



Position:

The Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice is seeking applications for one tenure-track member at the rank of Assistant Professor, beginning August 1, 2025. This is a nine-month position with summer teaching possibilities. Salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience. Responsibilities include teaching, research, and service.

Candidates must have a Ph.D. in Criminology, Criminal Justice, or closely related discipline with a clear criminological focus from an accredited institution, a clearly articulated research agenda, and a commitment to academic excellence and collegiality. Highly qualified ABD candidates will be considered if completion of the degree is imminent.

The department has an established record of engaging students through activities such as undergraduate research as well as collaborating with community partners on grant funded research projects. The ideal candidate will have an interest in contributing to these efforts and have a firm foundation to teach a range of criminology and criminal justice courses. The area of specialization for this position is open, though preference will be given to candidates who can offer instruction in courses already offered in our curriculum.

Application Process:

Application materials must be submitted online to Western Carolina University Human Resources Portal at <http://jobs.wcu.edu> . Candidates should submit an online candidate profile, cover letter, curriculum vitae, unofficial transcripts, evidence of teaching experience/philosophy, and contact information for three current references.

Review of applications will begin October 1st and continue until the positions are filled.

Contact:

Inquiries may be directed to the Search Committee Chair, Dr. Tasha Youstin, at tjyoustin@wcu.edu .

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The Western Carolina University Annual Safety Report can be found at this link <https://www.wcu.edu/files/discover/2023-asfsr.pdf> or in hard copy by request at the office of the Vice for Student Affairs, 114 Scott, Cullowhee, NC 28723 (828.227.7234) or the Office of University Police, 111 Camp Annex, Cullowhee, NC 28723 (828.227.7301).

Persons with disabilities requiring accommodations in the application and interview process please call 828.227.7218 or email at jobs@email.wcu.edu.

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