Data Services and Collections Librarian

University of California, San Diego,
San Diego, California

Salary: Not Specified
Status: Full-time
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About the Position

The Data Services and Collections Librarian is the leader within the UC San Diego Library for managing and providing data and statistical services, with a focus on social science data. The position reports primarily to the Director of the Library’s Reference & Research Advisory Services Program with additional assigned responsibilities in the Library’s Collection Development & Management and Research Data Curation programs.

Responsibilities of the Position

- Provides leadership for the management and implementation of data and statistical services and collections.
- Serves as the specialist for dataset and statistical analysis for research assistance, assisting in person as well as virtual users and providing in-depth research consultations by appointment.
- Conducts data and statistics reference training (new and ongoing) for other reference providers and facilitates library communications about data and statistics resources.
- Selects and manages datasets, statistical materials in all applicable formats, and statistical software to meet curricular and research needs of the campus.
- Participates in and provides feedback for data-related local and/or UC-wide collection management activities and projects, including assessment of holdings, de-accessioning and relocating materials as needed.
- Engages with campus communities, providing a combination of targeted or specialized services, including instruction, for dataset and statistical software users.
- Provides general reference and research services both in person and virtually.
- Works with the Research Data Curation Program to develop data curation and repository services for social science collections.
- Engages with campus partners to make digital scholarly work and data openly discoverable and accessible for the long term.
- Partners with curation and subject librarians for data curation outreach to campus.
- Serves as the Library’s liaison to ICPSR and DDI initiatives and represents the UC San Diego Library at pertinent meetings and conferences.

Required Qualifications

- Professional degree from a library school or other appropriate degree or equivalent experience in one or more fields relevant to library services.
- Experience providing numeric data services support in an academic setting.
- Ability to download and transform data files to meet the various needs of users.
- Proficient with social sciences statistical packages and software, such as SPSS, STATA, SAS, R.
• Ability to develop effective relationships between the library and campus IT departments to further dataset management projects.
• Experience providing reference service in an academic or research library serving similar clientele.
• Superior organizational, analytical, and communication skills.
• Candidate must have a strong commitment to excellence in service and be able to work both independently and collaboratively.
• Demonstrated strong commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion in higher education.

Desired Qualifications

• Undergraduate and/or graduate degree in the social sciences.
• Experience with GIS data and applications.
• Experience in collection development activities in an academic library.
• Experience with data curation in an academic environment.
• Experience providing library instruction.

About the UC San Diego Library

The UC San Diego Library, ranked among the nation’s top 25 public academic libraries, plays a critical role in advancing and supporting the university’s research, teaching, patient care, and public service missions. The world-renowned research for which UC San Diego is known starts at the UC San Diego Library, which provides the foundation of knowledge needed to advance cutting-edge discoveries in a wide range of disciplines, from healthcare and science to public policy and the arts.

The UC San Diego Library is widely recognized as an innovative leader in the development, management, and delivery of digital resources to support the university’s world-class research and instruction. The Library plays a leadership role in HathiTrust, an international partnership of 52 academic and research libraries committed to long-term digital preservation, and also plays a central role in data curation, a critical part of the University’s Research Cyberinfrastructure initiative.

About UC San Diego

With nearly 30,000 students, the University of California, San Diego is dedicated to the advancement of knowledge through excellence in education and research at the undergraduate, graduate, professional school and postdoctoral levels. UC San Diego has been recognized as one of the top 10 public universities in the nation by US News & World Report, as well as one of the top schools for medical research. UC San Diego is also in the top 10 of all universities in the nation in receiving federal R&D research grants.

Librarians at UC San Diego are academic appointees and entitled to appropriate professional leave and all other perquisites granted to non-faculty academic personnel. Librarians at UC San Diego are expected to participate in library-wide and system-wide planning and governance and to be professionally active. The successful candidate will have an appreciation of, a sensitivity to, and respect for a rich and diverse academic environment, inclusive of students, faculty, and staff of varying social, economic, cultural, ideological and ethnic backgrounds, and those with disabilities.

Salary: Salary and level of appointment in the Librarian series commensurate with qualifications and experience and based on the University of California pay scales.

Closing Date: Application consideration begins April 14, 2014 and will continue until the position is filled.

To Apply: For full consideration, please submit applications to:

https://apol-recruit.ucsd.edu/apply/JPF00532

Please provide the following:

• A short application letter addressing your interest in this program and applicable qualifications
• A resume of education and relevant experience
• The names of at least three persons who are knowledgeable about your qualifications and/or suitability for this position
• A personal statement summarizing your past or planned contributions to diversity; guidance for preparing diversity statements
can be found at:

http://facultyequity.ucsd.edu/Faculty-Applicant-C2D-Info.asp

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