Trinity University Coates Library

Instruction/Liaison Librarian for the Sciences

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Trinity University seeks a dynamic, forward-thinking individual for its information literacy and liaison librarian program. The successful candidate will join a team of energetic, creative librarians who value the teaching mission of the library, enjoy frequent interaction with bright students and faculty in the library and the classroom, and who also participate in professional and scholarly activities as faculty members. This position will provide liaison support for the sciences.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

The Instruction/Liaison Librarian for the Sciences is one member in a team charged with facilitating and encouraging information literacy learning at Trinity University. Primary responsibilities include teaching information literacy skills and concepts in assigned liaison areas, working with teaching faculty in those areas to develop department- and course-specific objectives, and providing customized reference service/appointments. Instruction/liaison librarians coordinate collection development activities related to their departmental and subject assignments, stay abreast of best practices in librarianship and instruction, and collaborate with colleagues to support library programming. This position is also responsible for leading the library's data management service effort.

Outreach to faculty and students is central to this position. In supporting information literacy learning in the sciences, the successful candidate will have an opportunity to work with a host of talented and respected scholar-educators, housed in Trinity's state-of-the-art Center for the Sciences and Innovation. Students are actively engaged with faculty members in undergraduate research experiences outside of regular class and lab work, creating a variety of opportunities for the science librarian to enhance student learning.

This is a twelve-month tenure-track position with faculty rank. Trinity librarians are actively involved in university governance and service and as faculty members, may teach full-semester courses or act as academic advisors for incoming students. The candidate selected for this position will be expected to meet standards of librarianship, scholarship, and service for promotion and tenure.

Currently celebrating its 150th anniversary, Trinity University is a nationally recognized liberal arts and sciences institution characterized by a demanding curriculum, distinguished faculty, and exceptionally bright students. The university looks forward with the *Trinity Tomorrow* strategic plan, its recently revised "Pathways" curriculum, and the *Starting Strong* Quality Enhancement Plan to bolster support for incoming students. Trinity is located in one of the nation's fastest growing cities. Combining a multicultural heritage, numerous cultural and historical attractions, and a rapidly emerging technology sector, San

Antonio is a friendly, affordable, and engaging city in which to live and work. Additional information can be found at https://new.trinity.edu/.

REQUIREMENTS:

Required: ALA-accredited MLS. Background or evidence of strong interest in the physical or life sciences. Strong communication and interpersonal skills, a high energy level, and self-confidence are musts, as is the ability to work effectively and with initiative, both as a team member and as an individual. Interest in tenure-track faculty responsibilities related to librarianship, scholarship, and service in a liberal arts and sciences setting. Commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion as a teacher, librarian, and faculty colleague.

Preferred: Experience in teaching or instruction in an academic setting. Experience in one-on-one assistance and conducting outreach for individuals/groups. Knowledge of resources, emerging topics, and new developments in science librarianship. Knowledge of innovative strategies (pedagogical, technological, etc.) to enhance student learning.

BENEFITS:

Trinity-paid TIAA/CREF when qualified, comprehensive insurance options, twenty days of annual vacation, and professional development support. Additional information, such as tuition remission options and the university's Parental Leave Policy, is available at https://inside.trinity.edu/human-resources.

TO APPLY:

Submit a detailed resume, application letter addressing experience and interest, and the names, phone numbers, email and postal addresses of three references to: Chris Nolan, University Librarian, Trinity University Library, One Trinity Place, San Antonio, TX, 78212-7200. (Email is preferred; send applications to mpylant@trinity.edu.) Review of applications is anticipated to begin May 6, 2019 and will continue until the position is filled. Trinity University is an equal opportunity employer and as such provides equal opportunity for employment and advancement of all employees without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, military/veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or any status protected by federal, state, or local laws.