



Research & Instruction Librarian Dalhousie University Libraries

Possessing energy, vision and a strong service ethic, the Research & Instruction Librarian will support research, teaching, and learning at the Dalhousie Agricultural Campus (Truro) and the greater Dalhousie community by providing guidance for faculty, students and staff in matters relating to the dissemination and use of knowledge. She/he will provide local support for research data management in collaboration with the members of the Research & Scholarly Communications team. This is a career stream position and part of the MacRae Library librarian complement and serves on Library Council. The position reports primarily to the Associate University Librarian, Access Services and Head, MacRae Library.

Summary of Functions:

The Research & Instruction Librarian works closely with faculty, researchers and students on the Agricultural Campus (Truro) to support their studies and research. She/he also works closely with the Associate University Librarian Research & Scholarly Communication to support research data management for the Faculty of Agriculture. She/he is available for individual consultations and to offer workshops and presentations and also serves as a resource on national policy and best practice in order to help the Dal community to remain informed and involved with the changing landscape for research data management planning, preservation, discovery and reuse.

Main Activities:

1. Develops collaborative relationships with faculty to support their teaching and research.
2. Provides reference and information services to the Faculty of Agriculture, including research consultations to students, faculty and researchers.
3. Develops and delivers information research instruction using traditional classroom and active learning methods as well as innovative educational technologies.
4. Develops collections and information resources in specific subject areas relevant to the Faculty of Agriculture.
5. Monitors developments and, in collaboration with the Research & Scholarly Communication team, creates opportunities to inform the Agricultural Campus community of changes in data stewardship, Tri-Agency-related requirements and related Dal Libraries services and other research related activities.
6. Contributes to librarianship by carrying out professional research and/or scholarly work.

Qualifications

- Graduate degree from an ALA accredited library school.
- Education or work experience in the sciences is preferred. Studies in Agricultural Sciences would be considered an asset.
- 2 years relevant experience in an academic, special or research library.
- Demonstrated knowledge of and experience with library resources and technologies, including instruction and reference work;
- Flexibility and the ability to work both independently and collaboratively in a rapidly changing environment.
- Initiative and strong leadership skills, with willingness to share expertise, work in teams and negotiate solutions with diverse groups.
- Familiarity with trends in practices and technologies for academic library services.
- Aptitude for service oriented work, and ability to work with the public and colleagues in a tactful and professional manner.
- Proven ability to manage projects, and to handle multiple priorities and tasks.
- Interest in and capacity for conducting research. Established research portfolio is an asset.
- Strong analytical and creative problem-solving skills.
- Demonstrated excellent oral and written communication skills. Oral and written fluency in English is required.

Salary and Benefits:

Rank and salary are dependent upon qualifications and experience, and subject to the terms of the Dalhousie Faculty Association Collective Agreement. The position will not be filled at a rank higher than Librarian I/II.

Availability of the Position:

The position has a proposed starting date of July 1, 2015.

Deadline for applications: 2 June 2015, 4:00 p.m. ADT

Please provide a letter of interest (addressed to Donna Bourne-Tyson, University Librarian), curriculum vitae, and the names of three references, in care of:

Janice Slauenwhite, Administrative Officer
Dalhousie Libraries Administration Office, Killam Library
6225 University Avenue
Halifax, NS B3H 4H8

Electronic submissions (Word or pdf) are strongly encouraged and can be sent to: janice.slauenwhite@dal.ca

Dalhousie University is an Employment Equity/Affirmative Action employer. The University encourages applications from qualified Aboriginal people, persons with a disability, racially visible persons and women.