Digital Scholarship Librarian
(Full-time May 2019 – Aug 2021)

Simon Fraser University Library invites applications for a Digital Scholarship Librarian. Reporting to the Head of the Research Commons and based in the W.A.C. Bennett Library, Burnaby campus, this full time contract position will support SFU faculty, graduate students, and other researchers across the three SFU campuses and beyond.

The incumbent will have the skills necessary to advance digital scholarship initiatives at Simon Fraser University by providing support for those engaged in technology-rich scholarly projects. The primary focus for the Digital Scholarship Librarian is to oversee the operational aspects of SFU's Digital Humanities Innovation Lab (DHIL) in collaboration with its faculty Co-Directors. The DHIL assists with the development of digital scholarship research by providing consultation, training, mentoring, research software development, and technical support to faculty and graduate students.
The Digital Scholarship Librarian provides leadership for the DHIL Digital Fellows and Developers. In conjunction with Liaison Librarians, Library Systems and others, the incumbent will identify and facilitate the deployment of appropriate tools and technologies to meet the research, teaching, and publishing needs of researchers.

As a member of the Research Commons, the incumbent will participate in the planning, implementation, and promotion of SFU Library's scholarly communications services and increase campus awareness of author rights, Open Access (OA), SFU's OA Policy, and other funding mandates.

This position will be attractive to adaptable and collaborative individuals with excellent communication and project management skills. It will also appeal to those who have an understanding of emerging interdisciplinary research methodologies in the humanities and social sciences and those who are highly motivated to provide innovative and responsive services to faculty and students.

SETTING

We acknowledge the Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), səl̓ílwətaʔɬ (Tsleil-Waututh), q̓íc̓əy̓(Katzie), and kʷikʷəƛ̓ə̓ m (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 45 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 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

- Advance the values and goals outlined in the Library's Strategic Plan;
- Foster collaboration on the creation and curation of digital objects for research;
- Collaborate with internal Library divisions and with external campus stakeholders in the access and preservation of digital assets;
- Work closely with Library Systems to scope, develop, and support digital projects;
- Partner with faculty and librarians to incorporate analytical tools, digitized, and born-digital resources into research and teaching activities;
- In coordination with the Faculty Co-Directors, plan, coordinate, deliver, and promote sustainable services offered by the DHIL;
- Provide project management expertise for DHIL and Library sponsored digital projects;
- Recruit, lead, and mentor DHIL Digital Fellows and developers;
- Coordinate Library participation in grant applications that involve digital humanities;
- As a member of a team, support the development of Liaison Librarians' knowledge and understanding of scholarly communication issues;
- Participate in planning, implementing, and promoting scholarly communications services including increasing campus awareness of Open Access publishing with faculty, graduate students and applicable campus units;
- Develop and deliver or coordinate delivery of online and in-person instruction sessions for both students and faculty;
- Participate on Library project teams and committees;
- Develop professional knowledge and skills on a continuing basis;
- Other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS

- MLIS from an ALA-accredited institution;
- 5 or more years of experience working in academic libraries, or a combination of work in academic libraries and related professional experience;
- Demonstrated ability to provide research support and consultation in the humanities and social sciences;
- Demonstrated ability to effectively manage and coordinate projects;
- Experience recruiting, training, and supervising students and staff;
- Demonstrated skills in leadership and community-building;

- Understanding of the research process and the ways in which new technologies are affecting the production, dissemination, and reception of scholarship in the humanities and social sciences;
- Ability to facilitate communication between developers and stakeholders on project technical requirements;
- Experience with digital humanities tools and approaches such as text mining, data analysis and visualization, mapping, digital exhibits, and database development;
- Understanding of the research funding landscape in the digital humanities;
- Understanding of scholarly communication and publishing issues and trends;
- Commitment to engage in research and continued professional development;
- A demonstrated commitment to and success in consultative and joint coordination and teamwork, as well as the ability to achieve consensus among differing viewpoints;
- 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 Librarian position, beginning May 2019. 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

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 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 9:00 am (PST) 15 April 2019 to

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