

Assistant Professor of Practice, Criminology

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Department Sociology

Department Website Link <https://sociology.arizona.edu/>

Medical Sub-Speciality

Location Main Campus

Address Tucson, AZ USA

Position Highlights

The School of Sociology at the University of Arizona invites applications for a career-track Assistant Professor of Practice position to teach and provide administrative leadership in our Criminology program beginning August 2025. The School of Sociology offers online and Main Campus minors in Criminology that provide undergraduates at the University of Arizona with education, training, and applied experiences in Criminology-related professions. We also aspire to develop a major in Criminology.

The primary responsibilities of this academic year (9 month) career-track Assistant Professor of Practice include: teaching core and elective courses in our Criminology minor programs; providing administrative leadership and bringing innovative energy to the Criminology program; promoting student success; and providing and expanding opportunities for professional training that will help students prepare for careers in

Criminology-related professions. This renewable career-track appointment is not eligible for tenure. During the interview process, candidate presentations and/or teaching demonstrations may be video recorded and subsequently reviewed by faculty unable to attend candidate interviews.

The School of Sociology supports Inclusive Excellence. Many students in the Criminology programs are first-generation college students and come from a broad array of backgrounds. The University of Arizona was the first four-year public university in Arizona recognized as a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI). As a land-grant HSI, the University is committed to responsibly meeting the educational needs of the vibrant and increasingly diverse communities of Arizona.

Outstanding UA benefits include health, dental, vision, and life insurance; paid vacation, sick leave, and holidays; UA/ASU/NAU tuition reduction for the employee and qualified family members; access to UA recreation and cultural activities; and more!

The University of Arizona has been recognized for our innovative work-life programs. For more information about working at the University of Arizona and relocations services, please [click here](#).

Duties & Responsibilities

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Instruction involves teaching a 3/4 course load during the academic year (Fall/Spring), or perhaps 3/3 with one course taught in the summer. Courses to be taught include but are not limited to SOC 342 Criminology, SOC 341 Juvenile Delinquency, and Criminology minor elective courses (described here). Additional courses will be developed based on the expertise of the successful candidate. Instruction modalities include both online and in-person courses. Other non-traditional classroom teaching duties may include directing the SOC 393 Internship and SOC 499 Independent Study courses as well as supervising Honors College theses.

Summer instruction for additional pay is also possible.

Service includes providing vision and programmatic leadership for the Criminology programs' continued

growth and development. This service includes but is not limited to:

- Promoting the programs on and off campus
- Exploring opportunities to create new Criminology programs in the School of Sociology
- Innovating the Criminology curriculum, keeping it current and in line with employment trends and employers' needs
- Providing mentorship and guidance for students seeking careers in Criminology-related professions
- Working with university and college efforts to recruit students to the Criminology programs and promote the opportunities, events, and accomplishments of our students and faculty
- Developing annual course schedules in collaboration with the Director of Undergraduate Studies, School Manager, and School Director
- Working closely with all Criminology instructors, including faculty on the Tenure and Career tracks, adjunct instructors, and Sociology PhD students
- Working with regional employers to identify opportunities for collaborations such as internship placements, service-learning opportunities, and professionalization seminars
- Recruiting adjunct lecturers for Criminology-related courses when needed

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- Commitment to innovative leadership and program growth
- Demonstrated excellence in teaching, student support, mentorship, and career counseling
- Excellent communication skills and commitment to working collaboratively and proactively with teams of faculty, staff, graduate, and undergraduate students

Minimum Qualifications

- Ph.D. in Sociology, Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law & Society, or related social science or interdisciplinary field by time of appointment
- Must reside in southern Arizona

Preferred Qualifications

- Experience using a variety of teaching methods and/or curricular perspectives to respond to the needs of a diverse student body at the undergraduate level
- Experience with curricular/program management

Rank

Assistant Professor

Tenure Information

Career-Track (CT)

FLSA	Exempt
Full Time/Part Time	Full Time
Number of Hours Worked per Week	40
Job FTE	1.0
Work Calendar	Academic
Job Category	Teaching Faculty
Benefits Eligible	Yes - Full Benefits
Rate of Pay	DOE
Compensation Type	salary at 1.0 full-time equivalency (FTE)
Type of criminal background check required:	Name-based criminal background check (non-security sensitive)
Number of Vacancies	1
Target Hire Date	8/18/2025
Expected End Date	
Contact Information for	Contact: Diego F. Leal
Candidates	dfic@arizona.edu
Open Date	1/31/2025
Open Until Filled	Yes
Documents Needed to Apply	Curriculum Vitae (CV), Cover Letter, and Two Additional Documents

Special Instructions to Applicant

Documents Needed to Apply

- **Curriculum Vitae (CV)**
- **In the Cover Letter slot submit a Teaching Portfolio, including at minimum a Statement on Teaching, Examples of Course Syllabi, and Teaching Evaluations**

- **Names and contact information for three professional references (letters of recommendation will be requested from letter writers after shortlisted applicants submit their materials)**

Diversity Statement

At the University of Arizona, we value our inclusive climate because we know that diversity in experiences and perspectives is vital to advancing innovation, critical thinking, solving complex problems, and creating an inclusive academic community. As a Hispanic-serving institution, we translate these values into action by seeking individuals who have experience and expertise working with diverse students, colleagues, and constituencies. Because we seek a workforce with a wide range of perspectives and experiences, we provide equal employment opportunities to applicants and employees without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or genetic information. As an Employer of National Service, we also welcome alumni of AmeriCorps, Peace Corps, and other national service programs and others who will help us advance our Inclusive Excellence initiative aimed at creating a university that values student, staff and faculty engagement in addressing issues of diversity and inclusiveness.

Notice of Availability of the

In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act

Annual Security and Fire Safety

(Clery Act), each year the University of Arizona releases an **Annual Security Report (ASR)** for each of the

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University's campuses. These reports disclose information including Clery crime statistics for the previous three calendar years and policies, procedures, and programs the University uses to keep students and employees safe, including how to report crimes or other emergencies and resources for crime victims. As a campus with residential housing facilities, the Main Campus ASR also includes a combined Annual Fire Safety report with information on fire statistics and fire safety systems, policies, and procedures.

Paper copies of the Reports can be obtained by contacting the University Compliance Office

at cleryact@arizona.edu.

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