



**Libraries and School of  
Information Studies**

**POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Business Information Specialist**

**Roland G. Parrish Library of Management & Economics**

**Assistant Professor**

Purdue University Libraries welcomes applicants for the position of Business Information Specialist (BIS) at the Parrish Library of Management & Economics. This faculty position offers the chance to teach for-credit courses in both the Libraries and School of Information Studies and the Krannert School of Management and engage with faculty and students in an embedded environment. The BIS is one of three faculty librarians working with the Krannert School of Management, as well as Hospitality & Tourism Management, and entrepreneurship and business programs across campus. We are seeking innovative, confident, and creative applicants committed to teaching, outreach, and research in a dynamic and collaborative environment. A willingness to experiment and innovate is highly valued. As Purdue faculty, this position offers a great deal of academic freedom, and the ability to make this position your own. The tenure process is highly supported, with a well-developed formal mentoring program, as well as informal peer mentorship. Faculty in the Purdue Libraries and School of Information Studies must meet the requirements for promotion and tenure, including Learning, Discovery, Engagement, and Mentorship as outlined here:

<https://www.purdue.edu/provost/faculty/promotionandtenure.html>.

**Successful Candidate Will**

- Develop and teach specialized classes and workshops that incorporate active-learning methods within an experimental education environment and flexible information literacy instruction rooms, optimized to support collaborative and team-based learning.
- Provide in-person, phone, and virtual consultations. Note: This position is not required to staff a reference desk.
- Commitment to diversity and to promoting a multicultural environment for learning.
- Collaborate with Libraries faculty and staff to develop instruction materials.
- Develop interdisciplinary collaborations and research opportunities with faculty in other campus disciplines to meet the University's strategic directions.
- Must meet requirements for promotion and tenure, including demonstration of teaching and librarianship, research and scholarship, engagement in Library and University governance through committee work, and an active role in mentoring, advising, and supporting the academic success of undergraduate students.

## Required Qualifications

- Master's degree in library/information science from an ALA-accredited or equivalent school or an equivalent degree in business administration and management.
- Experience with business research in an academic or corporate library environment.
- Experience or interest in delivering effective information literacy instruction and research-support.
- Excellent communication, interpersonal, and intercultural skills, and the ability to prioritize and adjust in a dynamic environment.

## Preferred Qualifications

- An undergraduate or graduate degree in business, economics, or social sciences, or a certificate in entrepreneurship.
- Familiarity with business databases.
- Experience teaching for-credit courses.
- Developed research agenda.

**Environment:** Purdue University Libraries and School of Information Studies (PULSIS), recipient of the 2015 Award for Excellence in University Libraries from the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL), is at the forefront of academic librarianship and redefining the role of the academic, research library in learning, discovery, and engagement activities of the University. Libraries faculty and staff are deeply involved in information literacy instruction and instructional design, redefining of learning spaces, scholarly communication, data management, and global outreach. PULSIS faculty have expanded their collaborative endeavors with disciplinary faculty in integrating information literacy into the core curriculum.

PULSIS is committed to advancing diversity in all areas of faculty effort, including scholarship, instruction, and engagement.

Purdue University (<http://www.purdue.edu/>), located in West Lafayette, Indiana, in the historic Wabash River valley, is one hour from Indianapolis and two hours from Chicago. Renowned nationally and internationally for its programs in engineering, science, agriculture, and business, the University has over 44,000 students and 16,700 employees. Purdue is a member of the Association of American Universities (AAU), Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU), and the Big Ten Academic Alliance (BTAA). Purdue has the fourth highest enrollment of international students among public U.S. universities, with more than 9,000 undergraduate, professional, and graduate students.

The greater Lafayette area (<http://www.homeofpurdue.com/>) provides diverse cultural, social, and recreational activities.

“Purdue University prohibits discrimination against any member of the University community on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, genetic information, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disability, or status as a veteran.”  
From *Nondiscrimination Policy Statement*, Purdue University  
[http://www.purdue.edu/purdue/ea\\_eou\\_statement.html](http://www.purdue.edu/purdue/ea_eou_statement.html).

**Salary and benefits:**

Salary commensurate with experience in the context of Purdue University's salary structure.

This is a faculty tenure-track position with an academic year (AY) appointment with the potential for summer grants or buy-outs. Rank of assistant or associate professor. Start-up funds in support of research are provided including a half time graduate assistant for two years.

Purdue provides a generous fringe benefit package that includes retirement benefits as well as health, disability and life insurance, and tuition support for employee, children, and spouse. Purdue University is responsive to the needs of dual career couples.

Relocation funding will be available and discussed on a case-by-case basis.

A background check will be required for employment in this position.

**Application process:**

For consideration, submit resume, cover letter and the names and contact information of at least three references and apply online for this faculty position at:

<https://career8.successfactors.com/sfcareer/jobreqcareer?jobId=9339&company=purdueuniv&userName=>

In the cover letter:

- Describe your interest in Business librarianship;
- Address the required qualifications;
- In keeping with PULSIS commitment to advancing diversity in all areas of faculty effort, including scholarship, instruction, and engagement, the cover letter must address at least one of these areas, indicating past experiences, current interests or activities, and/or future goals to promote a climate that values diversity and inclusion.

Nominations for the position will be accepted and should be sent to [libhr@purdue.edu](mailto:libhr@purdue.edu). Review of applications will continue until the position is filled. Questions may be directed to Carole Tolley at 765-494-2899 or the above email address.

***This position announcement will be found at: [www.lib.purdue.edu/about/employment](http://www.lib.purdue.edu/about/employment).***

***Purdue University is an EOE/AA employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply.***