BOARD OF REGENTS LOUIS: The Louisiana Library Network Affordable Learning Program Administrator

The LOUIS: The Louisiana Library Network is located within the Board of Regents. LOUIS is a consortium of 47 public and private college and university libraries in the state of Louisiana. This partnership was formed in 1992 by the library deans and directors at these institutions, in order to create a cost-effective collaboration among the institutions for the procurement of library technology and resources. The individual appointed to this position will report to the BoR Associate Commissioner for LOUIS.

Responsibilities include:

- Implementing the statewide Affordable Learning (ALL) Plan developed by the Board of Regents in conjunction with LOUIS: The Louisiana Library Network and the eLearning Task Force
- Leading statewide institutional development on locating and adapting OER including the establishment of a peer review and evaluation process to ensure quality control. To help facilitate the use of OERs, the coordinator will explore incorporating new applications for OERs into courseware
- Developing initiatives around the synergistic merging of library and open content resources, advocacy for these resources adoption in the curriculum, identifying partners and fostering collaborative opportunities for affordable learning solutions, and developing strategies for engagement with faculty and in other developing program areas
- Developing and maintaining a website or other system which focuses on Louisiana Affordable Learning projects, resources and data, and maintaining a list of the faculty/disciplines that have adopted an OER for each college.
- Tracking the savings from adoption of OERs and curriculum driven acquisitions of eBooks and eTextbooks
- Assisting in developing and managing programs that support open publishing models (e.g. faculty or student journals, open eBooks)
- Advocating for OER and affordable learning by engaging in events, conferences, and social media outlets including conducting and participating in campus site visits, training sessions, and meetings for user groups, task forces and committees
- Supporting maintenance, user front-end interfaces, and user experience for the Louisiana Affordable Learning OER repository and other related tools
- Serving as an OER and eTextbook mentor and trainer for the LOUIS team and member campuses

Minimum Qualifications:

- Baccalaureate degree earned from a regionally accredited institution
- Experience in rights management and knowledge of current issues and trends in open education, open textbooks, open access, intellectual property, Creative Commons, copyright and fair use
- Project management with diverse work groups including faculty, students, staff, administrators and outside constituents
- Experience with using and managing web-based technologies such as blogs, web-based learning management systems, or e-portfolios
- Experience or demonstrated skills in classroom instruction, instructional design, pedagogy, and teaching with technology
- Skilled in collaborative decision-making and have strong interpersonal skills to work effectively as part of a team working with culturally, socioeconomically, and geographically diverse faculty, students, and staff
- Highly developed written and oral communication skills including excellent presentation skills
- Experience in selecting, evaluating and procuring technology
- Valid Louisiana driver's license and ability to travel
- Fluency in English, written and verbal
- Ability to lift and carry at least 30 pounds

Preferred Qualifications:

- ALA accredited Master's degree or other terminal degree in a subject area
- Familiarity with grant writing
- Experience in software tool or application development
- Coursework in or experience with quantitative and qualitative research and related software applications
- Prior record of publishing research findings in professional publications and making formal presentations at professional meetings