The School of Library and Information Sciences (SLIS) at North Carolina Central University invites applications to fill five faculty positions (4 tenure track, assistant or associate rank and 1 clinical, open rank) to begin on July 1, 2019. SLIS seeks faculty who are committed strongly in library science and information science. At SLIS we prepare our students in our ALA accredited graduate degree program with the leadership, creativity, and technical skills to use the principles of information science and library science to address critical challenges. The faculty appointment is a 9-month position with opportunities for summer employment through teaching, funded research grants or additional administrative service.

We are looking for faculty who bring expertise in such areas as:

- Leadership and management of libraries, particularly to support academic librarianship, public librarianship; cataloging, collection development, and reference;
- Digital youth and school media including youth and adolescent use of digital technologies; digital literacy; news literacy; maker movement;
- Digital humanities; museum and cultural studies including museum informatics, archives and records management;
- Health informatics including use of computational tools and methods to explore questions to address healthcare issues;
- Information systems including information retrieval, data science and analytics, visualization, bibliometrics, artificial intelligence, user experience;
- Design for digital experiences including in libraries, community anchor institutions, museums and cultural institutions; systems analysis and design, design thinking
- Information policy and Information and Society; Digital Inclusion;
- Cloud engineering and network development; Cybersecurity;

The new faculty will join SLIS at a time of tremendous opportunity. The new faculty will join the current faculty to help lead SLIS’ strategy to create a distinctive niche nationally, develop new approaches to optimize student enrollment and academic quality, and enhance the school’s external recognition. The ideal candidate will be an outstanding scholar with academic or professional roots in library and information science and all other related areas including information systems, media and communication, computer science, digital humanities, digital STEM fields, public policy and public administration, and health informatics. All candidates are required to hold a doctorate from an accredited university by July 1, 2019.

SLIS is located in Durham, NC. Durham has a unique mix of rich history, pioneering achievements, and diverse culture. It is located Piedmont area of North Carolina that is home to the Research Triangle Park, Raleigh and Chapel Hill

Founded in 1910, NCCU, the first public liberal arts institution for African Americans in the
nation, also opened its doors to students for library science in 1939. NCCU is a top-ranked HBCU. Since then, the SLIS and NCCU continues to be a first choice, regionally and nationally recognized comprehensive university, while maintaining the historical identity of its liberal arts college roots.

Today, the University is a comprehensive institution that offers bachelor’s and master’s degrees, a Juris Doctor and a Ph.D. in Integrated Biosciences. The University also has two major research institutes: the Julius L. Chambers Biomedical/Biotechnology Research Institute (BBRI) and The Golden Leaf Foundation Biomanufacturing Research Institute and Technology Enterprise (BRITE).

With a strong tradition of teaching, research and service, NCCU prepares students to become global leaders and practitioners who transform communities. True to the University’s motto “Truth and Service,” NCCU was the first UNC system campus to require community service for graduation. The University competes at the NCAA Division I level and is a member of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC). NCCU is part of the 17-campus University of North Carolina (UNC) System, which is governed by the UNC Board of Governors.

SLIS provides graduate education in library and information studies. The SLIS offers two degrees, the Master of Library Science with concentrations in Academic Librarianship, Archives and Records Management, Digital Librarianship, Public Librarianship, School Librarianship (School Media Coordinator), and Special Librarianship; Master of Information Science with concentrations in Strategic Information Management, Networking and Communications and Health Informatics. The SLIS offers joint master’s degree programs: Master of Business Administration and Master of Information Sciences; JD and MLS, JD and MIS, Master of Public Administration and MIS, Education Technology and MIS.

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