POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Metadata Curator

Organisation Unit: Information Systems and Resources Services
The University of Queensland Library

Position Number: 3043270

Type of Employment: Full time - Fixed Term

Classification: Hew Level 4

THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND

The University of Queensland (UQ) contributes positively to society by engaging in the creation, preservation, transfer and application of knowledge. UQ helps shape the future by bringing together and developing leaders in their fields to inspire the next generation and to advance ideas that benefit the world. UQ strives for the personal and professional success of its students, staff and alumni. For more than a century, we have educated and worked with outstanding people to deliver knowledge leadership for a better world.

UQ ranks well within the top 100 universities worldwide, measured through a number of major independent university rankings: the Academic Ranking of World Universities, Times Higher Education World University Rankings, US News Best Global Universities Rankings, QS World University Rankings and Performance Ranking of Scientific Papers for World Universities, and is indeed in the top 50 in some of these rankings. Over the past 3 years for which audited data are available UQ has attracted the highest (2013) or second highest (2012, 2014) amount of research funding of any Australian university.

UQ has an outstanding reputation for the quality of its teachers, its educational programs and employment outcomes for its students. Our students remain at the heart of what we do. The UQ experience –the UQ Advantage – is distinguished by a research enriched curriculum, international collaborations, industry engagement and opportunities that nurture and develop future leaders. UQ has a strong focus on teaching excellence, winning more national teaching excellence awards than any other in the country and attracting the majority of Queensland’s highest academic achievers, as well as top interstate and overseas students.

UQ is one of Australia’s Group of Eight, a charter member of edX and a founding member of Universitas 21, an international consortium of leading research-intensive universities.

Our 50,000-plus strong student community includes more than 13,000 postgraduate scholars and more than 12,000 international students from 144 countries, adding to its proud 230,000-plus alumni. The University has about 7,000 academic and professional staff and a $1.7 billion annual operating budget. Its major campuses are at St Lucia, Gatton and Herston, in addition to teaching and research sites around Queensland and Brisbane city. The University has six Faculties and four University-level Institutes. The Institutes, funded by government and industry grants, philanthropy and commercialisation activities, have built scale and focus in research areas in neuroscience, biomolecular and biomedical sciences,
sustainable minerals, bioengineering and nanotechnology, as well as social science research.

UQ has an outstanding track-record in commercialisation of our innovation with major technologies employed across the globe and integral to gross product sales of $11billion+ (see http://uniquest.com.au/our-track-record).

UQ has a rapidly growing record of attracting philanthropic support for its activities and will have further success in this area as an important strategic aim going forward.

**Organisational Environment**

The Library is integral to learning, discovery and engagement at The University of Queensland. We provide access to quality scholarly information resources and quality client focused services and spaces to support teaching and research at The University of Queensland. We partner with the UQ and wider community to provide pathways to enrich learning and research.

The Library’s collection is one of the largest academic collections in Australia and by far the largest in Queensland. Annual expenditure on Library materials is approximately $19 million. The collection encompasses more than 2.5 million volumes, a burgeoning online collection of approximately 75,000 distinct journal titles in electronic and/or print format, over 500,000 electronic books and over 1,000 networked databases, as well as manuscripts, microform and pictorial collections.

**Information for Prospective Staff**

Information about life at UQ including staff benefits, relocation and UQ campuses is available at - [http://www.uq.edu.au/current-staff/working-at-uq](http://www.uq.edu.au/current-staff/working-at-uq)

**DUTY STATEMENT**

**Primary Purpose of Position**

The primary purpose of the position is to enable The University of Queensland Library to accurately describe manuscript and other special collection formats (e.g. photographs, letters, diaries and ephemera) which will be used in digital displays.

This person works as part of a team responsible for improved access to special collections in a digital format.

**Duties**

Duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Create, edit and maintain records for digital objects for the institutional repository, UQ eSpace. This includes ensuring relevant bibliographic metadata is accurate and details of rights management are included in the record.

- Assess and upload files according to established guidelines.

- Assist in the development, publication and maintenance of Library documentation.
• Prepare basic statistical reports

• Train staff in required duties and procedures

• Scan documents, process images, produce output files according to established standards for both archival and web use

Other

Ensure you are aware of and comply with legislation and University policy relevant to the duties undertaken, including:

• the University’s Code of Conduct

• requirements of the Queensland occupational health and safety (OH&S) legislation and related OH&S responsibilities and procedures developed by the University or Institute/School

• the adoption sustainable practices in all work activities and compliance with associated legislation and related University sustainability responsibilities and procedures

• requirements of the Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000, the National Code 2007 and associated legislation, and related responsibilities and procedures developed by the University

Organisational Relationships

This position reports to the Digitisation Manager.
SELECTION CRITERIA

Essential

- Diploma of Library and Information Services (Library Technician or equivalent) and relevant work experience or an equivalent combination of relevant experience and education/training
- Excellent organizational, communication and teamwork skills
- Ability to supervise other staff and/or co-ordinate workflows
- Ability to provide an information service to library customers
- Knowledge of automated library systems or comparable information technology / knowledge of or ability to quickly acquire knowledge of specialised software including multimedia software
- Knowledge of, or the ability to quickly acquire knowledge of The University of Queensland Library lending policies and procedures and/or the tools required to access/acquire and process Library materials and construct and maintain database records
- Knowledge of, or the ability to quickly acquire knowledge of, metadata schemas and description of special collection items.
- Demonstrated customer service skills and a commitment to providing a quality customer service.
- Ability to work with minimal supervision.
- Flexibility and adaptability with a willingness to learn new skills.

The University of Queensland values diversity and inclusion and actively encourages applications from those who bring diversity to the University. Please refer to the University’s Diversity and Inclusion webpage (http://www.uq.edu.au/equity) for further information and points of contact if you require additional support.

Accessibility requirements and/or adjustments can be directed to the contact person listed in the job advertisement.