



Libraries and School of Information Studies

Position Announcement

Health Sciences Information Specialist and Clinical Assistant Professor

Purdue University Libraries and School of Information Studies invites applications for the position of Health Sciences Information Specialist at the clinical assistant or clinical associate professor level. For this position, “health sciences” may include any of the departments within the College of Health & Human Sciences or the College of Veterinary Medicine. This is a twelve-month, fiscal-year appointment with a strong emphasis on teaching. The successful candidate will work closely with other Libraries health sciences faculty to teach or co-teach established courses (e.g., Information Skills for Health Professionals; Introduction to Systematic Reviews for the Health Sciences; etc.) and to design new in-person or online courses. This professor can also teach courses within the School of Information Studies’ recently approved minor in Information Studies. The university’s procedures for appointing and promotion clinical faculty apply to this position (see <https://www.purdue.edu/provost/policies/clinical-faculty.html>). Recent graduates are encouraged to apply.

The successful candidate will

- Teach health sciences-related credit courses or courses for the Information Studies minor;
- Collaborate on the design of new courses;
- Design relevant workshops and present them to graduate and undergraduate students;
- Respond to requests for guest lectures, reference assistance, and research consultations from the health sciences disciplines;
- Develop instructional materials (e.g., LibGuides; instructional videos; etc.);
- Provide administrative oversight for the School of Information Studies’ evidence synthesis service;
- Serve as the Libraries’ liaison to one or more health sciences departments;
- Participate on faculty committees, councils, or ad hoc groups with the Libraries and School of Information Studies or Purdue University.

Required qualifications

- MLS/MLIS from and ALA-accredited program or a terminal degree in a relevant discipline;
- Completed coursework or work experience in the life or health sciences.

Desirable skills

- Teaching experience;
- Instructional design skills;
- Experience with evidence synthesis methods such as systematic reviews and meta-analyses;
- Track record of teamwork or project management skills;
- Demonstrated ability to work in a highly collaborative environment.

Environment: Purdue University Libraries and School of Information Studies (Libraries), recipient of the 2015 Award for Excellence in University Libraries from the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL), is at the forefront of academic librarianship and redefining the role of the academic, research library in learning, discovery, and engagement activities of the University. Libraries faculty and staff are deeply involved in information literacy instruction and instructional design, redefining of learning spaces, scholarly communication, data management, and global outreach. Libraries faculty have expanded their collaborative endeavors with disciplinary faculty in integrating information literacy into the core curriculum.

Purdue University (<http://www.purdue.edu/>), located in West Lafayette, Indiana, in the historic Wabash River valley, is one hour from Indianapolis and two hours from Chicago. Renowned nationally and internationally for its programs in engineering, science, agriculture, and business, the University has over 51,306 students and 18,384 employees. U.S. News and World Report ranks Purdue 1st for Online Graduate Engineering Programs in the U.S. Fast Company ranks Purdue 16th among the World's Most Innovative Companies and 1st in education. Purdue is a member of the Association of American Universities (AAU), Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU), and the Big Ten Academic Alliance (BTTA).

The greater Lafayette area (<http://www.homeofpurdue.com/>) provides diverse cultural, social, and recreational activities.

Salary and benefits:

The minimum salary is \$80,000. Salary is commensurate with experience in the context of Purdue University's salary structure.

Non-tenure track clinical faculty position. Rank of Clinical Assistant.

Start-up funds are provided for computer/software/equipment, and for travel and professional development.

Purdue provides a generous fringe benefit package that includes retirement benefits as well as health, disability and life insurance, and tuition support for employee, children, and spouse.

Purdue provides dual career assistance and relocation services.

Relocation funding will be available and discussed on a case-by-case basis.

Application process:

Submit applications online at:

<https://hcm-us10.hr.cloud.sap/sf/jobreq?jobId=31786&company=purdueuniv> and include the following:

1. Cover letter describing your interest in the Health Sciences Information Specialist position and addressing the required qualifications;
2. Curriculum vitae;
3. Names and contact information for three references.

A background check will be required for employment in this position.

Review of applications will begin **July 15, 2024** and continue until position is filled.

Inquiries may be sent to Carole Tolley, Lead Administrative Assistant at tolleyc@purdue.edu.

Purdue University is an EOE/AA employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply.