

Join The Ohio State University Libraries

Associate Director for Research and Education

For the complete job description, including required and preferred qualifications, see: go.osu.edu/AD.

The Ohio State University Libraries seeks a knowledgeable, dynamic, results-oriented leader to direct, develop, enhance, and implement an evolving portfolio of research, teaching, and learning services that support the University's efforts to transform scholarship and solve problems of worldwide significance. The Associate Director for Research and Education creates a shared vision for and advances tactical implementation of a relevant suite of programs and services to enhance information literacy, scholarly research, liaison partnerships, outreach, and targeted assessment. Reporting to the Vice Provost and Director of University Libraries, the Associate Director sets priorities, provides structure for collaboration, and strategically advances library initiatives that align with the mission and innovative direction of the University. The incumbent will join an energetic, change-oriented Executive Committee focused on organizational development, innovation, strategic alignment and constituent's needs.

Connections that Revolutionize Scholarship

The Research and Education Division leads the Libraries in creating new, engagement-centered service models based in cross-university partnerships, user-oriented assessment, and long-standing success in advancing information literacy. The Associate Director inspires, guides and enables the work of approximately 27 faculty and 34 staff in Research Services, Teaching and Learning, Outreach and Engagement, and Assessment, as well as the branch libraries: 18th Avenue Library, Architecture, Biological Sciences/Pharmacy, Fine Arts, Geology, Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, and Veterinary Medicine. This position serves as liaison for the University's five regional campus libraries.

Placing Librarians in Critical Workflows: Current Initiatives

- Advance continuous change in the role of liaison librarians as key partners in the research enterprise and in redesigning curricula as scholarship evolves.
- Extend the existing engaged librarian model to more intensely support the University's growth in the Discovery Theme areas: Health and Wellness, Energy and the Environment, Food Safety and Security.
- Evaluate liaison distribution in the context of changing University programs.

- Through partnerships and skill building, define and assemble relevant services to offer through the new Research Commons.
- Cultivate success for a newly hired cohort of librarians with expertise in business, fine arts, architecture, GIS/Geology, data services and digital humanities.
- Foster the University's efforts to ensure early and continued student achievement through librarian participation in the First Year Experience and Second-year Transformational Experience programs.
- Contribute significantly to the University's expansion of online education programs in close cooperation with the Office of Distance Education and eLearning.
- Develop strategic approaches for keeping pace with constituency needs through targeted assessment, user-focused innovation, and improving user experience.
- Align purposeful outreach and programming with university-wide conversations.
- Enhance the branch libraries' contribution to their constituencies' success including guiding renovations in the FAES Student Success Center and the 18th Avenue Library (open 24/7).

About the Appointment

This is a full-time, permanent, 12-month tenure-track faculty position. Salary and faculty rank are dependent on qualifications and experience.

Benefits

The University offers a competitive package of benefits. For details, see: hr.osu.edu/hrpubs/ben/fs-bensummaryreg.pdf.

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Nominations or applications will be accepted until the position is filled. First consideration will be given to applications received by December 1, 2013, by sending a letter of interest with a current resume and name, address, phone, and email address of three references to newman.25@osu.edu.

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The Ohio State University is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer. Women, minorities, veterans, and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.



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Vision

- Advance student and faculty success.
- Deliver distinctive content.
- Foster intellectual connections.

Mission

The Ohio State University Libraries is a dynamic partner and campus leader in advancing discovery and learning for OSU, for the state of Ohio, and for an ever expanding community of world scholars.

We create, acquire, organize, disseminate, and preserve scholarship in traditional and digital forms; we foster an environment conducive to academic inquiry, scholarly communication, creative achievement, and lifelong learning; we help students become information literate and globally aware; and we contribute to the University's drive to eminence in teaching, research, and service.

The Ohio State University

Founded in 1870, The Ohio State University is a world-class public research university and the leading comprehensive teaching and research institution in the state of Ohio. With more than 63,000 students (including 56,000 in Columbus), the Wexner Medical Center, 14 colleges, 80 centers, and 168 majors, the university offers its students tremendous breadth and depth of opportunity in the liberal arts, the sciences, and the professions.



The Ohio State University Libraries

The Ohio State University Libraries (OSUL) is a highly valued partner and campus leader in advancing discovery and learning for OSU, for the state of Ohio and for an ever expanding community of world scholars. Aligned with the University's vision to be the world's preeminent public comprehensive university, the Libraries advance student and faculty success by delivering distinctive content and fostering intellectual connections.

A world-class public research and comprehensive teaching university such as OSU demands a top research library and OSUL is rising to eminence along with the rest of the University. The Libraries, a leader among peers, is currently ranked in the top 10 among the public university members of the Association of Research Libraries, a reflection of the investment of the University. This ranking places OSU Libraries within the top 20 of 126 ARL member libraries. The OSU Libraries is an essential charter member of OhioLINK, a consortium of 88 Ohio academic libraries and the State Library of Ohio and shares resources through that organization.

The Libraries also enhances collections and services by participation in the CIC, the academic consortium of Big Ten institutions.

With this support and these partnerships, the OSU Libraries has turned its attention to rapid innovation to address the challenges of the evolving academic environment. Major renovation projects continue to enhance our spaces for collaborative and dynamic teaching, learning and research. An ambitious talent management plan is bringing new skills and reframing long held strengths. Increased investment in a wide variety of digital initiatives aims to revolutionize discovery and access anytime, anywhere to our vast and distinctive resources. Our impact reaches beyond our campus and extends the land-grant mission internationally. Learn more about the Ohio State Libraries:

- The Libraries' Strategic Plan: go.osu.edu/Libraries-Strategic-Plan
- Long-term growth and innovation: library.osu.edu/news/giving-to-the-libraries

