. The Library participates in national and provincial consortia, including CRKN, Consortia Canada, and the Saskatchewan Multitype Database Licensing Program.

Consisting of a main library and six branches, the Library has a staff of 156, including 41 librarians, and an acquisitions budget of \$7.5 million. The collection consists of approximately 2 million printed volumes, 3.3 million items in microform and approximately 500,000 government documents and pamphlets. The Library currently provides access to nearly 300 electronic databases and over 28,000 serial titles, including 18,000 in electronic format plus 10,000 serials in print and microform.

The U of S Library has a number of digital initiatives, in operation and under development, including an Indigenous Studies Portal that will provide access to a wide range of library and archival resources related to Aboriginal issues. The Library is committed to creating a culture of assessment that will further develop services and improve quality. It embraces the development of innovative services in collaboration with other campus partners, as demonstrated by the current plans for the creation of a teaching and learning centre within the Main Library. In a joint project with the College of Graduate Studies, the Library offers access to electronic theses and dissertations. The Library is collaborating with faculty to incorporate links to course-specific library resources within online course pages on the campus portal. In partnership with the Information Technology Services Division, Learning Commons facilities have been established within most libraries.

About the University of Saskatchewan:

Founded in 1907, the University of Saskatchewan (<http://www.usask.ca>) has established an impressive history of academic excellence and is the leading research institution and largest university in the province. The academic community is comprised of more than 15,000 full-time and 4,000 part-time students (both graduate and undergraduate), 1,000 faculty, and 3,650 full-time staff. The University of Saskatchewan is a medical-doctoral institution offering 58 degrees, diplomas, and certificates in over one hundred areas and disciplines. The 14 colleges, including one virtual college, provide an impressive array of discipline-based, inter-disciplinary, and professional programs. The institution is publicly funded with annual consolidated revenues of \$566 million, including \$268 million operating and \$107 million research. The University is home to the Canadian Light Source synchrotron, one of the largest science projects in Canada.

About the City of Saskatoon:

Saskatoon (<http://www.tourismsaskatoon.com>) is centrally located in the province of Saskatchewan and is Saskatchewan's largest city with a population of 206,000 and growing. Saskatoon is situated on the banks of the South Saskatchewan River, which is crossed by seven bridges within the city limits and includes over 120 hectares of riverbank parklands. Saskatoon is one of the sunniest cities in Canada, receiving an average of 2,381 hours annually. Several events and activities are celebrated annually, including Folkfest, the Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, the International Fringe Festival, the Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan Festival and the Saskatoon Exhibition. The Saskatoon Symphony and several live theatre groups entertain many year-round.

To Apply:

Applicants should send a complete resume and the names of three referees by March 27, 2006 to: **Dr. Vicki Williamson, Dean, University of Saskatchewan Library, Room 156 Main Library/Murray Building, 3 Campus Drive, Saskatoon SK S7N 5A4 Fax: 306-966-5932 E-mail: library.jobs@usask.ca**

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. The University is committed to Employment Equity. Members of Designated Groups (women, aboriginal people, people with disabilities and visible minorities) are encouraged to self-identify on their applications.