

Library and Information Science - The University of Western Ontario - Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track) Appointment

Deadline for receipt of applications—February 1, 2012 or until position is filled.

The Library and Information Science program in the Faculty of Information and Media Studies (FIMS) at The University of Western Ontario invites applications for a probationary appointment (tenure-track) at the rank of Assistant Professor. We are actively seeking candidates who will bring new areas of expertise and fresh avenues of investigation to our research profile, and we will also consider those whose research complements existing faculty strengths. We are particularly interested in candidates with a research record and interests in the areas of information policy and public administration, including management and workplace issues as they pertain to librarianship. We are also interested in candidates with strengths or cognate interests in the social context and social uses of information, health information, and LIS advocacy and leadership. Teaching experience or interests in the area of reference and government documents would also be an asset.

Library and Information Science education at FIMS is offered in research-intensive graduate programs, including a new joint program in Health Information Science, that currently house approximately 220 MLIS students and more than 25 PhD candidates. Founded upon interdisciplinarity, creative inquiry, critical thinking, and the interweaving of theory and practice in professional and scholarly contexts, the graduate programs in LIS are committed to the expansion, adaptation, and application of the knowledge base of librarianship to the problems and challenges posed by current information environments. Information about the Faculty and descriptions of its courses are available at <http://www.fims.uwo.ca>. The Faculty of Information and Media Studies is one of eleven academic Faculties in The University of Western Ontario, one of Canada's foremost research intensive Universities.

The normal teaching workload in FIMS is four half-courses per academic year. Applicants should have a PhD completed or nearing completion in LIS or a related discipline, and appointments will commence on July 1, 2012

Interested candidates are invited to send their curriculum vitae, sample publications, names and addresses of three references or three letters of reference, and a cover letter outlining their interest in the position by February 1, 2012 to:

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Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. The University of Western Ontario is committed to employment equity and welcomes applications from all qualified women and men, including visible minorities, aboriginal people and persons with disabilities.