

## ***Roles and Responsibilities***

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- oversees budgets for library materials including but not limited to: online databases, research materials, collections of print
- manage staff and teams of your very own
- collaboration projects with multiple different departments
- curating and collecting materials and information for faculties
  - assists and leads library workshops for classes and students on citation and research

## ***Qualifications***

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1. Bachelors Degree
2. Bachelor of Education (BEd)
3. Masters of Education (MEd) (Not required but recommended)
4. Masters of Information Studies or Other Librarian Courses
5. Library Placement

Additionally, getting first-hand experience in the field can also be seen as extremely beneficial experience.



## ***Career Description***

Essentially, a librarian is someone who works in a library environment in a variety of settings consisting of public libraries, schools, museums, archives etc.

Librarians are an essential part of the community providing resources, innovation, and information.

# **Career of a Librarian**

## A Typical Day

- there's a constant stream of different projects that you'll be working on on a day-to-day basis
- working as a librarian at a post-secondary institution allows the opportunity for you to teach and conduct your own research
- plenty of group departmental work
- librarians often end up bringing home work and projects to finish up after hours (while not required, some projects take much longer, or need to be reworked)
- works with and liaises with other librarians and libraries in other facilities
- oversee and manage your staff



## Did you know?

There are more careers to being a library staff other than a librarian. Here are some examples:

- Scholarly Analytics Librarian
- Acting director of digital scholarship in infrastructure
- Reading program staff
  - youth hub volunteer
  - director of open scholarship programs

## The Challenges

There are many challenges associated with this role. They include finding a work/life balance, dealing with office drama and work in groups with others. While it may not be easy to work with others it is extremely important in the role. Some other challenges include having a very heavy workload and ensuring all your work is perfect and meets company standards.

## The Benefits

Some benefits of this role include working in a positive environment and always having a variety of work to complete. This role allows you to work with students daily and teach them things not taught in a classroom. Working in an academic library gives you the opportunity to research and publish different literary work.