

Yukon University invites you to consider joining the university as their University Librarian, a new senior leadership role that will lead the northern-based, northern-focused university Library.

Yukon University

Through our Whitehorse campus and 12 community campuses across the territory, Yukon University (YukonU) honours and supports Yukon's 14 First Nations, partnering and collaborating on many joint activities and initiatives. YukonU offers degree, diploma and certificate programming across a multitude of disciplines, including trades and university prep coursework. Research is a significant component of YukonU as well; we've achieved top spot for the number of paid student researchers, as compared to similar-sized institutions. Reconciliation and indigenization are paramount values at YukonU. Building relationships with, and responding to, Yukon First Nations needs through programming and research is at the core of our institution. Join us as we continue to build the North. Together we thrive!

The Yukon University Library

The YukonU Library is a bright, welcoming space at the heart of the university's academic work. It provides a comprehensive range of services designed to support learning, teaching, and research for students, staff, faculty, and the public. The Library team is dedicated to helping users navigate information through information literacy workshops, reference services, in-person and online research help appointments, and citation assistance. Additionally, the Library offers support for Open Education Resources (OERs), guidance on copyright and Creative Commons, and assistance in identifying materials for course development. The Library collaborates with other areas of the university, including the Teaching & Learning team and the Research Services Office on workshops for faculty and staff. The Library at YukonU also serves as a gathering space, hosting visiting authors and events and sharing information and knowledge in collaboration with YukonU's School of Liberal Arts and other departments across the university, YukonU's Specialist in Creative Engagement and Expression, Ivan Coyote, the Whitehorse Public Library, and the Yukon Native Language Centre.

YukonU's [Academic Plan](#) recognizes the Library as a key area in the university's success. The plan states that the university will establish the university library as a place that inspires intellectual curiosity and exploration, supporting users to find, evaluate and share information efficiently and effectively.

The Position

Reporting to the Vice-Provost, Academic and Research, and as a member of the senior leadership team and university Senate, YukonU's University Librarian will lead the growth and development of a Northern-based and Northern-focused library that is aligned with YukonU's strategic and academic plans and supports growth in research intensity.

The University Librarian will guide the library's visioning and planning processes, manage library resources, and oversee the library's services, programs and collections. The University Librarian will ensure the university library supports the learning experiences of students at all of YukonU's campuses, and that the university provides high-quality library resources, learning opportunities and services in support of academic programming and activities and the research enterprise. Additionally, as a faculty member, the University Librarian will engage in scholarly activity at YukonU.

Importantly, the University Librarian will be a leader in Indigenization and reconciliation, and in equity, diversity and inclusion within their portfolio. Through their leadership, the University Librarian will inspire the sharing of

information and knowledge in support of the university's programming and activities and will connect YukonU to the broader community through the development of collaborative relationships with other libraries and archives, communities, governments and partners.

The Ideal Candidate

We recognize that no single candidate will possess all of the following qualifications equally. These qualifications will be considered holistically in the assessment of candidates for this position.

As the ideal candidate, you are a skilled, intuitive leader who is committed to information and knowledge access for Canada's North, including Indigenous-led research and data sovereignty. You possess a Master's in Library and Information Sciences (or equivalent) from an ALA-accredited program. As a leader with relevant experience, you lead collaboratively with integrity and actively contribute to fostering a positive and inclusive work culture. You support faculty, staff and students in maintaining and advancing a culture of creativity and excellence in learning and research. You are a library champion who has demonstrated experience supporting information literacy through academic library resources and services, with a passion for learning, knowledge sharing, and contemporary research. You have a demonstrated commitment to reconciliation and Indigenization, both personally and professionally, and you weave this through your work. You have demonstrated knowledge of and experience evaluating and implementing new and emerging innovations, best practices and technologies relevant to library services. As an innovative thinker, you actively and strategically promote the role of the Library across campus and to external partners.

If you are interested in this opportunity, including receiving a copy of the Executive Brief, please contact Katherine Frank at kfrank@kbrs.ca or Lauren Wright at lwright@kbrs.ca, or submit your application online at <http://www.kbrs.ca/Career/17405932185780000008ziK>

Yukon University is committed to removing barriers and fostering the inclusion of voices that have been historically underrepresented or discouraged in our society. In support of our belief that diversity in our staff and faculty enriches the work, learning and research experiences for the entire campus community, we strongly encourage members of the designated groups (Indigenous Peoples, women, persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities, and diverse sexual orientation and gender identities) to apply and self-identify.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

Yukon University and KBRS will provide support in the recruitment processes to applicants with disabilities, including accommodation that takes into account an applicant's accessibility needs. If you require accommodation to participate as a candidate in the recruitment process, please contact accommodate@kbrs.ca or communicate your needs to the recruitment professional named above.