

Faculty Positions for 2009 at SLIS

The School of Library & Information Studies, College of Communication & Information Sciences, The University of Alabama, invites applications and nominations for instructor for a three-year renewable contract, beginning as early as August 2009. Successful candidates will be prepared to teach six courses per year (including summer), to advise graduate students, and to participate in the life of the school. Instructors are welcome, but not obligated, to have a research/publication agenda.

All faculty members provide online, on-campus, and off-site face-to-face instruction. Instructors must have 18 semester hours beyond the Master's degree; substantial progress toward a doctorate is desirable. Instructors will be eligible to apply for tenure leading positions as they become available and as individual qualifications match departmental needs.

Preference will be given to applicants with interests in one or more of the following areas:

- ~ Information & reference services, including bibliography, digital reference, assessment, and the evaluation of reference and information services;
- ~ Organization of information including cataloging, metadata, and subject analysis;
- ~ Academic librarianship, including management, administrative services, and higher education policy and planning.

Work history in a library or another information environment, teaching, research assistance, and other related experiences are desirable.

The School, with 14 faculty members, offers an ALA-accredited Master's program, an MFA program in the book arts, and doctoral courses that contribute to a multidisciplinary doctorate in communication and information sciences. An undergraduate course sequence in information studies is also offered. The School is selective in admissions for all program options and the MLIS program ranks among the top 25 programs in North America.

School of Library & Information Studies faculty members engage in a broad range of scholarship, research, and creative endeavor. Recent output includes scholarly articles, award-winning books, a film based on a scholarly publication, and a US patent for software applications related to digital libraries. The Book Arts program has established significant ties with book artists in Cuba, with whom there is an ongoing collaboration. The School has an active and generous alumni association with which faculty and students interact regularly.

Tuscaloosa is centrally located in the Southeast, and is convenient to Atlanta, Birmingham, Mobile and the Gulf Coast, New Orleans, Memphis, Nashville, and Chattanooga. The area offers outdoor activities year-round, a vibrant arts community, the cultural benefits of a major university, and services befitting a larger community. Living is good in Tuscaloosa, AL.

Applications (a letter and c.v. including the names and contact information for three references) should be addressed to Elizabeth Aversa, Director, School of Library & Information Studies, The University of Alabama, Box 870252, Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0252. APPLICANTS MUST ALSO APPLY ONLINE AT <https://facultyjobs.ua.edu>

Applications will be reviewed beginning June 15, 2009 and will be accepted until the position is filled.

The University of Alabama is an Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

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