University of Arkansas - Fayetteville Law Library

The University of Arkansas Robert A. and Vivian Young Law Library needs to fill its Head of Public Services Position.

The Head of Public Services reports to the library director and manages traditional circulation, reference, and outreach functions. Candidates should embrace technology and want to lead the staff into the future. The Public Services staff currently includes three reference librarians (including the Head of Public Services), a circulation manager, and an army of student assistants.

Minimum requirements include an ALA accredited Master's degree in Library Science and three years of reference experience. In addition, the successful candidate will be a team player and will possess enthusiasm, energy, a positive attitude, a knack for juggling priorities, communication and management skills, and a sense of humor. The position is tenure track on the law library faculty and an ABA accredited law degree is desired.

The Young Law Library houses over one-quarter million volume equivalents nurtured by fourteen staff members, including six with library degrees and three with law degrees. Because the Library is responsible for law school administrative and instructional computing, candidates interested in furthering a seamless union between technology and information delivery are strongly encouraged to apply. Salary and benefits are commensurate with experience.

Please send resumes and the names and contact information for three references to:

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Distance learning is a topic we hear a lot about, but how is distance learning being applied in the library field? One member of the Law Librarians Society of Washington, D.C. wrote an article on the topic which describes some distance programs and provides references and URLs for further investigation. Waesche, Carole, “Distance Learning: Leaving Boundaries Behind,” Law Library Lights, Vol. 44, no. 5, May/June, 2001, pgs. 1-5.

The Chicago Library System announced it’s Continuing Education Calendar for the Fall on the listserv of the Chicago Association of Law Libraries on Friday, August 24. David R. Bryant posted the message with a link to the CLS Continuing Ed. Calendar. It is interesting to see what other groups are doing and can provide ideas for future programs. http://www.chilibsys.org/ce/.

Bob Berring Making the Rounds in the Midwest

MAALL is not the only Midwest library group to have Bob Berring as a featured speaker. Professor Berring visited Madison, Wisconsin on August 17 and addressed two groups of the Law Librarians’ Association of Wisconsin through a video conference to Milwaukee. The program was announced on the LLAW listserv by Amy Bingenheimer on August 5, 2001.

The Minnesota Association of Law Libraries announced that Professor Berring would be in the Twin Cities to address their group on September 10. The announcement by Barbara Minor was posted to the MALL listserv on August 13 along with the URL to the July/August issue of their online newsletter: http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/mall/mallnews.htm.

Disaster Recovery in the News

A topic few of us like to think about is disaster recovery should something happen to our libraries. Several librarians in Houston worked in dark, damp libraries this Summer after floods and a visit from Tropical Storm Allison drenched downtown Houston, leaving areas flooded and power out. “Member News,” HALL Newsletter, Vol. 18, no. 4, July/August, 2001, p. 8.

Kudos from CALL for a MAALL Member


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