

The University of Alabama

Employment Level and Status: Tenure-Track; Full-Time

Position Title: Criminology & Criminal Justice/ISSR Assistant Professor

Application Deadline: August 31, 2026

Salary: Competitive, Excellent Benefits

The Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, in collaboration with the Institute for Social Science Research at The University of Alabama, invites applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor to begin August 2027.

This is a standard nine-month faculty appointment with a competitive startup package. The substantive area of research is open, and we welcome applications from scholars working across the breadth of criminology, criminal justice, and related social-behavioral fields. We are especially interested in candidates whose scholarship is grounded in rigorous quantitative methods and who are interested in building an active, externally funded research program.

The successful candidate will hold a joint appointment in the Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice and The University of Alabama's Institute for Social Science Research (ISSR), emphasizing interdisciplinary research and collaboration. This role will provide a substantially reduced teaching load, thereby providing more time for research activities. The joint appointment is designed for a research-intensive scholar who will maintain a clear disciplinary home in Criminology & Criminal Justice while benefiting from ISSR's research infrastructure, interdisciplinary collaborations, and support for externally funded team science.

The selected candidate must have earned a Ph.D. in Criminology, Criminal Justice, or a related social-behavioral field by the position's start date. Evidence of methodological strength, research productivity, promise for extramural funding, and interest in graduate training and collaborative research will be especially valued. The Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice offers a supportive environment for research, including competitive teaching loads, opportunities for pre-tenure research leave, and generous funding for research activities. For additional information about our department, please visit our website at <http://cj.ua.edu>. The Institute for Social Science Research is an interdisciplinary unit of the College of Arts and Sciences with the broad mission to promote and conduct social science research at the University. Being part of ISSR provides a unique opportunity for a tenure-track scholar to build an independent research program while engaging with a broader research ecosystem focused on translating social science into measurable impact. Information on ISSR is available at <http://issr.ua.edu/>.

The University of Alabama has an R1 Carnegie Classification. The University of Alabama, founded in 1831, is the state's flagship institution with an enrollment of over 40,000 students. For information about working at The University of Alabama see <https://careers.ua.edu/>.

To apply, candidates should go to <https://careers.ua.edu/jobs/search/AS> to complete an online application and upload (1) a letter of application, (2) a curriculum vitae, and (3) a research statement. References will be requested of finalists. Inquiries about the position should be sent to cjdept@ua.edu. Review of applications will begin **August 31, 2026** and will continue until the position is filled. The University of Alabama is a committed equal opportunity employer.