

Assistant Professor - Law and Society/Sociology of Law

POSITION DESCRIPTION

The Department of Sociology at the University of Toronto Mississauga invites applications for a full-time tenure stream position in **Law and Society/Sociology of Law**. The appointment will be at the rank of Assistant Professor, with an anticipated start date of July 1, 2027.

REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants must have earned a PhD in Sociology or a closely related discipline by the time of appointment, or shortly thereafter, with a demonstrated record of excellence in research and teaching in **Law and Society / Sociology of Law**.

We seek candidates whose research advances sociological understandings of law across the breadth of sociolegal scholarship. We welcome applications from scholars employing a wide range of theoretical, comparative, historical, and/or transnational approaches whose work complements and enhances our existing [departmental strengths](#).

Candidates must also demonstrate expertise in quantitative methods and/or mixed methods research, together with the ability to teach undergraduate quantitative methods and/or research methods.

Candidates must provide evidence of research excellence, which can be demonstrated through a record of publications/forthcoming publications in top-ranked and field-relevant journals that meet high international standards; the submitted research statement; presentations at major conferences; awards and accolades; and strong endorsements from referees.

Evidence of excellence in teaching will be demonstrated through teaching accomplishments, the teaching dossier, including the required materials outlined below, and strong letters of reference.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The successful candidate will be expected to pursue innovative and independent research and to establish an outstanding, competitive, and externally funded research program.

The successful candidate will teach in the undergraduate program at the University of Toronto Mississauga and contribute to the Department's Criminology, Law & Society program. They will also contribute to undergraduate instruction in quantitative and/or mixed methods and strengthen sociology-wide research and teaching in Law and Society.

The successful candidate will be a member of the [Graduate Department of Sociology](#) at the University of Toronto and will teach and supervise students in the tri-campus graduate program. In addition, the successful candidate will be assigned a teaching and service load.

HIRING SALARY RANGE

The expected salary range is **\$138,000 - \$178,000 CAD** per annum, depending on experience. Negotiations beyond this salary range will be considered for exceptionally qualified candidates.

ABOUT US

The Department of Sociology at the University of Toronto Mississauga is part of a tri-campus University of Toronto sociology community with strengths across law and society, inequality, race and ethnicity, migration, gender and sexuality, work and organizations, political sociology, health, disability, family, culture, and quantitative and qualitative methods. The successful candidate will join a vibrant intellectual community of scholars at Canada's leading university.

The University of Toronto offers a wide range of opportunities for collaborative and interdisciplinary research and teaching, the excitement of working with a highly diverse student population, and an environment that actively encourages innovative scholarship, including community-engaged research and activities that contribute to wider knowledge transfer. The Greater Toronto Area offers exceptional cultural and demographic diversity and is an important site for research on law, inequality, governance, migration, rights, legal institutions, and social change.

For more information on the Department of Sociology at the University of Toronto Mississauga, please visit [UTM Sociology](#). For more information on the Graduate Department of Sociology at the University of Toronto, please visit [Graduate Department](#).

At UTM we are committed to fostering an environment of diversity and inclusion. With an enviable diverse student body, we especially welcome applications from candidates who identify as Indigenous, Black, or racially visible (persons of colour), and who have experience working with, teaching or mentoring diverse groups or students. Candidates must demonstrate, in their application materials, an ability to foster diversity on campus and within the curriculum or discipline, and must show evidence of a commitment to equity, diversity, inclusion, and the promotion of a respectful and collegial environment. Candidates must submit a statement describing their contributions to equity, diversity, and inclusion, which might cover topics such as (but not limited to): teaching that incorporates a focus on underrepresented communities; efforts undertaken to develop inclusive pedagogies, collaboration, and engagement with underrepresented communities; and mentoring of students from underrepresented groups. If you have

questions about this statement, please contact David Pettinicchio (d.pettinicchio@utoronto.ca), Chair, Department of Sociology.

APPLICATION PROCESS

All application materials, including recent reference letters, must be received by **October 19, 2026**.

All qualified candidates are invited to apply online by clicking the link below. Your CV and cover letter should be uploaded into the dedicated fields. Please combine additional application materials into one or two files in PDF/MS Word format.

Applicants must submit the following materials:

- a cover letter;
- a current curriculum vitae;
- a research statement outlining current and future research interests;
- a recent writing sample;
- a teaching dossier, including:
 - a teaching statement;
 - sample course materials; and
 - teaching evaluations or evidence of superior performance in other teaching-related activities;
- an equity, diversity, and inclusion statement (as noted above);
- the name and contact information of three references.

The University of Toronto's recruiting tool will automatically solicit and collect letters of reference from each referee within 48 hours of an application being submitted. Applicants remain responsible for ensuring that referees submit recent letters on letterhead, dated and signed, by the closing date. Submission guidelines and details on the automatic reference letter collection, including timelines, are available in the [candidate FAQ](#).

If you have any questions about this position, please contact **Darcy McKenzie** (socadmin.utm@utoronto.ca)

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

Diversity Statement

The University of Toronto embraces Diversity and is building a culture of belonging that increases our capacity to effectively address and serve the interests of our global community. We strongly encourage applications from Indigenous Peoples, Black and racialized persons, women, persons with disabilities, and people of diverse sexual and gender identities. We value applicants who have demonstrated a commitment to equity,

diversity and inclusion and recognize that diverse perspectives, experiences, and expertise are essential to strengthening our academic mission.

As part of your application, you will be asked to complete a brief Diversity Survey. This survey is voluntary. Any information directly related to you is confidential and cannot be accessed by search committees or human resources staff. Results will be aggregated for institutional planning purposes. For more information, please see <http://uoft.me/UP>.

Accessibility Statement

The University strives to be an equitable and inclusive community, and proactively seeks to increase diversity among its community members. Our values regarding equity and diversity are linked with our unwavering commitment to excellence in the pursuit of our academic mission.

The University is committed to the principles of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). As such, we strive to make our recruitment, assessment and selection processes as accessible as possible and provide accommodations as required for applicants with disabilities.

If you require any accommodations at any point during the application and hiring process, please contact uoft.careers@utoronto.ca.

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