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The role of academic librarian is far from cut-and-dried. For starters, there are the numerous job classifications: staff or professional employment, full faculty status, various forms of tenure, continuing contract, and/or promotion through academic ranks. While every academic librarian works to meet the research needs of an institution's faculty and students, many are expected to assume other obligations as part of a faculty or tenure system-including publication, research, service, and professional activities. If this were not enough to test a librarian's mettle, the widely varying academic focuses and cultures of college and university libraries almost certainly will. *The Successful Academic Librarian*, expertly edited by academic librarian, writer, and speaker Gwen Meyer Gregory, is an antidote to the stress and burnout that almost every academic librarian experiences at one time or another. In this helpful book, Gregory and nearly 20 of her peers and mentors take a practical approach to a full range of critical topics facing the profession. Their advice, war stories, tips, techniques, and inspiration will help you thrive in your academic library career.