



**University of Arkansas Little Rock
School of Criminal Justice and Criminology
Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice
(P10012987 / R0087910)**

The **University of Arkansas Little Rock** (UA Little Rock) School of Criminal Justice and Criminology invites applications for **one (1) Assistant Professor (tenure-track)** position to begin August 1, 2027. We seek candidates with a PhD in Criminology, Criminal Justice, or a closely related field. Applicants who are ABD and are close to completion will also be considered, but the PhD should be earned prior to employment.

The area of specialization is **open**. The position includes teaching in face-to-face and online formats. Candidates are expected to (1) work positively with faculty, staff, students, and the community, (2) teach across all academic programs, (3) conduct and disseminate scholarly research, (4) mentor undergraduate and graduate students, and (5) serve the school, college, university, and community.

About the School of Criminal Justice and Criminology at UA Little Rock

Created in 1972, the School of Criminal Justice and Criminology at UA Little Rock is the flagship criminal justice program in the state. Our mission is to create engaged life-long learners dedicated to improving justice in society. We offer a wide array of educational opportunities to meet all academic levels, including associate, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees. Our academic programs prepare students for work in law enforcement, corrections, and juvenile and adult justice agencies, as well as high level research and academic positions. The school is also involved in several grants and contracts. The school has been widely recognized as one of the top online colleges in Criminal Justice for undergraduates and master's students. For more information about the school, please visit <http://ualr.edu/criminaljustice>.

The School of Criminal Justice and Criminology is housed in the College of Business, Health, and Human Services (CBHHS), a community of teacher-scholars whose mission is to educate, inspire, and prepare students for fulfilling professional careers, to be life-long learners, and to have a positive impact on the communities they serve. UA Little Rock offers high quality education as one of the South's leading research engaged universities with one-of-a-kind connections in Arkansas's thriving capital city. Situated in the heart of Little Rock, UA Little Rock is a metropolitan university that offers a dynamic learning environment where students immerse themselves in the traditional college experience and take advantage of opportunities in both the public and private sectors. The Trojan community is diverse, with more than 9,000 students from all over the world.

Required Qualifications

- PhD in Criminology, Criminal Justice, or a closely related field (ABD candidates will be considered).

Preferred Qualifications

- Teaching experience in multiple modalities (in person, hybrid, online);
- A research agenda that allows for publication and funding;



- Experience working on and preparing funded research projects;
- Experience mentoring or supervising graduate students.

Required Materials

- A **Purpose Statement** that summarizes (a) your *interest and fit* for the Assistant Professor position (include the position number **P10012987**), (b) *your teaching philosophy*, and (c) *your research approach and agenda*;
- **Curriculum Vita:**
- Names and contact information for **three (3) references**.

All applicants must submit applications through the UA Little Rock's online application system. Additional information about this position and application requirements are available on the Human Resources' website at <https://ualr.edu/humanresources/jobs>. Official transcripts will be required for hire.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. If you have any questions about the position, please email **Dr. Molly Smith** (mesmith8@ualr.edu). Incomplete applications will not be considered.

UA Little Rock, classified as a "High Research" doctoral institution by the Carnegie Foundation, is Arkansas's premier metropolitan university and enrolls nearly 9,000 full- and part-time students. In addition, the university offers baccalaureate, masters and doctoral degrees across more than thirty departments in three degree-granting colleges and a law school. UA Little Rock provides a unique environment that combines a fast-paced business and technology hub with cultural offerings and deep ties to the Little Rock community. Located in Central Arkansas, Little Rock is the capital city of the state. Featuring ample affordable housing opportunities and a diverse and vibrant food scene, the city is also home to many cultural institutions like Arkansas Repertory Theatre, Robinson Center Performance Hall, Arkansas Symphony Orchestra, Ballet Arkansas, the Clinton Presidential Library, and the Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts. Metro Little Rock offers ten world-class healthcare institutions and one of the nation's largest pediatric hospitals in Arkansas Children's Hospital. Little Rock promotes a lifetime of learning with educational opportunities ranging from award-winning K-12 public schools to private, college preparatory academies, and 20 colleges and universities. Known as the Natural State, Arkansas features 52 state parks and is populated by stunning lakes and rivers. Central Arkansas features a 34-mile recreational trail that connects downtown Little Rock to Pinnacle Mountain State Park. According to the Tax Foundation, a dollar in Arkansas goes farther than anywhere in America.

Working at UA Little Rock has its perks!

- Benefit packages including medical, dental, vision, life insurance, healthcare flexible spending accounts, and an Employee Assistance Program;
- Paid time off, including annual and sick leave;
- Retirement savings options;
- Employee discounts;
- Education assistance.



For more benefits information, go to the UA Little Rock Human Resources website (<https://ualr.edu/humanresources/>).

This position is subject to a pre-employment criminal and financial history background check. A criminal conviction or arrest pending adjudication and/or adverse financial history information alone shall not disqualify an application in the absence of a relationship to the requirements of the position. Background check information will be used in a confidential, non-discriminatory manner consistent with state and federal law.

The University of Arkansas is an equal opportunity institution. The University does not discriminate in its education programs or activities (including in admission and employment) on the basis of any category or status protected by law, including age, race, color, national origin, disability, religion, protected veteran status, military service, genetic information, sex, sexual preference, or pregnancy. Federal law prohibits the University from discriminating on these bases. Questions or concerns about the application of Title IX, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex, may be sent to the University's Title IX Coordinator and to the U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights.