

Urban Studies Librarian

Library Faculty Position, Atlanta Campus



Position and Responsibilities

Georgia State University, ranked in 2018 as the #2 Most Innovative University by [U.S. News & World Report](#), has one of the fastest growing research profiles in the country and a proven commitment to the success of students from all backgrounds.

As stated in our strategic plan, Georgia State University seeks to be a leading urban public research university addressing the most challenging issues of the 21st century and a leader in understanding the complex challenges of cities and developing effective solutions. We welcome to our University Library team an entrepreneurial and innovative colleague to explore emerging interdisciplinary needs of the research and teaching community, with opportunities to collaborate with partners across the Atlanta metro area.

The Urban Studies Librarian serves as the principal library liaison to multiple academic departments and programs at GSU, including History, Political Science, Geosciences, Urban Studies Institute, and others depending on educational background and need. The Urban Studies Librarian provides individual and small-group consultations, workshops, instruction in information and resource use, has a strong commitment to student learning and success, and collaborates closely with our team of subject librarians serving a variety of GSU colleges and programs.

We welcome a new type of information professional who works with students at all levels in learning the information tools and skills needed to succeed in college and career, and who is a partner in faculty research and teaching. The position serves as a member of the library faculty (12-month; non-tenure track), holds faculty rank, and is expected to participate in service and scholarly activities as outlined in the University Library's faculty guidelines. Funding for travel and professional development is provided.

Environment

The University Library, Atlanta Campus, provides one of the most attractive, open, and inviting educational facilities in the Southeast. With over 1.5 million visitors in the past year, the Library is an integral part of the University community. The Library is a valued partner within the campus community, offering a modern, inviting, and centralized facility supporting both teaching and research with extensive collections and outstanding assistance. Its signature Link, a multilevel glass structure that overlooks downtown Atlanta, connects the Library's two prominent buildings. CURVE ([curve.gsu.edu](#)), located in Library South, and brings together students and expert researchers from all disciplines in a shared, hands-on, interactive space featuring cutting-edge hardware and software for data visualization and analysis. For additional information about the Georgia State University Library, visit [library.gsu.edu](#).

Georgia State University, an innovative urban public research university, is a national leader in graduating students from widely diverse backgrounds. Georgia State readies students for professional pursuits, educates future leaders and prepares citizens for lifelong learning. Enrolling one of the most diverse student bodies in the nation at its downtown research campus, at its vibrant branch campuses and online, the university provides educational opportunities for more than 50,000 students at the graduate, baccalaureate, associate and certificate levels. For additional information about Georgia State University, visit [gsu.edu](#).

Required qualifications

- Master's degree in Library and/or Information Science from an ALA-accredited program
- Strong ability to work effectively with culturally diverse library users and colleagues
- Strong ability to work collaboratively across disciplines with multiple stakeholders
- Understanding of the importance of GIS and mapping applications across multiple disciplines
- Understanding of the rapidly changing role of the academic library and librarian in higher education
- Excellent communication, presentation, and interpersonal skills

Preferred qualifications

- Additional graduate degree in a related field
- Experience providing instruction
- Experience with GIS desktop and web-based mapping applications

Condition of work and Benefits

Twelve-month assignment

Faculty rank and status

Non-tenure track

Support for research and professional activities

Salary and rank:

\$50,000 minimum salary over 12 months. Salary commensurate with the candidate's education and experience. Appointment at faculty rank (Instructor/Assistant/Associate Professor) on a contract renewal basis. Submit a cover letter addressing the above qualifications; resume; name, address and phone number of three references. Review of materials will begin May 31, 2019 and continue until the position is filled. Send materials to:

Georgia State University
Attn: Human Resources Officer
University Library
100 Decatur Street, SE, Atlanta, GA 30303-3202
(404) 413-2700
liblao@gsu.edu

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