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COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT LIBRARIAN, BLEGEN LIBRARY, ASCSA

The American School of Classical Studies at Athens (ASCSA) invites applications for the position of Collection Development Librarian for the Carl W. Blegen Library in Athens. The American School of Classical Studies at Athens (ASCSA) is one of the world's leading research and teaching institutions dedicated to the advanced study of all aspects of Greek culture, from antiquity to the present day. Founded in 1881, the ASCSA provides graduate students and scholars from 197 affiliated North American colleges, universities, and research institutions a base for research and study in Greece. The ASCSA operates two major research libraries in Athens (the Blegen Library and the Gennadius Library), supports archaeological research and excavations in the Ancient Agora of Athens, in Corinth, and elsewhere in Greece, and disseminates information about its research through an active publications program.

The ASCSA is a primary resource for American and international graduate students and scholars in Hellenic studies, from antiquity to the present day. The Blegen Library is a non-circulating library dedicated to the entire field of classical antiquity, with special emphasis on the language, literature, art, history and archaeology of Greece, with over 102,000 volumes, *ca.* 700 print periodical subscriptions, and *ca.* 500 electronic subscriptions. The library primarily serves a constituency of North American students and scholars, and there is a large group of international library users, including many Greek scholars.

Key responsibilities of the Collection Development Librarian of the Blegen Library are as follows:

- Undertakes the selection and acquisition of materials and the development of the collection in all languages and all formats.
- Provides research assistance to members of the American School of Classical Studies and visiting researchers who are library users.
- Works closely with colleagues to ensure timely and uninterrupted access to the entire library collection for members and readers.
- Manages the Library's approval plans and publications exchange program.
- Discusses with the Head Librarian all matters relating to collection development, maintenance and preservation and participates in the development of relevant policies.

Position requirements:

- Advanced degree in Greek archaeology, classics or history (M.A. or higher) with a specialization in ancient Greece or equivalent credentials.
- Appropriate experience in an academic research library highly desirable, including degree in library science.
- Fluency in English, speaking and reading knowledge of Modern Greek; knowledge of Ancient Greek and Latin and the languages of scholarly research (German, French, Italian, etc.).
- Familiarity with bibliographic tools available for researchers in the field and knowledge of scholarly publishing in the U.S. and Europe.
- Understanding of unique needs of a graduate research library and familiarity with digital content management issues.
- Demonstrated skills and experience in relevant information technology, including its use and management, and possessing a comprehensive understanding of the technology-driven information environment.
- Strong organizational and communication skills and the ability to work both independently and as part of a team.

The position is full-time. Salary competitive. Generous benefits package. Successful candidate must live and work in Athens, Greece.

Send a letter of application, a *curriculum vitae*, and three confidential letters of reference to Maria Tourna, Acting Head Librarian for the Blegen Library, American School of Classical Studies at Athens, 54 Soudias Street, GR-106-76 Athens, Greece or email application to mtourna.blegen@ascsa.edu.gr .

Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

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