ASK ELLEN – info about jobs outside of traditional library settings

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This question (paraphrased) was from a prospective student.

Q: What are some resources for information about jobs outside of traditional library settings, for those with an MLS?

A: Here’s some information on different kinds of work for those who have an MLS:


“Success Stories” on “I Need a Library Job” website: these brief interviews with information professionals who have found work recently highlight their job search strategies and show a range of different types of work using the skills of an MLS-holder: http://inalj.com/?cat=141 (also, on the right side of each page on that site, is a list of keywords for info-pro job hunters, which also give an idea of different types of work that can be done with the MLS).

Article from http://librarycareersny.org/ on opportunities outside the traditional library: http://libcareer32.nysed.gov/careers/non-library-careers.html (has links to more resources too, including this wonderful article from Library Journal: http://www.libraryjournal.com/article/CA605244.html )

You can also search job postings by skills, rather than titles and without using the word “library” as a search term.

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Thank you and good luck!

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