

Head of Research and Instruction Services
Auburn University

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Job Title	Head of Research and Instruction Services
Department	Library
Institution	Auburn University Auburn, Alabama

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Application Deadline	Open until filled
Position Start Date	Available immediately

Job Categories	Department Head/Head/Chair
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Academic Field(s)	Library Services
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Job Description

Auburn University Libraries seeks a collaborative, innovative, and user-centered leader to guide and direct the Research and Instruction Services Department. The Head of Research and Instruction Services will provide strategic leadership in developing, implementing, and assessing innovative and adaptive pedagogical and research practices which utilize state-of-the-art learning spaces and support Auburn University's excellent teaching and growing research enterprise as an R1 institution. The individual in this position will lead a diverse department of library faculty with responsibilities in areas that include information literacy instruction, reference services, student learning and engagement, and subject liaison coordination.

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Reporting to the Dean of Libraries, the Head of Research and Instruction Services will work collaboratively with the Libraries' leadership team members to carry out the strategic goals of Auburn University Libraries. This twelve-month tenure-track faculty position requires professional and scholarly activity as well as service on library and university committees.

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Leads and supports library faculty as they engage in information literacy instruction, reference services, student engagement, and liaison activities.
- Works collaboratively with library faculty and university partners to develop and assess innovative and responsive user-focused services and programs in the areas of information literacy instruction, reference services, and outreach programs to support student, staff and faculty excellence in teaching, learning, and research.
- Recruits, trains, develops, and evaluates a team of high-quality departmental faculty, contributing to their professional growth, development, and retention.
- Mentors departmental faculty who are working towards tenure and/or promotion.
- Supervises departmental faculty who plan, develop, and implement course-integrated face-to-face, online, and hybrid information literacy instruction in collaboration with course instructors.
- Fosters an adaptable, collaborative, and flexible departmental culture that is responsive to evolving library and campus priorities.
- With other department and unit heads in the Libraries, promotes a positive work, organizational, and educational culture that supports professionalism, a collegial spirit, equity, diversity, and inclusion.
- Serves as a member of the Libraries' Leadership Group and the Operational Team.
- Participates in local, state, and national library professional organizations, and
- Participates in night and weekend duty as required.

SALARY / BENEFITS: Minimum salary of \$90,000. Rank and salary will be commensurate with experience/qualifications. This is a twelve-month tenure-track position. Benefits include 20 days of vacation leave/12 days of sick leave per year; participation in State Teachers' Retirement System (mandatory); additional voluntary retirement plans available; health/dental/life/disability insurance.

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Auburn University Libraries is a member of the Association of Research Libraries (ARL), Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL), HathiTrust, Coalition for Networked Information (CNI), and other organizations of academic institutions. The Libraries completed a strategic plan in alignment with the Auburn University Strategic Plan which is available at:

https://www.lib.auburn.edu/strategicplan/AUL_Strategic_Plan_2019-24.pdf

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Auburn University is one of the nation's premier public land-grant institutions. In 2024, it was ranked 47th among public universities by U.S. News and World Report. Auburn maintains high levels of research activity and high standards for teaching excellence, offering Bachelor's, Master's, Educational Specialist, and Doctoral degrees in agriculture and engineering, the professions, and the arts and sciences. Its 2023 enrollment of 33,015 students includes 26,874 undergraduates and 6,141 graduate and professional students. The University is nationally recognized for its commitment to academic excellence, its positive work environment, its student engagement, and its beautiful campus.

Auburn residents enjoy a thriving community, recognized as one of the "best small towns in America," with moderate climate and easy access to major cities or to beach and mountain recreational facilities. Situated along the rapidly developing I-85 corridor between Atlanta, Georgia, and Montgomery, Alabama, the combined Auburn-Opelika-Columbus statistical area has a population of over 500,000, with excellent public-school systems and regional medical centers.

Auburn University is understanding of, and sensitive to the family needs of faculty, including dual-career couples. Additional information can be found on our website:

<http://www.auburn.edu/academic/provost/pdf/guidelines-dual-career-services.pdf>.

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