The University of Louisville Libraries are looking for an energetic, creative and forward-thinking Director of the Margaret M. Bridwell Art Library. The successful candidate will be eager to engage students and faculty from an evolving Fine Arts program, and by crafting services, programs, and collections that support their learning, research and artistic endeavors. The Director has responsibility for all aspects of management and planning for the Art Library, reports to the Dean of Libraries and serves on the Dean’s senior library administrative team.

The Director will also have the opportunity to participate in significant projects impacting the entire University Libraries, such as developing digital scholarship services and engaging in assessment projects.

Responsibilities:

- **Leadership:** Provide innovative approaches to the development of services to faculty, students, researchers, and the community; manage operations of the library including the supervision of two full-time staff and student assistants; contribute to the goals and initiatives of the University Libraries.
- **Engagement:** Serve as liaison to the Hite Art Institute, Department of Fine Arts which currently occupies three locations within the city; promote use of the extensive print and electronic collections; collaborate with other liaison librarians, especially to other arts and humanities disciplines; use social media and other emerging technologies to engage users.
- **Information Literacy:** Design and implement instructional programs and materials including online research guides and tutorials; communicate with faculty about information literacy services and work with them to develop appropriate library assignments; collaborate with instruction librarians from the Research Assistance and Instruction Dept. on the development of new skills and approaches to teaching.
- **Reference:** Provide information services in person and online to campus and community users.
- **Collection Management:** Develop print and electronic collections in studio art, art and architecture history, design, artist’s books and curatorial studies; promote and build archival collections.
- **Outreach:** Work with arts organizations in the community and seek opportunities for partnerships; cultivate and provide stewardship to donors.
- **Collaboration:** Work with other Libraries faculty and departments on campus on new initiatives in areas such as digital scholarship and assessment.

Required Qualifications:

- Master’s degree from an ALA-accredited program or international equivalent in library or information science
- Undergraduate or graduate degree in an arts field or work experience in a fine arts organization
- Three years relevant professional experience in an academic/research library
- Knowledge of digital technologies, web design and social media; demonstrated ability to learn and use emerging technologies in innovative ways
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills
• Ability to work collaboratively and independently, and to handle multiple priorities
• Potential for satisfying the University Libraries Faculty promotion and tenure requirements

Desired Qualifications

• Familiarity with digital humanities
• Experience providing instruction to classes and individuals
• Experience providing reference services and familiarity with methods of scholarly research in art
• Demonstrated commitment to public service
• Experience providing services outside of the library setting
• Demonstrated ability to work effectively and build strong relationships with colleagues, students, faculty, and researchers
• Knowledge of collection development practices in art and architectural history, art, design, and curatorial studies
• Reading or bibliographic knowledge of a second language
• Supervisory experience
• Membership in professional organizations such as ARLIS/NA

The initial rank and salary will depend upon experience and professional achievements. The University Libraries offer a comprehensive benefits package and annual vacation of 22 working days. Library faculty appointments are twelve-month, tenure-track positions.

The University Libraries, a member of the Association of Research Libraries, values its collaborative efforts both within the university and among other organizations. The University of Louisville is a Carnegie Research/High university and recipient of the Carnegie Community Engagement classification for Curricular Engagement & Outreach and Partnerships. The University has a national reputation for its high-quality undergraduate programs; over twenty nationally recognized research, graduate, and professional programs; 22,000 graduate and undergraduate students; and a strong commitment to the community in which it resides. UofL is located in the state’s largest urban area.

The city of Louisville offers hospitality, warmth and smaller city advantages like shorter commutes and lower cost of living alongside major city amenities like world-class performing arts, great sports, incredible dining and a nationally-acclaimed parks system. The city also has a vibrant arts scene with numerous museums, including the Speed Art Museum and the Kentucky Museum of Arts and Crafts, and several neighborhoods with contemporary galleries and distinctive shops.

Applications received by October 19, 2018 are given full consideration in the initial screening. The position will remain open until filled. Applicants must apply at: http://louisville.edu/hr/employment/jobs/currentopenings (Job ID 34499) and attach AS A SINGLE, COMBINED PDF a CV, letter of interest detailing your familiarity, aptitude, and/or experience with the required and desired qualifications, and the name, address, phone number and e-mail address of three references.

The University Libraries are committed to creating a diverse, inclusive workplace and have recently joined the ACRL Diversity Alliance to work with other academic libraries toward this goal.

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