



# UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

## Field Study Program

*To apply for the position, please submit your resume to the email address below.*

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**Descriptive Overview:** Provide a brief and descriptive summary of the purpose of the position.

The Engineering and Physical Sciences Library (EPSL) <http://www.lib.umd.edu/ENGINE/> is seeking dynamic and service oriented individuals to join our team and to be involved in a variety of learning opportunities. Our broadest goal is to encourage the growth and development of library students to further pursue a career in a science library.

The science librarians are engaged in a wide variety of library services ranging from reference, instruction, collection development and circulation. Working with colleagues in a supportive environment, the field student students will have the opportunity to explore the needs of our research and teaching science/technology community. Science background is not required.

**Duties and Responsibilities:** Provide a bulleted list of duties and responsibilities. The top five to seven work activities can be listed below.

EPSL librarians will work closely with students to develop field study projects that match their professional interests. The projects can be specifically related to a particular library service or give a broader experience over several areas of public services. Students are expected to investigate new technologies that may be used to effectively respond to changing information needs and are encouraged to participate in one of the following projects:

- Explore web 2.0 options in order to enhance library services and the student experience.
- Assist with setting up collaborative study and computing in EPSL's basement (e.g. supporting students to work on their gaming course assignments); market services to students using social networks.
- Develop visual and multimedia presentations of surveys and other data gathered in the past and future gathered data (data visualization).

In addition to the primary project, students will gain experience in:

- Providing conventional and digital reference services to faculty and students.
- Assisting in bibliographic instruction programs, orientation tours, and classroom presentations.
- Assisting in collection management activities.
- Creating and maintaining web pages, online tutorials, videos, etc.
- Working on projects under way such as creating online guides, coordinating special displays, and developing publicity materials.
- Assisting in library related research projects.