Career Resources for Librarians/Information Professionals

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While doing research for a presentation on “Librarianship as a Second Career,” I discovered a cornucopia of wonderful career resources for librarians. This information is not just for new graduates coming to librarianship from other professions, but also for librarians who have been in the profession for a while. As a recent library school graduate, I was sometimes perplexed by the job titles listed, so I was ecstatic when I discovered “Real Job Titles for Library and Information Science Professionals” by Michelle Mach (http://alexia.lis.uiuc.edu/~mach/realjobs.html), an exhaustive and very helpful list.

Many of the Internet career sites that I visited have listings for both librarians and information professionals, so I used both of those terms in my search. Enjoy exploring these Internet resources. I have included a selected bibliography of career resources articles in print and electronic journals as well as a webliography of career sites on the Internet. The results of your search can be very profitable. I found my present position by using several of these resources!

Selected Bibliography of Print and Electronic Articles on Career Resources for Librarians/Information Professionals


Selected Webliography of Internet Sites on Career Resources for Librarians/Information Professionals

Academic Position Network  
http://www.apnjobs.com  
Employment opportunities in higher education

Access: Networking in the Public Interest  
http://www.communityjobs.org/  
Jobline for internships and career development opportunities in non-profit organizations

Affirmative Action Register  
http://www.aar-eeo.com/  
Office of Equal Employment Opportunity publication directed to females, minorities, veterans, and disabled persons, as well as to other job seekers

ALA Library Education and Employment  
http://www.ala.org/education/  
Career leads from the American Library Association (ALA), the Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL), and the Library and Information Technology Association (LITA)

American Association of Law Librarians  
http://www.aallnet.org/services/hotline.asp  
AALL jobline for law librarians

American Association of School Librarians  
http://www.ala.org/aasl/education_menu.html  
AASL jobline for school library media specialists

American Indian Library Association Newsletter  
http://www.nativeculture.com/lisamitten/aila.html  
AILA jobline for Native American librarians

American Society for Information Science and Technology  
http://www.asis.org  
ASIS&T jobline for information professionals

American Society for Training and Development  
http://www.astd.org/jobs/  
ASTD jobline for educators and information technologists

American Theological Library Association  
http://www.atla.com/member/job_openings.html  
Jobline for librarians in ATLA member institutions

Art Libraries Society/North America JobNet  
http://www.arlisna.org/jobs.html  
ARLIS/NA jobline for art librarians and visual resources personnel

Association for Educational Communications and Technology  
http://www.aect.org/Job/search.html  
AECT jobline for education and technology professionals

Association of Independent Information Professionals  
http://www.aiip.org/  
AIIP jobline for information professionals

Association of Research Libraries Career Resources  
http://db.arl.org/careers/  
ARL jobline for research library positions

Black Caucus of the American Library Association  
http://www.bcala.org/jobs.html  
BCALA jobline for librarians and information professionals

Canadian Library Association  
http://www.cla.ca/careers/Careers.htm  
CLA jobline

Catholic Library Association  
http://www.cathla.org/postings/jobpost.html  
Catholic Library Association jobline

Chinese American Librarians Association  
http://www.cala-web.org/  
CALA jobline

Chronicle of Higher Education Career Network  
http://chronicle.com/jobs/  
Chronicle of Higher Education jobline for academic and research librarians and information professionals

CRS  
http://www.loc.gov/crsinfo/  
Congressional Research Service positions in nonpartisan research and analysis
Current Job Opportunities at the Library of Congress
http://www.loc.gov/hr/employment/jobposts.html
Fellowships, volunteer jobs, and internships available at the Library of Congress

EDUCASE
http://www.educause.edu/jobpost/
EDUCASE jobline, with a focus on positions in higher education

Education Canada
http://educationcanada.com/
Jobline for educational positions in Canada

Employment Opportunities at the National Archives and Records Administration
http://www.archives.gov/careers/employment/employment.html
NARA jobline of volunteer jobs and internships

Employment Opportunities for Archivists in North Carolina
http://rtpnet.org/~snca/employment.html
SNCA jobline for archivist positions in North Carolina

HigherEd Jobs.com
http://www.higheredjobs.com/
Jobline for faculty and staff positions at U.S. colleges and universities

H-Net Job Guide
http://www.matrix.msu.edu/jobs/
Jobline for positions in history, the humanities, and the social sciences

Job-hunt.org
http://www.job-hunt.org/academia.shtml
Jobline for positions in history, the humanities, and the social sciences

LIBJOBS
http://www.ifla.org/IIF/lists/libjobs.htm
International Federation of Library Associations jobline

Librarians Information Online Network
http://www.libraries.phila.k12.pa.us/lion/
Librarians Information Online Network, focusing on needs of K-12 school library media specialists

Library Job Postings on the Internet
http://www.libraryjobpostings.org/
Jobline for library positions across the country in academic and special libraries

Library Mosaics
http://www.librarymosaics.com/
Library Mosaics is a bimonthly magazine with job listings for library and information support staff

LITA
http://www.lita.org/jobs/postings.html
Library & Information Technology Association jobline

Major Orchestra Librarians’ Association
http://www.mola-inc.org/Job%20openings/job_openings.htm
MOLA jobline for orchestral librarians

MLA News
http://www.mlanet.org/jobs/jobs.html
MLA jobline for medical library positions

Museum Careers
Jobline for museums, science centers, and cultural heritage organizations nationwide

Museumjobs.com
http://www.museumjobs.com/
Jobline for positions in museum, libraries, archives, and galleries worldwide

Music Library Association
http://www.musiclibraryassoc.org/
MLA jobline for music librarians

REFORMA
http://latino.sscnet.ucla.edu/library/reforma/burnsduffy
REFORMA (National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish-Speaking) jobline

Research Library Residency & Internship Program
http://www.arl.org/carerecruiter/index.asp
ARL jobline for residency programs and internships in academic and research libraries nationwide

State Library Web Sites
http://www.dpi.state.wi.us/dpi/dlcl/pld/statelib.html
Register of Web sites for state libraries nationwide

The Private School Employment Network
http://www.privateschooljobs.com/jobpage.html
Job line for teaching, administrative, and library positions in private schools

The Riley Guide
http://www.rileyguide.com/info.html
Jobline for positions in library science and information management

The Society of American Archivists
http://www.archivists.org/employment/index.asp
Jobline for national and international archival positions

USA Jobs
http://www.usajobs.opm.gov/a.htm
Jobline for professional, administrative, and technical positions nationwide