

Tennessee Tech University

Chair of the Department of Sociology and Political Science

Position Number: 110050

Department: Sociology and Political Science

Job Purpose TENNESSEE TECH UNIVERSITY invites applicants for Chairperson of the Department of Sociology and Political Science at the rank of Professor or Associate Professor. The position will be split 50/50% between administrative and academic duties. The Candidate will be classified as faculty on a nine-month contract with an expectation of summer administrative responsibilities with commensurate renumeration. The chairperson will oversee the Department of Political Science and Sociology, which offers a major in Sociology, with concentrations available in Criminology/Criminal Justice and Social Work, and a major in Political Science with a concentration available in Legal Studies. The Criminology/Criminal Justice concentration is the largest within the department.

Essential Functions The selected candidate will teach three Criminology/Criminal Justice courses annually, which represent a 50% reduction of the typical departmental teaching load. The selected applicant must also carry out chair responsibilities including but not limited to: budget supervision, annual evaluation of faculty, supervision of departmental staff, recruitment and retention of faculty and students, management and improvement of curricula, course scheduling, faculty, staff, and student development, program assessments and reviews, serving on departmental, college, and university level committees, interacting with other departments and university leaders to represent the goals of the department, strategic planning, and providing leadership and vision within the department.

Minimum Qualifications A PhD is required from an accredited institution. The Candidate should be at the level of Associate or Full Professor in Sociology, Criminology, Criminal Justice, or related fields, with experience teaching criminology classes. The selected applicant must be published in the field and demonstrate a strong commitment to teaching excellence and active learning teaching pedagogies. Available teaching evaluations and/or summaries should be provided to the search committee.

Preferred Qualifications

Salary Commensurate with education and experience.

Benefits Information Tennessee Tech offers a competitive benefits package. Benefits include the accumulation of one (1) sick leave day per month and thirteen (13) University holidays. Other benefits include medical and life insurance (shared cost with the university), retirement, optional 401k, and educational benefits. Deferred income and benefits over 12 months.

Screening Date: 01/12/2024

Chairperson of Sociology and Political Science, Tennessee Tech University. Applicants can apply at: <https://jobs.tntech.edu>. The application screening date is January 12, 2024; open until filled.

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