

Criminal Justice – Assistant Professor/Instructor (Fixed Term)
School of Criminal Justice
Michigan State University

The School of Criminal Justice (SCJ) at Michigan State University invites applications for up to two 9-month fixed-term teaching positions in our baccalaureate and master's degree programs at the Assistant Professor rank beginning August 16, 2025. The position is for one academic year, with the strong possibility of renewal based on performance. Michigan State University is the pioneer land-grant institution located in East Lansing, Michigan. The SCJ is a national leader in criminal justice and criminology research and education. Housed in the College of Social Science, the SCJ has 23 faculty members, including several with joint appointments in academic units and centers across the university. Currently, there are over 1,200 students enrolled in the SCJ's doctoral, masters, and baccalaureate degree programs. The School's faculty is committed to excellence in teaching, research, and scholarship befitting a major research university (see the School's website at: <http://cj.msu.edu/>). True to the pioneering land-grant mission of Michigan State University, the School has a strong and proud tradition of both advancing and translating knowledge into practice and policy through engagement with local, state, national and international partners in both public and private sectors. The School's faculty, academic specialists, and outreach specialists are highly active in securing and implementing external grants and contracts to advance its mission.

The successful candidate will be expected to teach three courses per semester or a total of six courses for the academic year, engage in service activities in the university, and to advance student learning in directed readings, independent study, or mentorship if assigned. A Ph.D. in criminology or criminal justice, or in a relevant social science field, such as economics, political science, psychology, public health, sociology, or social work is required for the Assistant Professor rank, a masters degree is required for the rank of Instructor. Candidates must have completed their degree prior to the position start date and must have a demonstrated record of teaching and/or significant work experience in areas related to the teaching assignment. Preference will be given to candidates with experience teaching undergraduate or graduate students in face-to-face format. Starting salary for those with a PhD conferred by time of appointment will be \$75,000.

Review of applications will begin on January 6, 2025, and will continue until the position is filled. Please submit: 1) letter of application that includes a description of professional experience, expertise, professional goals, approach to creating an inclusive learning environment, and teaching philosophy; 2) curriculum vitae; and, 3) three letters of reference. Electronic submission is required through the MSU Applicant Page (MAP) at jobs.msu.edu, posting #888485. Inquiries may be directed to the chair of the search committee, Chris Melde, at melde@msu.edu.

MSU is an affirmative-action, equal-opportunity employer. MSU is committed to achieving excellence through a diverse workforce and inclusive culture that encourages all people to reach their full potential. The University actively encourages applications and/or nominations of women, persons of color, veterans and persons with disabilities.