

Youngblood Energy Library Manager & Geology Librarian University of Oklahoma Libraries

OU Libraries seeks a dynamic, innovative, collaborative and highly motivated individual to manage the Laurence S. Youngblood Energy Library and serve as a liaison to the Mewbourne College of Earth and Energy (<http://ou.edu/mcee/>). The Youngblood Energy Library Manager & Geology Librarian develops and maintains positive working relationships with faculty, students, staff and scholars as well as other campus constituencies in ways that enhance the strategic investment of OU in libraries as part of the research and learning infrastructure of the institution. This position has the opportunity to partner with library specialists in scholarly communication, open educational resources, emerging technologies, data management, and geospatial information systems to support the learning and research needs of the Mewbourne College of Earth and Energy. As a subject liaison, the Youngblood Energy Library Manager & Geology Librarian develops the collections related to geology, geophysics, and petroleum engineering; participates in the library instruction program; provides on-site consultations for faculty and students; and coordinates library-related public programming, including events and exhibits. As a branch manager, this position supervises a full-time employee and serves as a member of the libraries' management council. The successful candidate will demonstrate a strong vision for transforming the physical and technological infrastructure of the Youngblood Energy Library to better serve today's faculty and students.

Most recently named an "Education Futurist" and recipient of Campus Technology's 2016 Innovators Award, the University of Oklahoma Libraries' award-winning facilities and resources create opportunities for faculty and students to excel in any field. We seek to create excellence in the library experience, to support campus research and data stewardship, to build on the excellence of our special collections, and to promote scholarly communication. We invest in our organization by recruiting individuals committed to superior user experience and by actively strengthening and expanding our skills and capabilities. We invite you to join the OU Libraries in providing access to informational resources that fulfill the academic, research, artistic, scholarly and community leadership objectives of the university.

Required Qualifications

- Bachelors degree in library science or a related field or equivalent experience in technology and operations management.
- Minimum of two years of recent experience in collection management, reference, or instruction in an academic, research, or public library or comparable setting.
- Understanding of the academic library's role in research, teaching and learning and knowledge of higher education and curriculum and an understanding of the role of new and emerging technologies on the ongoing development and evolution of new library services and digital scholarship.
- Understanding of the professional literature, research and data life cycles, and research trends within specific disciplines and the ability to use this understanding to serve faculty and students in a research library setting.
- Demonstrated ability to build and sustain effective interpersonal relationships and work collaboratively in a diverse and fast-paced environment.
- Demonstrated creative and innovative problem-solving skills and a strong commitment to service excellence.

- Ability to take initiative, be self-directed, and demonstrate a commitment to innovation and creativity.
- Strong organizational, project, and time management skills to lead multiple projects.
- Strong oral and written communication skills.

Preferred Qualifications

- Bachelor's or advanced degree in geology, geography, geophysics, engineering or a related field.
- Advanced degree from an American Library Association-accredited degree program in library or information science.
- Experience developing online subject guides to library resources and/or web content for users.
- Experience teaching students and faculty about library resources and services.
- Evidence of and/or interest in participating in professional development and continuing education activities, professional and scholarly associations, and presenting and publishing on work-related topics.
- Experience providing outreach services to students and faculty.
- Experience supervising employees in an academic library or similar setting.

About OU Libraries, the University of Oklahoma and the Community

OU Libraries is the largest research library in Oklahoma, containing over 6 million volumes and over 4 million other digital and physical resources. The library system consists of the Bizzell Memorial Library, the Library Service Center, and branch libraries for fine arts, architecture, engineering, and geology. We are a member of the Association of Research Libraries, Center for Research Libraries, HathiTrust, Council on Library and Information Resources, Greater Western Libraries Alliance, and the Western Storage Trust. OU Libraries has a total staff of 163 FTE.

The Laurence S. Youngblood Energy Library is the busiest of our four branch libraries, averaging more than 13,000 visitors per month during the academic year. Located in the Sarkeys Energy Center, the library is embedded among the Mewbourne College of Earth and Energy faculty and students. The Youngblood Energy Library houses a number of museum-quality fossils and participates in map exchanges with the Oklahoma Geological Survey and depository agreements with the U.S. Geological survey.

As the major research university in Oklahoma and one of the nation's leading public universities, the University of Oklahoma is located in Norman on a beautiful campus that features sculptures, fountains, and colorful gardens and is home to the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art (ranked in the top 5 university art museums in the nation), the Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History (recipient of the National Medal for Museum and Library Service in 2014), and the National Weather Center. Known for its academic excellence and strong sense of community, OU is number one in the United States in the number of National Merit Scholars enrolled among public universities. Conveniently located approximately 20 miles south of Oklahoma City, Norman provides a friendly, small-town atmosphere that offers affordable living coupled with a vibrant array of on-campus cultural and athletic events.

Norman is the 3rd largest city in Oklahoma with a population of over 120,000. It boasts a small-town feel with convenient metropolitan access and offers exceptional museums, performing arts, colorful galleries, boutique shopping, fabulous restaurants, three-nearby casinos, four golf courses, exciting nightlife, and the natural beauty of Lake Thunderbird or local parks. Norman is also frequently recognized in national media outlets as being a great place to live.

- *Time Money* magazine named Norman one of the best places to live, and the #1 least expensive city to raise a child
- Forbes Magazine ranks the Norman as one of the Top College Sports Towns.
- Cleveland County was placed #3 on Businessweek.com's America's Best Affordable Places List.
- Norman has been named a Bicycle Friendly Community by the League of American Bicyclists.

Salary and title commensurate with experience. Full-time position; excellent benefits and professional development support. To apply, go to <https://jobs.ou.edu> and search job #170716.

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