Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and Criminology (3 Positions)—Search # 67728
College of Behavioral and Social Sciences/Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology

The Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology in the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences invites applications and nominations for three available tenure-track assistant professor positions. These positions are located on the Statesboro campus, but may require teaching on the other campuses.

Georgia Southern University is a distinctive combination of Southern charm and uncompromising academics. We are a Carnegie Doctoral/R2 institution serving about 26,500 students through nine colleges on three beautiful oak-lined campuses in Statesboro, Savannah, Hinesville, and via a growing online program. Throughout its degree offerings at the associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral levels, Georgia Southern cultivates community collaboration, world-class scholarship and hands-on learning opportunities.

Georgia Southern University was founded in 1906 as a school for teaching modern agricultural production techniques and homemaking skills to rural school children. Its Savannah campus was established in 1935 as Armstrong Junior College for local youth who could not afford to attend college away from home. The Liberty Center in Hinesville was established in 1998 to serve the military and their families at nearby Fort Stewart, the largest military base east of the Mississippi. All three locations came together in 2018 when Armstrong State University and Georgia Southern University consolidated. The “new” Georgia Southern University preserves a passion for serving its neighbors while preparing students for lifelong service as scholars, leaders, and responsible stewards of their communities.

Within this setting, the Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology is an interdisciplinary department that provides a comprehensive examination of justice, crime, victimization, and the law. The program offers a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Criminal Justice and Criminology that enrolls approximately 600 students across the three campuses and a minor with 175 students. The department also houses an in-person and online Master of Science (MS) program in Criminal Justice and Criminology with concentrations in criminal justice/criminology and cybercrime. In addition, the Department offers an online Graduate Certificate in Cybercrime. Teaching in both the undergraduate and graduate programs is expected.

Position Description. Reporting to the Department Chair, the assistant professor positions require teaching, research, and service. The positions are 10-month tenure-track appointments, and the salaries are competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Required Qualifications:

- Earned doctorate in Criminal Justice or Criminology, or a closely related field relevant to the specialization areas being sought, by August 1, 2020.
- Commitment to inclusive excellence.
- Commitment to research and scholarly engagement.
- Engagement with institutional student success initiatives.
- Commitment to engaging with best practice initiatives in instruction and pedagogy, mentoring, and curriculum design and development.
- Must be authorized to work in the United States for the duration of employment without assistance from the institution.
Preferred Qualifications:
• Specialization areas are open; however, candidates who specialize on topics related to race and the criminal justice system are strongly encouraged to apply. Other specialization areas the department is interested in are: Gender, Corrections, Juvenile Justice, Gangs, Victimology, Homeland Security, Sentencing, Cybercrime, and Research Methods/Statistics.
• Previous leadership and mentorship experience in teaching, research, or service that supports an equitable and diverse scholarly environment.
• College or university teaching experience (part-time experience is permissible).
• Active research agenda and willingness to engage in funded and applied research.

Screening of applications begins January 6th, 2020, and continues until the positions are filled. The preferred position starting date is August 1, 2020. A complete application consists of: (1) a letter addressing the qualifications cited above, including how past and/or potential contributions to diversity, equity, and inclusion will advance the department’s commitment to inclusive excellence; (2) a curriculum vitae; and (3) the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses of at least three professional references. Other documentation may be requested. Only complete applications submitted electronically will be considered. Finalists will be required to submit to a background investigation. Applications and nominations should be sent to:
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More information about the institution is available through http://www.georgiasouthern.edu or https://cbss.georgiasouthern.edu/departments-programs/#crime. Georgia Southern University seeks to recruit individuals who are committed to working in diverse academic and professional communities and who are committed to excellence in teaching, scholarship, and professional service within the University and beyond. The names of applicants and nominees, vitae, and other non-evaluative information may be subject to public inspection under the Georgia Open Records Act. Georgia Southern University is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity institution. Individuals who need reasonable accommodations under the ADA to participate in the search process should contact the Vice Provost.