UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN

For over 50 years, Thompson Rivers University (TRU) has taken pride in providing an excellent education to students with a variety of backgrounds and perspectives who are at various stages of their learning journey. TRU is a comprehensive, learner-centred, environmentally responsible institution that serves its regional, national, and international learners and their communities through high quality and flexible education, training, research and scholarship. From traditional academics to trades, from certificates to graduate degrees, TRU offers students a choice from over 140 on-campus programs and 60 online or by distance. More than 28,500 students study on campuses in Kamloops, Williams Lake and regional centres throughout the Interior, or through Open Learning in distance or online courses and programs. Research, creation and innovation thrive in TRU’s open, flexible learning environment.

As the Library’s chief academic and administrative officer, the University Librarian is responsible to the Provost and Vice-President Academic for providing visionary leadership in creating a learner-centred library environment, directing the Library’s contribution to the teaching and research goals of TRU’s programs and ensuring the TRU community has access to quality resources, services, technologies and professionals in alignment with the mission and vision of TRU.

The successful candidate will be an empathetic, collegial leader who brings a strong commitment to academic librarianship, possesses academic leadership and administrative experience, and have demonstrable knowledge of trends and current issues in academic libraries. The University Librarian will require exceptional leadership and communication skills in order to thrive in a culture that embraces collegiality, consultation and transparency. The University Librarian will be inclusive with highly developed interpersonal skills, and will have respect for and be a champion of equity, diversity and inclusion. The University Librarian will be able to operate strategically, and have a record of professional excellence, scholarly engagement and service to the profession. A strong appreciation for the intellectual and operational diversity across the spectrum of disciplines within TRU is essential. An MLIS/MLS from an American Library Association accredited program (or equivalent) is required.

Thompson Rivers University is strongly committed to hiring based on merit with a focus on fostering diversity of thought within our community. We welcome those who would contribute to the further diversification of our staff, our faculty and its scholarship including, but not limited to, women, Indigenous, black and people of color, persons with disabilities and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity. Please note that all qualified candidates are encouraged to apply, however applications from Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

To learn more about this exciting leadership opportunity, please connect with The Geldart Group at info@thegeldartgroup.com. To apply, please forward your CV, a letter of introduction, and the names and contact information for three referees in strictest confidence to the same email address.