

You might be an academic or research librarian if you . . .

Enjoy helping others learn

- Helping students learn to think critically is the most important thing we do as academic librarians. ~ *Marvin J. Taylor*
- It has been a rewarding experience to work closely with students and faculty members and to provide assistance in their intellectual explorations and in their process of knowledge creation. ~ *Sha Li Zang*

Love to learn

- You get to learn and teach without grading. There is no end to what you can contribute or create. ~ *Merrie Davidson*
- What I value most about academic librarianship is the vibrant atmosphere of learning and development. While I am a librarian and assistant professor with teaching responsibilities, I feel that in many ways I am still a student with much to learn as well as to teach. I am very grateful to work with the students, staff and faculty from whom I gain so much. ~ *Julie Ann Portman*

Seek community

- I value the professional association with librarians with such diversity of interests and expertise. ~ *Bonnie Allen*
- I value being part of a vibrant and dynamic community, both on my campus and in the profession. ~ *Catherine Lee*
- Above all, I value the intellectual generosity and support that comes from colleagues. ~ *Lisa Yuro*

Want to build for the future

- I find great delight in contributing to the growth and maintenance of a world-class literature collection that has been decades in the making. ~ *Angela Courtney*
- Our work directly impacts the research of today and the researchers of tomorrow. ~ *Chad Fennell*

Value advancing human knowledge

- We are part of the community that creates new knowledge and new ideas for the advancement of society. ~ *Paul Gherman*
- It is very rewarding and exciting to work collaboratively with a wide variety of scholars in the pursuit of the creation of new knowledge and understanding. ~ *Cecilia Brown*

Seek variety in your daily work

- I enjoy having a variety of responsibilities in reference, instruction, and collection development. ~ *Shari A. Salisbury*
- It's never dull! ~ *Cynthia Steinhoff*

Relish innovating with technology

- I enjoy the challenge of moving our traditional library support into the distance and online learning environment too; it is rewarding to reach out and work with this growing population. ~ *Martha H. Kreszock*
- The expertise and knowledge base on campus . . . has provided me with the opportunity to experiment with new technology and pursue new ideas for the delivery of multimedia and digital information services. ~ *George Abbot*

Have an inquiring mind

- Academic librarianship is for those who are constantly intellectually curious and who can apply that curiosity to efforts that help increase the knowledge base of the institution for research, teaching, and learning. ~ *Camila A. Alire*

Want the best of all possible worlds

- Academic librarianship places me at the heart of teaching, learning, and scholarship. Where else would I want to be? ~ *Marilyn R. Pukkila*
- It's an atmosphere of inquiry and learning, and people are excited about both. ~ *John M. Budd*
- At the end of the day, we can feel good about our work. ~ *Brinley Franklin*

Embrace challenge and change

- I value the opportunity to work with faculty, staff, and students to advance an enterprise committed to higher education and lifelong learning. ~ *Carolyn Sheehy*
- I value the contribution we as librarians and staff make to teaching, learning and research on our individual campuses as well as to the global community of scholars. ~ *Jennifer Younger*