Title: Data Services Librarian  
Category: Librarian (Open Rank)  
Department: Digital Programs and Initiatives  

The University of Maryland Libraries serve more than 37,500 students and 4,200 faculty at the University System of Maryland’s flagship campus and constitute the largest university library system in the Washington D.C./Baltimore area. The University of Maryland Libraries share the teaching, learning and research goals of the university. Recent membership in the Big Ten Academic Alliance, a robust organization of Big Ten member institutions, is particularly meaningful to the University Libraries and will further propel the university’s ascendency in academic excellence.

The primary responsibility of the Data Services Librarian is to serve as the program lead to implement and promote novel, sustainable data services throughout all stages of the research data lifecycle. The incumbent in this position should strive to become the Libraries’ primary expert for the technology required to support comprehensive data services initiatives, including repositories and hosting requirements. S/he serves as the expert on technology and tools to support University of Maryland researchers and partners as they manage, analyze, share, communicate, and preserve their research data. The Data Services Librarian must collaborate closely with UMD Libraries’ staff to ensure Research Data Services are aligned with the diverse needs of a broad variety of researchers, and s/he takes the initiative to identify and support the technical needs of researchers as well as suggest improvements and new services or workflows. The Data Services Librarian actively participates in programs and projects in Digital Programs and Initiatives, including but not limited to the institutional repository (DRUM), digital publishing, and digital collections.

Reporting to the Manager, Digital Programs and Initiatives, the Data Services Librarian supports the collection, description, storage, and assessment of data acquired or generated by researchers. S/he engages in technical consultations with researchers to identify needs, provides instruction in tools for data collection, description, analysis, and exploration, and coordinates closely with both technical and non-technical staff throughout UMD Libraries to deploy solutions for data management. He or she helps cultivate partnerships and strengthen collaborations between researchers, curators, technologists, and administrators.

Required Qualifications/Education/Experience:
- Proficiency with at least one programming or scripting language, such as R, Python, JavaScript, or Ruby.
- Knowledge of issues and technical challenges related to use and archiving of digital data.
- Familiarity with academic, research, or special libraries.
- Master’s degree in Library or Information Science from an ALA-accredited institution of higher education by the start of employment, or an advanced degree with two years relevant experience.
- Familiarity with institutional or subject repository systems such as Fedora, DSpace, Dataverse, or comparable products.
- One year of prior work experience.
- Ability to use scripts or tools to extract and manipulate data from a variety of sources, including web services and APIs.

For the full position description including preferred qualifications, please go to [http://www.lib.umd.edu/hr/employment-opportunities/staff-faculty-positions](http://www.lib.umd.edu/hr/employment-opportunities/staff-faculty-positions).

Position is appointed to Librarian Faculty Ranks as established by the University System of Maryland Board of Regents. Rank at appointment is based on the successful applicant’s experience and relevant credentials. For additional information, consult the following website: [http://www.president.umd.edu/policies/2014-ii-100b.html](http://www.president.umd.edu/policies/2014-ii-100b.html).

APPLICATIONS: Electronic applications required. Please apply online at [https://ejobs.umd.edu/postings/49142](https://ejobs.umd.edu/postings/49142). No relocation assistance will be provided. You must be legally able to work in the United States; the University of Maryland Libraries will not sponsor individuals for employment. An application consists of a cover letter which includes the source of advertisement, a resume, and names/e-mail addresses of three references. Applications will be reviewed as they are received and accepted until February 24, 2017.

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