The University of Notre Dame’s Hesburgh Libraries seeks an innovative and collegial individual to bring energy, creativity, expertise, and leadership to the position of Digital Access Librarian. The Digital Access Librarian is responsible for envisioning the information architecture (navigation, content, and context), coordinating user experience activities (usability, user engagement, feedback), and collaborating on the implementation of the web technology (XHTML, CSS, Javascript, Web Scripting Languages) for the Hesburgh Libraries' web presence.

The Digital Access Librarian enhances the functionality and effectiveness of the Libraries websites, as well as key University-wide services in support of teaching, learning, research, and scholarship. The position represents the intersection of information planning and policy and technology implementation with an equal emphasis on:

1) coordinating user experience by engaging internal and external stakeholders through interviews, committees, usability activities, and other feedback mechanisms to ensure that user perspectives are directly embedded in the planning and execution of the websites and web tool design,
2) collaborating on the design, implementation, and management of the website, discovery tools, and web based services using languages such as PERL, PHP, Ruby, CSS, XHTML, Javascript, and other web based programming and markup languages.

The Digital Access Librarian:

- Collaborates in the design, implementation, and management of the Libraries website, discovery tools, and web based services, including responsibility for programming using the web standards and tools currently employed by the Libraries
- Collaborates in the design, implementation, and management of a content management system for the Libraries, including responsibility for configuration, customization, and user support
- Leads the design, implementation, and management of the Libraries' Intranet
- Leads the internal education on deploying web technologies for web content creation, including training internal stakeholders how to write for the web
- Regularly examines the usability of the Libraries' website and conducts usability tests, surveys, focus group interviews, and interprets usage metrics, then collaborates on the design, modification, and implementation of integrating user feedback and website usage into the website, discovery tools, and web based services
- Leads feedback committee(s):
  - one comprised of library stakeholders
  - others involving faculty and students
- Explores the innovative use of new technologies and evaluates their applicability to the Libraries
- Manages the University's search engine, currently a Google Search Appliance
- Manages the campus wiki application
- Monitors trends and best practices in web technology, content management, usability, user engagement, and web based discovery

The Digital Access Librarian reports to the Head of the Web and Information Systems Technology Department. As a member of the University faculty, the Digital Access Librarian is expected to contribute to the profession and stay current with emerging trends in web technology and the library profession.
Required qualifications:

- A strong knowledge and demonstrated application of usability, usability testing, and information architecture concepts
- Demonstrated experience in the deployment of information technologies relevant to Web site design and maintenance such as XHTML, CSS, Javascript, and XML
- A demonstrated understanding of computer programming and the ability to use programming languages such as Perl, PHP, and/or Ruby
- Experience and knowledge of metadata schemas and their application, including the ability to effectively apply metadata in traditional and digital library environments
- An ALA-accredited MLS degree or equivalent combination of education and experience
- Demonstrated excellent written and oral communications skills
- Experience with indexing tools and their application to discovery, relational database applications and the design of relational databases for storing, organizing, and disseminating data and information
- Strong service orientation
- The ability to work effectively in a highly collaborative and team-oriented environment as well as the ability to take a leadership role in group activities

Environment:

The University of Notre Dame is a highly selective national Catholic teaching and research university in northern Indiana about ninety miles from Chicago. Approximately 8,200 undergraduates and 3,100 graduate students pursue a broad range of studies. The University Libraries (<http://www.library.nd.edu>) hold about 3 million volumes and provide access to more than 23,000 serials. The Libraries have 140 staff and 55 librarians. The Libraries is a member of the Academic Libraries of Indiana (ALI), ARL, NERL and other consortia. The University of Notre Dame is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer strongly committed to diversity. We value qualified candidates who can bring a variety of backgrounds to our community.

Salary and Benefits:

Minimum beginning salary $44,000. Appointment salary and rank are competitive, commensurate with experience and qualifications. Librarians are non-tenured track members of the Library Faculty. The University offers an excellent benefits and annual vacation package.

Further details & applications: More information can be found about this position at the Libraries’ website: [http://www.library.nd.edu/about/employment/](http://www.library.nd.edu/about/employment/)

To apply, please include a letter, curriculum vitae and the names, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses of three references. Electronic submission of applications is required. Send all application documents to: mstenber@nd.edu

The review of applications will begin on March 25, 2012 and will continue until the candidates are chosen.

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