

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY AND RURAL STUDIES
Department of Sociology and Rural Studies
South Dakota State University

The *Department of Sociology & Rural Studies* invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position to begin Fall 2019. It seeks a colleague, whose duties will include teaching **policing** and **criminal justice courses**, maintaining an active, independent research agenda that includes peer-reviewed publications, grant activity, and service to the department. The maximum teaching load is three courses per semester.

The Department of Sociology and Rural Studies is committed to increasing the diversity of the campus community. Candidates who have experience working with a diverse range of faculty, staff and students and who can contribute to the climate of inclusivity are encouraged to identify their experience in these areas. Women, veterans, persons with disabilities, and minorities are encouraged to apply.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Teach courses in undergrad Criminal Justice program. The successful applicant will teach courses in **Policing, related law enforcement or criminal justice system courses**, and/or **Juvenile Justice**.
- Teach courses in graduate sociology program. Courses may include **Methods, Social Justice**, and **Applied Sociology**.
- Undergraduate and graduate advising
- Research/scholarship
- Service

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Earned PhD in Criminology, Criminal Justice, Sociology, or related field
- Demonstrated record of teaching Criminal Justice courses, especially Policing related
- Demonstrated record of, or strong potential for, conducting research, engaging students in applied Sociology projects, and ability to facilitate research projects
- Effective written skills
- Effective verbal communication skills
- Effective interpersonal skills

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Demonstrated grant experience
- Publication history
- Ability to advise masters and PhD students on theses and dissertations
- Ability to contribute to both the undergraduate and graduate programs in the department
- Quantitative analysis skills
- Law enforcement or criminal justice agency background/experience

SALARY:

Commensurate with qualifications

UNIVERSITY/COMMUNITY:

South Dakota State University is the state's largest, most comprehensive higher education institution. As South Dakota's Morrill Act land-grant university, SDSU had a fall 2017 enrollment of 12,5273 students from all 50 states and 85 countries. Students choose from 73 majors, 36 specializations, 75 minors, 35 master's degree programs, 15 Ph.D. programs and two professional doctorates. Approximately 55% of SDSU students are residents of South Dakota, 37% from other states, and 8% from other countries. There are ongoing efforts to bring a greater global perspective to the campus to increase diversity. The work of the university is carried out on a resident campus in Brookings, at sites in Sioux Falls, Pierre, Rapid City, and through Extension offices and Agricultural Experiment Station research sites across the state.

From its roots as a land grant university established in Brookings, South Dakota in 1881, SDSU today is a vibrant, complex Carnegie Research University – High Intensity institution. It competes in Division I Athletics, is a member of the Missouri Valley Football Conference and participates in the Summit League for most other sports.

With exceptional alumni, community, and Foundation support for student scholarships as well as all aspects of campus life, SDSU is the center of life in Brookings. Brookings, a community of approximately 23,000, is located in eastern South Dakota along Interstate 29, just one hour north of the state's largest city – Sioux Falls. Brookings is a safe, family-friendly, vibrant, thriving community with many amenities you would find in a much larger city, but with a small-town feel. Residents enjoy the tree-lined streets, leisurely pace of living, a short commute time and a variety of career opportunities in a growing job market. Division I South Dakota State University creates a youthful and energetic atmosphere and provides residents with a multitude of athletic, cultural, educational and recreational activities.

The top-ranked Brookings School District offers small classroom sizes and highly qualified, experienced teachers. The city boasts an abundance of attractions and activities such as the Children's Museum of S.D., Dakota Nature Park, S.D. Art Museum, McCrory Gardens, S.D. Ag Heritage Museum, Outdoor Adventure Center of S.D., Downtown at Sundown, and the Brookings Summer Arts Festival. Brookings is consistently ranked as a top place to live. Recent accolades include: #1 Best Place to Live in S.D., #25 Best City for Entrepreneurs, #2 Best School District in S.D., Top 10 Best Small Towns in America, Safest College Town in America, and the Top 25 Safest Cities in America. Learn more about Brookings by visiting <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IT8OnH5eIgQ&feature=youtu.be>.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Position is open until filled, with full consideration given to applications received by November 1, 2018.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

SDSU accepts applications through an on-line employment site. To apply, visit: <https://yourfuture.sdbor.edu>, search by the position title, view the job announcement, and click on “apply for this posting.” The system will guide you through the electronic application form. The employment site will also require the attachment of a cover letter, which should specifically address how the candidate meets the qualifications as outlined in the advertisement, CV or resume, and a reference page with the contact information for three professional references. Email applications will not be accepted. Please contact SDSU Human Resources at (605) 688-4128 if you require assistance with this process.

Any offer of employment is contingent on the university’s verification of credentials and other information required by law and/or university policies, including but not limited to, a criminal background check.

As of January 1, 2018, South Dakota State University is a tobacco free environment.

For questions on the position, contact Dr. Julie Yingling at 605-688-4132 or Julie.Yingling@sdstate.edu.

South Dakota State University is committed to affirmative action, equal opportunity and the diversity of its faculty, staff and students. Women, minorities, veterans, and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Arrangements for accommodations required by disabilities can be made by emailing HR@sdstate.edu. SDSU prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, citizenship, ancestry, gender, marital status, pregnancy, sexual orientation, age, disability, veteran’s status or any other protected class in the offering of all educational programs and employment opportunities. Individuals with concerns regarding discrimination should contact: Equal Opportunity Officer/Title IX Coordinator, Human Resources, Morrill Hall 100, SDSU, Brookings, SD 57007. Phone: (605) 688-4128.

