

Practicum for Library Graduate Student for Library Instruction and Assessment (Summer 2026)

About the Program

The UNT Libraries offers a practicum to a library or data analysis graduate student for collection assessment experience by working with the Collection Assessment Librarian in the Collection Assessment Department.

Position Description

As a practicum student, you will work closely with the Collection Assessment Librarian developing reports in Power BI, Excel, and other platforms, as well as looking for trends in assessment data. You may also be developing end-user interfaces to share other reports, including using LibGuides, MS Power Platform, and similar tools. While your work with the Collection Assessment Librarian will be your primary focus, you will also receive training in data analysis, collection assessment, and data storytelling.

Your practicum will culminate in the publication of a report in Power BI, as well as a presentation of your assessment work to the library staff.

Position Responsibilities

Data Visualization

- Become familiar with the available data sets relevant to the report to be developed.
- Gather user requirements for the report to be developed.
- Develop report based on user requirements and available data.
- Refine and document the data model used in the final report.
- Demonstrate the final report to potential users.

Analysis

- Analyze the data in the report, generating insights that could be useful for collection development purposes.
- Report insights in presentation to the library staff.

Hours and Location

The working schedule is negotiable, based on practicum requirements, and must take place Monday – Friday between 9 am and 5 pm in the Library Annex, which is located just west of the main UNT campus off of Airport Road.

Minimum Qualifications

You must be enrolled in your practicum and have prior relevant experience. You should also possess these qualifications:

- You must be a student receiving practicum course credit through your college/university.
- Significant coursework completed in library science, information sciences, or data analytics.
- Prior relevant experience in data analysis or data management.
- Effective interpersonal and communication skills
- Willingness to acquire new skills in a rapidly changing environment

Preferred Qualifications

- Experience with building charts or diagrams.
- Demonstrated interest in data analysis or storytelling with data.

Compensation

This is an unpaid professional practicum.

Contact for More Information

This position is under the supervision of the Collection Assessment Librarian. Applicants that apply by May 15, 2026, will be given preference.

If interested, please send your CV or resume and cover letter to Karen Harker at karen.harker@unt.edu .