Georgia Southern University invites nominations and applications for the position of Discovery Services & Data Curation Librarian in the Zach S. Henderson Library. Georgia Southern University is a member institution of the University System of Georgia and a Carnegie Doctoral/Research University devoted to academic distinction in teaching, scholarship, and service. At Georgia Southern we provide a culture of engagement that bridges theory with practice, extends the learning environment beyond the classroom, and promotes student growth and life success.

Accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Georgia Southern offers more than 100 academic majors in a comprehensive array of baccalaureate degrees and selected master's and doctoral programs. Academic programs are organized within eight colleges: Business Administration, Education, Health and Human Sciences, the Allen E. Paulson College of Engineering and Information Technology, Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, the Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health, Science and Mathematics, and the Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies.

A residential university with enrollment of more than 20,500 students, Georgia Southern is one of Georgia’s premier universities. One of the top choices in Georgia for new freshmen, including HOPE Scholars, Georgia Southern enrolls an increasingly selective student body representing 49 U.S. states and nearly 100 nations. The University continues to enhance its academic profile through higher admission standards, an expanded Honors Program, and scholarships for academically talented students.

Georgia Southern University is committed to advancing the state of Georgia and the region through the benefits of higher education, offering both campus-based and a number of online degree programs. The University fosters access to its educational programs, provides a comprehensive and fulfilling university experience, and enhances quality of life in the region through collaborative relationships supporting education, health care and human services, cultural experiences, scientific and technological advancement, athletics, and regional development.

Our 900 acre park-like campus in Statesboro, Georgia is not far from historic Savannah and Hilton Head Island and provides the benefits of a major university with the feeling of a much smaller college in a classic Main Street community.

Within this setting, the Zach S. Henderson Library’s mission is to support the University by providing access to information, collections, and services designed to meet the scholarly needs of the University. In addition, the Library promotes independent lifelong learning, employs a learner-centered service ethic, and ensures a comfortable and secure study environment. The Discovery Services & Data Curation Librarian plays a leading role in improving services and demonstrating the library’s value to the academic community.
Position Description:
Reporting to the Head of the Collection and Resource Services Department, the Discovery Services & Data Curation Librarian (DSDC) will promote data curation in Digital Commons (the Henderson Library’s institutional repository) and other open access data repositories; manage research data sets in Digital Commons; assist faculty with data plans and structure for display in Digital Commons; serve as Library Liaison to the Office of Research; promote a service culture for technical services; manage EBSCO Discovery Service (EDS) to provide maximum positive user experience; routinely communicate with faculty and staff regarding changes, additions, and improvements in EDS; develop and maintain collegial relationships with Library departments to develop strategies relating to electronic content user discovery; develop and deliver training programs on discovery platforms and electronic resources to Library faculty; work both independently and collaboratively to ensure successful user experiences with electronic resources; manage e-team troubleshooting and communicate problem resolution; monitor trends and best practices in library discovery; recommend improvements to services; work closely with Cataloging/Metadata, Continuing Resources, and Public Services Librarians & Staff; serve as a member of the Online Resources & Services Work Team; serve 2 hours per week on Information Desk; positively represent the University in professional, community, and state organizations by actively participating in professional development and continuing education; serve on Library and campus committees and actively participate in professional activities; and perform other duties as assigned. The position is a 12-month, tenure-track appointment as assistant professor, and the salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience. Minimum is $40,000 per year.

Required Qualifications:
- ALA accredited master’s degree
- Experience in an academic setting
- Evidence of effective organizational, presentation, and interpersonal communication skills, including initiative, creativity, problem solving, and the ability to work collaboratively with faculty, staff, and students
- Must be authorized to work in the United States for the duration of employment without assistance from the institution

Preferred Qualifications:
- Demonstrated evidence of flexibility and ability to work in a fast-paced diverse team environment
- Knowledge of and/or experience with metadata schema such as MARC, Dublin Core, EAD, METS, ONIX
- Knowledge and/or experience with content standards including AACR2 and RDA
- Experience supporting electronic resource life-cycle activities in a library
- Experience with electronic resources management systems, link resolver software, discovery systems, e-resource knowledge base systems, and proxy configurations

Screening of applications begins January 12, 2015, and continues until the position is filled. The preferred position starting date is April 1, 2015. A complete application consists of a letter addressing the qualifications cited above; an original essay of two or three paragraphs on serving the public from a technical services base; a curriculum vitae; and the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses of at least three professional references, one of whom must be a current or former supervisor. Other documentation may be requested. Only complete applications submitted electronically will be considered. Finalists will be required to submit to a background investigation. Applications and nominations should be sent to:
Fred Smith, Search Chair, Search # 67268
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More information about the institution is available through http://www.georgiasouthern.edu. Georgia Southern University seeks to recruit individuals who are committed to working in diverse academic and professional communities and who are committed to excellence in teaching, scholarship, and professional service within the University and beyond. The names of applicants and nominees, vitae, and other non-evaluative information may be subject to public inspection under the Georgia Open Records Act. Georgia Southern University is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity institution. Individuals who need reasonable accommodations under the ADA to participate in the search process should contact the Associate Provost.