

Assistant/ Associate Professor of Trustworthy AI (Tenure Track/Tenured, F0641A1) Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice Old Dominion University

The Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice at Old Dominion University (ODU) invites applicants for an Assistant/ Associate Professor position to begin in Fall 2025. This is a tenured/tenure track appointment as part of a multiple position hiring initiative for Trustworthy AI. This cluster hire is part of ODU's Centennial Cluster Initiative which supports the expansion of transdisciplinary research efforts by prioritizing the hiring of multiple faculty positions targeting specific research areas. The Trustworthy AI cluster hire involves interdisciplinary collaboration among Department of Sociology & Criminal Justice, School of Cybersecurity, and Department of Computer Science, and builds on existing interdisciplinary strengths at ODU.

We are seeking a criminologist or sociologist to teach existing courses, online and on campus, in our undergraduate programs in Criminal Justice and the Ph.D. in Criminology & Criminal Justice (https://catalog.odu.edu/courses/crjs/, https://catalog.odu.edu/courses/crjs/, https://catalog.odu.edu/courses/crim/), who can also develop new courses at the intersection of AI and cyber criminology, and whose research addresses applications of Trustworthy AI in cyber criminology with an emphasis on fairness, accountability, transparency, and ethics (FATE) in AI. Ph.D. in criminology, criminal justice, or sociology required; candidates who are ABD are expected to complete the degree by August 2025. Other requirements: A demonstrated ability to conduct research, publish, and teach in cybercrime and Trustworthy AI, evidence of success or potential for obtaining federal grants, and a demonstrated commitment to promoting and enhancing diversity.

About the Department: The Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice offers bachelor's degrees in Sociology and in Criminal Justice and a Ph.D. in Criminology & Criminal Justice. The program director for the Interdisciplinary major of Cybercrime is on the faculty and faculty in the department teach several courses in cybercrime as well as classes cross listed with the School of Cybersecurity which offers MS in Cybersecurity with a Concentration in Cyber Conflict and Cyber Crime. Our PhD in Criminology & Criminal Justice is a sociological criminology program that highlights social inequality and public policy in the study of crime and justice issues. In addition, we are in the process of proposing a MS Criminology program. The department has an accomplished, collaborative, and diverse faculty and student body committed to equality, social justice, and transformative policies and practices and the successful candidate will enrich this environment. Opportunities exist to participate in ODU's Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity, Department of Women's Studies, School of Cybersecurity, and School of Public Health. The surrounding 14 localities and their criminal justice and social service agencies offer tremendous opportunities for research and community engagement partnerships.

Minimum Qualifications:

- 1. Ph.D. in criminology, criminal justice, or sociology required; candidates who are ABD are expected to complete the degree by August 2025.
- 2. Demonstrated ability to teach at the undergraduate and/or graduate levels in cybercrime and Trustworthy AI.
- 3. Demonstrated ability to conduct research and publish in cybercrime and Trustworthy Al
- 4. For the Associate Professor position Evidence of success in obtaining federal grants
- 5. Demonstrated commitment to promoting and enhancing diversity.

Preferred Qualifications:

1. For the Assistant Professor position – Experience with grant-funded research

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