School of Education Graduate Assistant for W&M Libraries

Position Overview
The School of Education Graduate Assistant for W&M Libraries is primarily responsible for using data, research tools such as library and other university databases, and consulting with institutional departments across campus to research existing metrics of faculty productivity. S/he will also explore potential opportunities to implement and effect more efficient and/or accurate ways to demonstrate that output. Finally, the incumbent will also be learning about and working with issues and potential solutions for textbook affordability such that W&M students will have access to course materials at reduced cost compared to current cost.

Libraries Mission
William & Mary Libraries support and enhance teaching and research and foster intellectual curiosity, creativity and lifelong learning.

Position Type
☐ Masters Level  ☒ Full-time (20 hours/week)
☒ Doctoral Level  ☐ Part-time (10 hours/week)

Compensation / Benefits
- This assistantship qualifies a full-time student for the 2019-20 in-state tuition waiver.
- Total financial package = In-state tuition + $10,000 stipend

Position Elements
☒ Mostly 9 a.m.-5 p.m. work  ☐ Occasional night/evening work
☐ Frequent night/evening work  ☐ Weekend work: Sometimes
☐ Hires student workers  ☐ Supervises / evaluates student workers
☐ Frequent student interaction  ☐ Leads training sessions for students
☐ Advises individual students  ☐ Advises student organizations
☐ Budget management  ☐ Event/program management
☐ Individual work space  ☒ Shared work space
☒ Independent work  ☒ Collaborative / group work
☒ Conference/workshop funding available  ☐ May take internship at same time as GA
☒ Opportunity for committee work  ☐ Opportunity for summer employment
Job Responsibilities

- Establish relationships with offices relevant to research on campus (institutional research, Office of Sponsored Programs, accreditation, etc)
- Become very familiar with and mine library database and data tools, as well as data reports to learn about current state of documented faculty productivity.
- Research campus-wide access and implement ORCID IDs for faculty.
- Educate campus about ORCID IDs.
- Seek to more accurately identify W&M staff publishing and implement tools so that they (and W&M) receive appropriate recognition.
- Learn key facts about textbook affordability and work with stakeholders across campus to increase awareness of these issues.

Preferred Qualifications

- Passion for increasing equitable access to scholarship.
- Strong interest in publishing patterns and/or bibliometrics.
- Demonstrated experience working with data sets.
- Extensive experience working with Excel.
- Demonstrated experience in teaching or public speaking.
- Preference for collaboration and teamwork.
- Aptitude for problem solving in partnership with others.

Learning Outcomes

- Describing issues around academic publishing, such as author registration, open access and publishing patterns by field.
- Developing relationships with key players in the university publishing system.
- Understanding textbook affordability issues.
- Managing projects with multiple stakeholders in a complex environment.
- Using data to tell impactful stories around academic publishing.

Direct Supervisor

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Interested applicants are welcome to contact the supervisor with any questions.