NOTICE OF VACANCY
May 5, 2017

TITLE: Geography and Global Studies Librarian
LOCATION: Government Publications, Maps, Microforms and Newspapers Unit; Reference and Research Services Department.

THE LIBRARIES
Serving three campuses, the University of Washington Libraries is one of the largest and most innovative libraries in North America with collections exceeding 9 million volumes, over 500,000 electronic books, more than 120,000 currently received journal titles, as well as millions of scholarly resources in other formats. Beyond the strength of local collections and digital resources, the Libraries is recognized for its excellent service, innovative learning and research spaces, faculty partnerships, global reach, extensive assessment efforts and diverse award-winning staff. The Libraries plays a significant leadership role regionally as a member in the groundbreaking Orbis Cascade Alliance and throughout the profession as evidenced by the number of its staff selected for competitive leadership programs and honored by professional association lifetime achievement awards.

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS, MAPS, MICROFORMS AND NEWSPAPERS UNIT (GMM)
The GMM unit is comprised of three major collections that serve UW faculty, students, and staff, as well as researchers from the local community and around the world. The government publication collection is a depository for publications from the United States federal government, Canada, the United Nations, the European Union, and the State of Washington. The collection also includes documents from international intergovernmental organizations, the City of Seattle, and King County. The map collection includes map sheets, aerial photographs, atlases, and electronic mapping and digital geospatial data for use with GIS software. The microform and newspaper collection includes current national and international newspapers, an extensive collection of newspapers on microfilm, as well as a wide variety of microform sets supporting research in the humanities, social sciences, sciences, and international studies. The unit is part of the Libraries’ Reference and Research Services Department.

THE POSITION
The University of Washington Libraries seeks a collaborative, creative, and energetic librarian to provide a range of learning and research services to faculty, students, and staff in Geography and Global Studies. Under the general direction of the Head, Government Publications, Maps, Microforms and Newspapers (GMM), the Geography and Global Studies Librarian serves as the liaison to the Geography Department, the Center for Global Studies, the Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology, and coordinating liaison to the Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies. The librarian has primary responsibility for managing services and collections for geography, international government organizations (IGO), and non-governmental organizations (NGO). Other responsibilities include the provision of GIS services and support to the Geography Department and the Jackson School, and serving as one of the research data services librarians for the social sciences.

RESPONSIBILITIES
• Initiates liaison and outreach relationships with the Geography Department, the Global Studies Center, the Jackson School, and the Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology, providing instruction, reference, and consultation services, and participating in Department, School, and Center activities. Assesses, develops, and selects electronic and print resources for the geography collection. Creates and
maintains research guides and other tools for International Documents, general International Studies, and Geography.

• Collaborates with the Geospatial Data and Maps Librarian to provide GIS services and support to the Geography Department and the Jackson School.
• Plays a leadership and liaison role in the social sciences for data collection development (data sets), data mining services, and data management, curation, and literacy support in collaboration with the Research Data Services staff and the social sciences librarians.
• Manages international depository relationships and collections on behalf of the Libraries, such as the official liaison to the United Nations Depository Program, and ensures the observance of depository requirements for international government publications.
• Participates in staffing the Government Publications, Maps, Microforms and Newspapers service desk and the Libraries’ virtual information and reference service. With the U.S. Documents librarian, responds to questions related to U.S. and international governmental issues.
• Collaborates with colleagues to plan and implement instruction to students working on transnational and multidisciplinary research, often in a team environment.

QUALIFICATIONS
Required
• Graduate degree from a program accredited by the American Library Association or an equivalent graduate library science/information studies degree.
• Demonstrated commitment to diversity and understanding of the contributions a diverse workforce brings to the workplace.
• One to two years of experience providing public services in an academic library.
• Evidence of ability to work independently and with others in a demanding and rapidly changing environment where collaboration, consultation, and cooperation are essential.
• Demonstrated excellent interpersonal skills; evidence of strong written and oral communication skills.
• Evidence of initiative and resourcefulness in previous professional or academic activities.
• Experience in planning and/or providing information literacy instruction.
• Evidence of interest in and ability to learn and apply new technologies to user services.

Preferred
• Experience working with researchers and students in social science disciplines.
• Course work or experience working with government publications, particularly those from international governmental organizations (IGO) and the United States government.
• Knowledge of, experience with, or willingness to learn GIS and data services.
• Collection development experience or knowledge of the principles of collection development.

SALARY
$50,000 minimum. Starting salary commensurate with qualifications and background.

RANK
Position will be at rank of Assistant or Senior Assistant Librarian, depending on qualifications and background.

BENEFITS
Librarians are academic personnel and participate in the University of Washington Retirement Plan on a matching basis. Vacation is accrued at the rate of 26 working days per year; sick leave at the rate of 12 working days per year. No state or local income tax.
APPLICATION PROCESS
To apply for this position, please submit the following information to libhr@uw.edu:
• Cover letter (addressed to Laura Lillard, Director, Libraries Human Resources).
• Curriculum vitae or resume (include a telephone number, mailing address, email address and salary requirements).
• List of three references who are knowledgeable of your qualifications for this position, one of which must be your current supervisor (include telephone numbers, mailing addresses, and email addresses).
• Please use "Librarian Application: Geography and Global Studies Librarian" in the subject heading.
• Please submit all components in a single, multi-page PDF document. All submissions will be maintained in a secure, password protected online file space during the course of the search. Campus constituents may have access to some material, including CVs.

APPLICATION DEADLINE
To ensure consideration, applications should be received no later than 5:00 pm, Friday, June 9, 2017.


University of Washington is an affirmative action and equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, protected veteran or disabled status, or genetic information.

In compliance with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, the University is required to verify and document the citizenship or employment authorization of each new employee.

For questions about this position, or questions regarding potential disability accommodations, please contact Laura Lillard at libhr@uw.edu

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