

Amherst College

Amherst has taken a leadership role among highly selective liberal arts colleges and universities in successfully diversifying the racial, socio-economic, and geographic profile of its student body. The College is similarly committed to enriching its educational experience and its culture through the diversity of its faculty, administration and staff.

Job Description:

Amherst College invites applications for the Social Sciences Librarian position. The Social Sciences Librarian is a full-time, year-round position, starting at \$73,000-commensurate with experience. Given Amherst's distinction as one of the most diverse liberal arts colleges in the country, the successful candidate will demonstrate the ways in which they bring value to and will work towards supporting a broadly diverse community.

As part of a collaborative and dynamic team, the Social Sciences Librarian teaches in the library's program of course-integrated research instruction; builds relationships with a highly diverse group of faculty, students, and staff to support their information needs; serves as subject librarian and liaison for departments in the social sciences, teaching approaches and tools while building collections in these areas; and provides general research help and guides library users in discovering, accessing, and evaluating information in all formats.

Summary of Responsibilities

Research & Instruction

- Creates responsive, disciplinary-focused research instruction for classes; teaches research skills in the context of specific courses and assignments; and supports a diverse set of students pursuing independent research projects.
- Works with colleagues in Research & Instruction to facilitate inclusive learning and communication across the library and with campus partners
- Provides research assistance in the main Robert Frost Library.
- Incorporates emerging technologies and new uses of social-sciences research and data in response to evolving needs of publishing and information dissemination.

Collection Development and Liaison work

- Serves as subject specialist and liaison to several academic departments in the social sciences: provides in-depth consultations about resources and research strategies, including qualitative and quantitative methods and working with data, legal and government information, and education studies; develops and manages relevant collections in all formats; connects faculty, students, and staff with library services.

Functional teams in library

- Actively participates in outreach activities, committees, and work groups of the Library.

Qualifications

Required:

- Master's degree from a program accredited by the American Library Association or foreign equivalent.
- A history of excellent classroom teaching; a commitment to undergraduates and undergraduate education; and a strong record of rapport and collaboration with faculty on assignments, course design, and pedagogical strategies.
- Experience in an academic library or research institution with a focus on teaching, resource selection, and other public services.
- Strong academic background, intellectual curiosity, and familiarity with social-sciences research and trends in scholarly communication.
- Commitment to and demonstrated knowledge of diversity, inclusion, and equity issues as related to research instruction, collection development, and user-centered public service.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills; ability to advocate for the Library to a variety of constituents.

Preferred:

- Additional graduate degree or undergraduate major in a social-sciences discipline; proficiency in a language besides English welcomed.

Amherst College offers many opportunities for professional growth and development, continued learning, and career advancement.

Amherst College requires all employees to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 (medical and religious exemptions may apply).

Amherst College is pleased to provide a comprehensive, highly competitive benefits package that meets the needs of staff and faculty and their families. Benefits are an important part of our overall compensation, so it is critical that you review all of the options to ensure it meets your total compensation requirements. Click here for Benefits Information.

Interested candidates are asked to submit a resume and cover letter online at https://amherst.wd5.myworkdayjobs.com/Amherst_Jobs . **Please be sure to upload all requested documents prior to clicking Submit. Applications cannot be revised once submitted. (Current**

employees and students should apply by clicking on the Career icon from their Workday home screen) Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

To find information about job group and level (JGL) follow this link.

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