NARROWING THE SCOPE

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WHAT IS A LIBRARIAN?



HOW DID I GET HERE?















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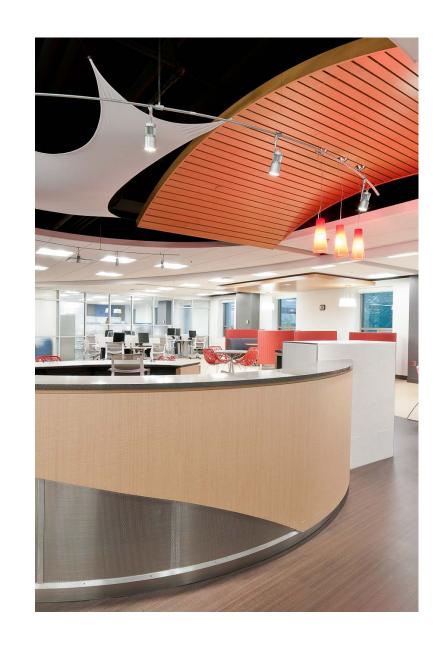
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- Library Marketing
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LIBRARIAN LIFE

Purdue University – 2016 Enrollment: 40,450 Assistant Professor & Business Information Specialist

- Learning (teaching)
- Discovery
- Engagement
- Mentorship



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"ASSISTANT PROFESSOR"

Staff

- Responsible for running the library
- No research/publishing
- Not on equal ground with liaison faculty
- Teaching limited to oneshots/workshops

Faculty

- Tenure track
- Researching, publishing, disseminating required
- Equal to all other faculty on campus
- Teach for-credit courses
- Autonomous work schedule

MAKING THE TRANSITION

Help is here!



MENTORSHIP

Possible Mentors

- Other tenure-track faculty
- Supervisor
- Full professors
- Faculty in other departments
- Formal mentorship

Campus support

- Center for Instructional Excellent
- Provost Office Programs
- Writing Groups

Collaborations

Learn the research and publishing process

READING

Subject Specific Books

- Making Sense of Business Reference:
 A Guide for Librarians and Research Professionals (Ross)
- Business Librarianship and Entrepreneurship Outreach (MacDonald & Kirkwood)

Research Methodologies

- Qualitative Research & Evaluation Methods (Patton)
- The Focus Group Research Handbook (Edmunds)
- Using Focus Groups in Research (Litoselliti)

ASSOCIATIONS

- Business Reference Services Section (BRASS) of Reference and User Services Association (RUSA)
- Business & Finance Division of the Special Libraries Association (SLA)
- United States Agricultural Information Network (USAIN)

ALA Divisions

- American Association of School Librarians (AASL)
- Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS)
- Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC)
- Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL)
- Association of Specialized & Cooperative Library Agencies (ASCLA)
- Library & Information Technology Association (LITA)
- Library Leadership & Management Association (LLAMA)
- Public Library Association (PLA)
- Reference & User Services Association (RUSA)
- United for Libraries
- Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA)

CONFERENCES

- ACRL
- ACLR Immersion
- ALA Midwinter
- CAPAL (hi!)
- Charleston Conference
- Conference for Pre-Tenure Women at Purdue University
- European Academy of Management Conference
- Indiana Conference for Women
- Indiana Library Federation Conference
- International Association of University Libraries (IATUL)
- LibTech
- Midwest Data Librarian Symposium
- Pittsburgh Systematic Review Workshop
- Research Data Alliance
- SI A
- USAIN

International Library Related Conferences https://www.lib.montana.edu/~james/

CONCLUSION

We are librarians because we like to learn.

You can do this!

It's just going to take some work.



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