2018: Use of Library Jobline Jumps Again

Postings for library jobs continued to rise in 2018, according to LRS’s popular library job posting website, LibraryJobline.org. In 2018, 815 jobs were posted—the most ever since the service’s launch in 2007. Average hourly salaries for Academic ($23.28) library positions remained steady, while Public ($21.98) library positions dropped slightly. The average hourly salary for School libraries ($22.37) rose again and has recovered from its low in 2015 ($16.62). Read on to learn more about how the rest of 2018 shaped up.

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LIBRARY JOBLINE TRENDS

Jobs Posted Each Year

Average Starting Wages

$30.00

$24.58 MLIS required

$19.69 MLIS preferred

$14.65 MLIS not required

$26.01

$24.55

$18.46

WAGES FOR LIBRARY POSITIONS HAVE INCREASED SINCE 2009

MLIS required + 6%

MLIS preferred + 25%

MLIS not required + 26%

OTHER SALARY RESOURCES

$28.39 2018 librarian estimated hourly median pay, Bureau of Labor Statistics

$25.07 2018 new MLIS graduate median pay, Library Journal Placements & Salaries survey

REQUIREMENTS & PREFERENCES

When posting jobs on Library Jobline, employers have the option of specifying whether they prefer or require that applicants meet certain criteria. Here we’ve outlined the percentages in which employers indicated the criteria below.

1. Among those postings that specified a degree requirement and a starting wage.


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