George Mason University’s Department of Criminology, Law and Society invites applicants for a tenured position of Associate Professor to start in August 2023.

About George Mason University

George Mason University (“Mason”) is the largest public research university in Virginia and has one of the nation’s most diverse student populations. We are a doctoral research university designated by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education as an institution of “highest research activity” (R1). The Criminology, Law and Society Department and Mason are committed to achieving excellence and diversity among their faculty and staff. We encourage candidates to apply who will enrich Mason’s intellectual and culturally inclusive environment. We strongly value being an equal opportunity employer.

About the Department of Criminology, Law and Society

The Department of Criminology, Law and Society is a top-ranked, award-winning, multidisciplinary unit that offers degrees at the bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral levels. We are ranked #10 in doctoral programs in criminology by US News and World Report (#1 in Virginia), and serve around 1,300 undergraduate majors. Our graduate program balances theory, empirical research, and policy applications. Our undergraduate program has concentrations in law and society, criminal justice, and homeland security. The department embraces a wide range of methodological approaches and scholarship contributing to the goals of a fairer, more socially just, and effective criminal justice system. More information on the department, its award-winning faculty, and its research centers and labs is available at https://cls.gmu.edu/.

Required Qualifications and Responsibilities of this Position

Applicants of any expertise related to criminology or law and society will be considered. Candidates must have a Ph.D. in a related discipline and must be tenurable at the rank of associate professor at Mason at the time of hire. Please note that candidates seeking promotion to full professor as a condition of hire will not be considered. Candidates may apply for full professor once their employment at Mason has begun, but this position is only available for an associate professor hire.

The Department seeks accomplished candidates with a dynamic research agenda who excel in teaching a diverse student body. Associate professors will be expected to be research-active and to publish in peer-reviewed outlets at an expected pace towards promotion to full professor. Associate professors will also be expected to teach undergraduate and graduate-level courses, mentor and supervise graduate students, and provide service to the department, college, and university. The teaching load of tenured associate professors in the department is two courses
each semester (“2-2”). Faculty may also adjust their teaching load through grant or administrative buyouts.

Preferred Qualifications

A program of research expertise in corrections is preferred but not required.

Instructions to Applicants

The review of applications will begin on October 1, 2022, and continue until the position is filled. Applicants must apply online at http://jobs.gmu.edu for position number F8851z; complete the faculty application; and attach a cover letter, C.V. (including contact information for three references), and up to three representative research articles or works. Candidates are encouraged to include a diversity statement in their cover letter. Three letters of reference will be requested at a later stage in the search process. Inquiries about the position can be addressed to the Department Chair, Prof. James Willis (jwillis4@gmu.edu), or the Chair of the search committee, Prof. Cynthia Lum (clum@gmu.edu).