

## **University of Maine**

### **Position Title:**

Assistant Professor of Sociology (id:45490)

### **Campus:**

Orono

### **Department:**

Sociology

### **Bargaining Unit:**

AFUM

### **# of Months:**

9

### **Purpose:**

The University of Maine's Department of Sociology seeks a dynamic, innovative scholar and teacher to join our small, collegial, undergraduate-only department at Maine's flagship land and sea grant institution. This is a tenure-track, academic-year position at the assistant professor level anticipated to start September 1, 2018.

### **Essential Duties & Responsibilities:**

We invite applicants for an academic-year, tenure-track position as assistant professor with expertise in both race and ethnicity and criminology/criminal justice. Candidates will be expected to teach core and advanced courses in both areas, along with introduction to sociology, with a standard 3-2 load. Quantitative expertise is also desired.

Consistent with the department's emphasis on public sociology and the university's vision as a community engaged campus, the candidate will be a publicly engaged sociologist. The candidate must demonstrate an interest in, and preferably successful experience in, collaborative interdisciplinary research, teaching, and grantsmanship.

### **Knowledge, Skills & Qualifications:**

#### **Required Qualifications:**

- Ph.D. required by date of hire.
- Specialization in race/ethnicity and criminology/criminal justice
- Demonstrated ability to deliver successful courses at the undergraduate level
- Evidence of ability to develop and pursue a research agenda, including peer-reviewed publications, in the candidate's area of expertise
- Demonstrated commitment to public/engaged sociology
- Evidence of ability to work both independently and collaboratively

#### **Preferred Qualifications:**

- Ph.D. in Sociology preferred (Ph.D. in Criminology/Criminal Justice with strong background in sociology also encouraged to apply)
- Demonstrated ability to seek and/or obtain extramural funding for research
- Experience collaborating on research projects with undergraduate students

Housed in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Department of Sociology has 60 undergraduate majors. The Department offers the B.A. degree in Sociology with an optional concentration in Crime, Law, and Justice. The Department's vision is guided by the values of public sociology and a commitment to quality of life for all. Faculty focus on understanding and improving the quality of life in Maine and beyond and they regularly contribute to the public conversation via op-eds and other outlets on topics such as the experiences of Maine workers, family diversity, the prison boom, and racial prejudice. Our alumni contribute to Maine's common good through work with a wide variety of state agencies and organizations.

Located in beautiful central Maine, the University of Maine, Orono is the flagship campus of the University of Maine system. Our faculty report that a primary reason for staying at UMaine is quality of life. Numerous cultural activities, excellent public schools in neighborhoods where children can walk to school, high quality medical care, little traffic, and a reasonable cost of living make the greater Bangor/Orono area a wonderful place to live. The University of Maine is just 60 miles from the Bar Harbor area and Acadia National Park and 2 hours from Portland, offering access to a wealth of outdoor activities and thriving restaurant and music scenes. UMaine is committed to diversity in our workforce.

Appropriate background checks are required.

All UMS employees are required to comply with applicable policies and procedures, as well as to complete applicable workplace-related screenings and required employee trainings.

**To Apply:** Please click on <https://umaine.hiretouch.com/applicant-login?jobID=45490> to submit your application. A complete application consists of an application letter describing the applicant's experience and interests with respect to the required and preferred qualifications for the position, CV, 2-3 samples of scholarly work such as published articles and/or public sociology pieces, and letters from three professional references. Candidate-submitted materials must be submitted via the HireTouch applicant profile; letters of reference should be sent via email to Amy Blackstone, Search Committee Chair, amy.blackstone@maine.edu. **Incomplete applications cannot be considered. Review of applications will begin on January 29, 2018 and continue until the position is filled. For questions about the position, you may contact Amy Blackstone, Search Committee Chair, amy.blackstone@maine.edu.**

**The University of Maine is an EEO/AA employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age, disability, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.**

**Length:**

Academic Year (Sept-May)

**Required Documents:**

Cover Letter, Publications, Resume/CV