Emergent Trends & Technology Educator (SWON Libraries) - Blue Ash, OH

Organization: SWON Libraries
Date Posted: 11/6/2019
City: Cincinnati
Location: Ohio
Country: United States
Primary Category: Other
Salary: $38,000.00 yearly
Type of Position: Full-Time
Education Requirement: Bachelor's Degree
Experience Requirement: 3-5 years
About SWON Libraries

SWON Libraries formed in 1973 as the "Greater Cincinnati Library Consortium" (GCLC) when a group of library directors in Southwest Ohio and Northern Kentucky wanted a vehicle for pooling resources, sharing knowledge, and collaborating to better serve their patrons. We continue that mission today as one of the State Library of Ohio's Regional Library Systems by providing continuing education to our members in Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana.

Job Duties

- Develop and deliver programs and materials serving the needs of staff and patrons in libraries of all types (academic, public, elementary and special). This includes the production of webinars as well as face-to-face programs.
- Ongoing research to keep SWON staff and employees of member libraries up to date on the changing role of technology in libraries.
- Provide one-on-one instruction to library staff and library patrons on technology issues.
- Develop and manage SWON's "Tech to Lend" Program; including the operation and maintenance of our tech collection (such as 3-D printers, coding toys, laptops and tablets, crafting equipment and other makerspace-style tools), the development of lesson plans and programming guides based on these items, and guidance and support for our members using the tech.
- Interact with a variety of software platforms including SWON’s Tech to Lend catalog, website, content management/e-commerce system, and streaming video software.
- As a vital member of a small team, the Technology Educator undertakes additional duties as needed, including social media marketing, weekly newsletter production, set up and tear down of workshops and events, and serving as a staff liaison for appropriate special interest groups.
- SWON believes strongly in continuing professional development and will, wherever we can, provide time and resources to explore personal interests and projects.

Skills/Qualifications

- Bachelor’s degree in Education, Information Science, Business, IT or other related area.
- 2-3 years demonstrated experience in maintaining, operating, and troubleshooting makerspace-style software and equipment including 3D printers, electronics, virtual reality, sewing and other fabrication machines, and much more. This list is not comprehensive. Please see [swonlibraries.org/techlending](http://swonlibraries.org/techlending) for examples of the type of technology we’d like to see familiarity with. We do not expect experience and competence with all of our technology; we do require a demonstrated aptitude and willingness to quickly learn.

- 2-3 years’ demonstrated experience in instruction or presentation to end-users who may have no previous experience with programming and tools.

- Passionate and knowledgeable about the use of technology to support creative, engaged learning.

- Good aptitude for self-directed learning and the ability to work independently, without supervision.

- Ability to work both as an active team member and on solo projects.

- Valid driver’s license with acceptable driving record.

- Ability to travel through our 20-county region of Southwest Ohio and Northern Kentucky.

- Ability to lift 40 pounds.

- 2-3 years’ experience in curriculum development preferred.

- Experience with social media preferred.

- Experience with HTML or simple coding languages preferred.

**Time Commitment**

- Full time
- Hours: 9:00 – 5:00 Monday – Friday with occasional evenings or weekends

**Salary**

$38,000.00/yr + benefits

**How to Apply / Contact**
Send resume and cover letter to:

Gayle Ecabert
Executive Director
apply@swonlibraries.org

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.