The USF Libraries serve the University of South Florida, with campuses in Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Sarasota-Manatee. In 1960, USF’s founding president, John Allen, referred to the Library as “the heart of the University,” and we pride ourselves on continuing to be at the center of a highly engaged university community today.

Our collective mission is to inspire research, creativity, and learning, partnering with students and globally recognized faculty to produce meaningful, impactful research. Together, we aim to provide the freedom and resources to create a vision for the future.

POSITION AVAILABLE: Qualitative Social Sciences Librarian, Tampa campus

POSITION SUMMARY:

The University of South Florida Libraries, Tampa campus seeks a Qualitative Social Sciences Librarian to serve the areas of Anthropology, Global Studies, Public Affairs, and Women & Gender Studies for the Research & Instruction department on the Tampa campus. The incumbent will demonstrate understanding of the research processes, tools, and methodologies associated with a range of social sciences in order to provide advanced research assistance and increase faculty research impact and visibility. The Qualitative Social Sciences Librarian will participate in the library’s information literacy instruction initiatives and support high impact practices in associated courses and university initiatives. The selected candidate will be a creative and forward-thinking colleague with strong interpersonal skills to expand partnerships across library departments and with colleagues across campuses.

The Qualitative Social Sciences Librarian supports the USF Libraries mission to "inspire research, creativity, and learning by connecting the USF community to relevant and high-quality information." The University Libraries values diversity of thought, perspective, experience, and people and is actively committed to a culture of inclusion and respect. This position reports to the Director for Research & Instruction at the USF Tampa Library and is a member of the Library Faculty.
Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Actively engage with faculty, researchers, and students to understand their research and instruction needs, build collaborations, and promote library services
- Support faculty and student access and use of reference management systems
- Collaborate with USF Libraries Research & Instruction colleagues located on the three USF campuses on various departmental initiatives such as assessment, outreach, and instruction
- Commit to fostering an equitable and inclusive workplace, and work effectively with a diverse faculty, staff, and student population
- Develop a focused program of high-quality research and creative accomplishments consistent with the USF Libraries’ strategic goals
- Actively participate and demonstrate leadership in professional responsibilities that serve the USF Libraries, University, profession, and community

To be successful in this position, candidates will need:

- Instruction and presentation skills
- Interpersonal, oral, and written communication skills
- Commitment to excellent public services and improving the library user experience.
- Familiarity with reference management systems such as Mendeley, EndNote, Zotero, etc.
- Ability to work independently and in a team environment
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills
- Initiative, flexibility, and ability to work creatively

Minimum Qualifications:

- An ALA accredited Master's Degree in Library and Information Science.
- Experience with information literacy instruction
- Undergraduate degree in Anthropology, Global Studies, Public Affairs, Women & Gender Studies or a related field
- Demonstrated capacity for scholarly publications and presentations

Preferred Requirements:

- Experience providing advanced social science research support or advanced study in Anthropology, Global Studies, Public Affairs, Women & Gender Studies or a related field
- Experience with one or more qualitative analysis tools (such as NVIVO, Dedoose, Tagette, etc.)
- Demonstrated ability to collaborate and build partnerships across the library and university

Compensation and academic rank commensurate with experience.

Applications must be submitted through the Careers@USF website, Job ID 29284, and include a cover letter and CV. Please go to www.lib.usf.edu/employment for more information. We are open to all levels of excellence. **USF is an equal opportunity, equal access academic institution that embraces diversity in the workplace.**
The University of South Florida is one of Florida’s three preeminent state research universities and is America’s fastest-rising university (U.S. News & World Report, 2021). Founded in 1956, USF is a relatively young university with rich traditions and opportunities for students, academic excellence, groundbreaking and innovative research, and service to our communities.

USF has earned widespread national recognition for its success in graduating underrepresented minority and limited-income students, at rates equal to or higher than national averages. USF is strongly committed to a culture of equity and inclusion across the institution. These and other core values are captured in the university’s five Principles of Community:

EXCELLENCE WITH EQUITY We affirm the value of excellence. Our essential pursuit of truth and wisdom depends upon fairness and equity. We recognize that individual and collective excellence entails a responsibility to ensure that every member of our community has the opportunity to succeed.

DIVERSITY WITH INCLUSION We affirm the value of diversity, individual dignity, equity, and our common humanity. Diversity of lived experiences, thought, and values enriches our lives and our whole university community. We seek the intentional inclusion of the broadest possible range of these perspectives essential to a university with local, state, national, and global impact.

FREEDOM WITH RESPONSIBILITY We affirm the value of academic freedom and the inherent value of people's right to express themselves respectfully, freely, safely, and with civility. We reject the demeaning acts of bullying, violence, prejudice, and discrimination as they undermine the community we aspire to be.

DIALOGUE WITH RESPECT We affirm the value of evidence and seek perspectives to foster productive communication, dialogue, and constructive disagreement. We listen respectfully and reject language that demeans any member of the community. We embrace differences by learning through open debate in a spirit of curiosity.

TRANSPARENCY WITH ACCOUNTABILITY We affirm the value of a clear and transparent working and learning environment that promotes honesty, fairness, and trust. We commit our time, talents, and resources to building a culture of caring that promotes the integrity of our relationships and the sustainable well-being of the entire community. We are personally responsible, across every level, for treating each other with respect, candor, and accountability.

RANKED #46 AMONG PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS IN U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT (2021)

USF employs more than 16,000 researchers, faculty, staff, and administration

Serves over 50,000 students

Ranked among the TOP TEN institutions in the nation for Top Producer of Fulbright Scholars (The Chronicle of Higher Education)

#15 worldwide for granted U.S. patents among all universities (Intellectual Property Owners Association, 2020)

TOP 60 COOLEST SCHOOLS for sustainability among public institutions (Sierra Club, 2020)

#8 among all U.S. universities for Best Universities for Reducing Inequalities (Times Higher Education, 2020)

USF’s innovation and economic development efforts generate more than $582 MILLION in statewide impact each year

USF IS ACCREDITED BY THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS (SACS)
The University of South Florida is located in the Tampa Bay area with campuses in Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Sarasota-Manatee. Situated along Florida’s gulf coast, the Tampa Bay area is celebrated for sunshine, mild winters, world-renowned beaches, miles of beautiful bay views, and a diverse food scene.

In addition to over 165 parks and beaches, Tampa Bay is home to several museums, theme parks, attractions, and music, art, and cultural festivals, including Busch Gardens, Zoo Tampa at Lowry Park, the Florida Aquarium, the Dali Museum, and the John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art. Sports fans cheer for hometown favorites including the three-time Stanley Cup champions the Tampa Bay Lightning (NHL), two-time Super Bowl champions the Tampa Bay Buccaneers (NFL), the Tampa Bay Rays (MLB), and of course our beloved USF Bulls!

Our rich culture is thanks to our diverse communities, particularly our thriving Hispanic population both in the city and at USF. With deep Cuban roots, Tampa is nicknamed, “Cigar City,” as it was once the cigar capital of the world (our Cuban sandwich is pretty famous, too). The Tampa International Airport has ranked best of U.S. airports, and was most recently named in the top 3 by Condé Nast.

Tampa Bay has a vibrant economy, no state income tax, and is 8% below the national average for cost of living. It is home to some of the best healthcare facilities in the U.S., including H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute (located on the USF Tampa campus) and three hospitals ranked as “America’s Best Hospitals” by U.S. News and World Report.

We welcome you and your family to call Tampa Bay home.