



UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

The Department of Sociology at the University of Central Florida invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor beginning August 2019. We seek a candidate with scholarly expertise in medical sociology, community health, or a health-related sub-discipline of sociology who has an active research agenda, a strong potential to secure external funding, and a commitment to effective teaching. A Ph.D. from an accredited institution, at the time of appointment, in sociology or a closely related field is required. The department is particularly interested in applicants who have the ability to teach graduate level courses in quantitative methodology. Preference will be given to applicants who can also contribute to one or more of the main areas of research within the department (i.e., domestic violence, social inequalities, crime and deviance, or geographic information systems). Preference will also be given to candidates with demonstrated ability to contribute to university and departmental goals of diversity, inclusion, and excellence in the academic community through their research, teaching, and service.

The department (<https://sciences.ucf.edu/sociology/>) has an active graduate program, offering both M.A. and Ph.D. degrees. Recent faculty funding has been secured from the National Science Foundation, the National Institute of Justice, the National Institutes of Health, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, as well as from state and regional agencies. The department currently includes 19 tenured and tenure-track faculty members, who are committed to impactful scholarly research, innovative teaching, collaborative community relationships, and are actively involved in professional organizations. The department houses the Institute for Social and Behavioral Sciences, which specializes in research relevant to public policy issues in the Orlando region and includes a survey research lab, a center for qualitative methodologies, a center for outreach and public service, and a center for social geography. The Department also houses a Crime Lab that maintains a variety of datasets that provide opportunities for students, faculty, law enforcement personnel, and other community organizations to complete research that positively impacts the lives of people in the Central Florida region. The Department and College also house an Interdisciplinary Geospatial Technologies Lab focused on GIS, mapping, and drones to understand social and environmental inequalities. The department is experiencing a period of growth and currently has multiple searches underway.

The University of Central Florida is committed to diversity and was named an Emerging Hispanic Serving Institution as of spring 2017. The Department of Sociology's strong involvement with diversity initiatives is especially reflected in the composition of its students; of 443 undergraduate majors, 43% are White, 22% are Black/African American, and 26% are Hispanic/Latinx. Of 61 students in our graduate programs, 56% are White, 15% are Black/African American, and 23% are Hispanic/Latinx. There is a departmental commitment to further expanding diversity, particularly in our faculty, and applicants with a research record reflecting issues relevant to traditionally underrepresented racial and ethnic minorities and gender and sexual minorities are especially encouraged to apply.

The University of Central Florida is a thriving pre-eminent research university located in metropolitan Orlando. The university benefits from a diverse faculty and staff who create a welcoming environment, a high quality of life, and opportunities to grow, learn and succeed. UCF is adjacent to one of the top research parks in the nation and has a fully accredited College of Medicine. With a diverse student body of more than 66,000 students, UCF is the largest university by enrollment in Florida and one of the largest universities in the country. The university offers 93 bachelor's, 86 master's, 27 research doctorates, 3 professional doctorates, and 3 specialist degree programs. UCF is committed to innovative community partnerships, world-class research with regional impact, and the integration of technology and learning.

The university requires that all applicants apply and submit supporting documents through the UCF Online Recruitment System at <https://www.jobswithucf.com/postings/32245>. Applicants must complete the online Faculty Applicant Affirmation form and submit the following: (1) a letter of application describing qualifications for the position, including research and teaching interests; (2) a curriculum vitae; and (3) contact information for three professional references. The selected candidate will be required to provide official transcripts within thirty days of the hire date. Review of applications will begin on October 4, 2018 and continue until the position is filled. For questions about the position, please contact Dr. Dr. Libby Mustaine, Chair of the Department at libby@ucf.edu.

As an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer, UCF encourages all qualified applicants to apply, including women, veterans, individuals with disabilities, and members of traditionally underrepresented populations. UCF's Equal Opportunity Statement can be viewed at: <http://eeo.ucf.edu/documents/PresidentsStatement.pdf>. As a Florida public university, UCF makes all application materials and selection procedures available to the public upon request.