

Assistant Professor of Practice - Criminal Justice and Sociology

Laramie, WY, United States

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Thank you for your interest in joining the University of Wyoming. Our community thrives on the contributions of talented and driven individuals who share in our mission, vision, and values. If your expertise and experience align with the goals of our institution, we would be thrilled to hear from you. We encourage you to apply and become a valued member of our vibrant campus community today!

JOB TITLE:

Assistant Professor of Practice (non-tenure track)

JOB PURPOSE:

The Department of Criminal Justice and Sociology invites applications for a non-tenure-track Assistant Professor of Practice position in Criminal Justice, starting in Fall 2027. This position is a Fixed-Term Rolling Contract (FTRC) with a primary focus on teaching and internship coordination. A FTRC is a non-tenure-track position, which following the successful completion of the probationary period, provides a three-year rolling contract renewed annually upon successful completion of an annual evaluation. In addition to a 9-month contract, this position also includes a separate, additional appointment for managing internships during the summer semester.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Teach 5 (five) courses per academic year, in addition to overseeing the department's internship program (one section per semester).
- Capacity to teach key courses of need in the curriculum, with a particular interest in candidates who specialize in criminal justice systems-related courses, such as corrections, policing, courts, comparative criminal justice, terrorism, and ethics.
- Coordinate and manage the undergraduate internship program as the instructor of record for the internship course in Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters (additional pay for summer may be available). This includes assisting students in our Criminal Justice/Criminology and Sociology programs with obtaining internships, developing new opportunities, supervising students, and assessing internships.
- Engage in professional development, advising, and service activities.

SUPPLEMENTAL FUNCTIONS:

As directed

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Master's degree in Criminal Justice, Criminology, Sociology, or a related field, AND a minimum of 5 years of non- academic work experience in criminal justice or related field.

OR

- PhD degree in Criminal Justice, Criminology, Sociology, Juris Doctorate (JD), or a related field, AND a minimum of 3 years of non- academic work experience in criminal justice or related field.
- Demonstrated teaching experience in Criminal Justice (or related field) at the college and/or university level (Experience as a teaching assistant at the college or university level meets this qualification).

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Experience coordinating, developing, or assisting with student internships.
- Ability to teach in areas of need within our curriculum related to criminal justice systems to include corrections, policing, comparative criminal justice, ethics, or terrorism.
- Demonstrated excellence in teaching at the college and/or university level using applied, practice-based approaches.
- Demonstrated ability to contribute effectively to the delivery of our undergraduate program with traditional classroom instruction and online education.
- Ability to develop partnerships with agencies/organizations for internships, field experiences, and collaborative projects.

Experience Evaluation

Minimum experience requirements are evaluated on a full-time equivalent (FTE) basis. Relevant part-time experience will be prorated based on hours worked. For example, two years working an average of 20 hours per week is equivalent to approximately one year of full-time experience.

Applicants must include the average hours worked per week for all current and previous positions. Failure to provide this information may affect the evaluation of qualifications.

REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS:

- 1) A vita that thoroughly covers academic and professional work history;
- 2) A cover letter that addresses:
 - Interest in and qualifications for the position
 - Ability to coordinate an internship program, including any prior experience
 - Demonstrated ability to teach criminal justice systems courses
- 3) Teaching evaluations from the two most recently taught courses (if available).
- 4) Contact information for three references, who may be consulted regarding the applicant's qualifications and suitability for this position.

Questions about the search should be directed to Dr. Clair Uding (cuding@uwyo.edu).

Application review will begin on October 2nd, 2026, and continue until the position is filled.

Why Choose Us?

At the University of Wyoming, we value our employees and invest in their success. Our comprehensive benefits package is designed to support your health, financial security, and work-life balance. Benefits include:

- **Generous Retirement Contributions:** The State contributes over 15% of your gross salary. With your mandatory employee contribution, the total contribution toward your retirement plan exceeds 19%.
- **Exceptional Health & Prescription Coverage:** Enjoy access to medical, dental, and vision insurance with competitive employer contributions, that include [4 deductible options to suit your needs](#).
- **Paid Time Off:** Benefit from ample vacation, sick leave, paid holidays, and paid winter closure.
- **Tuition Waiver:** Employees and eligible dependents can take advantage of tuition waivers, supporting continuous education and professional growth.
- **Wellness and Employee Assistance Programs:** Stay healthy with wellness initiatives, counseling services, and mental health resources.

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WORK LOCATION:

On-Campus: This position provides vital support to campus customers, and the successful candidate must be available to work and perform essential job functions on campus, understanding our location is at 7,220 feet above sea level.

WORK AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS:

The successful candidate must be eligible to work in the United States. Sponsorship for H-1B work authorization or work visa is not available for this position.

HIRING STATEMENT/EEO:

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, or status as a protected veteran. In compliance with the ADA Amendments Act (ADAAA), if you have a disability and would like to request an accommodation to apply for a position, please contact us at 307-766-2377 or email jobapps@uwyo.edu.

ABOUT LARAMIE:

The University of Wyoming is located in Laramie, a charming town of 30,000 residents nestled in the heart of the Rocky Mountain West. The state of Wyoming continues to invest in its only 4-year university, helping to make it a leader in academics, research, and outreach with state-of-the-art facilities and strong community ties. We invite you to learn more about Laramie by visiting the [About Laramie website](#).

Located in a high mountain valley near the Colorado border, Laramie offers both outstanding recreational opportunities and close proximity to Colorado's Front Range and the metropolitan Denver area. Laramie's beautiful mountain landscape offers outdoor enjoyment in all seasons, with over 300 days of sunshine annually. For more information about the region, please visit <http://visitlaramie.org/>