

# THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

## **Multicultural Postdoctoral Fellow in Criminology and Criminal Justice**

The Criminology and Criminal Justice Program at the University of Rhode Island seeks to hire a Distinguished Multicultural Postdoctoral Faculty Fellow for the 2022-2023 academic year. The Fellow will transition into a full-time, funded, tenure-track position at the level of Assistant Professor at the end of the first year, subject to a favorable review of teaching and scholarly activities within the first twelve months.

This position is part of a Social Science Diversity & Justice cluster hire and a larger set of coordinated diversity and inclusion initiatives sponsored by the Provost's office ([https://web.uri.edu/provost/files/Agenda-for-MuChange-2021.Final\\_.pdf](https://web.uri.edu/provost/files/Agenda-for-MuChange-2021.Final_.pdf)). The goal of the fellowship is to support emerging outstanding scholars from historically underrepresented groups interested in pursuing a tenure-track faculty position. The cluster hire includes three postdoctoral positions:

- A sociologist specializing in race/ethnicity studies, racialization, and/or racial inequality (housed in the Sociology & Anthropology Department).
- An anthropologist specializing in the Indigenous peoples of the Americas (housed in the Sociology & Anthropology Department; this position was filled in July 2021).
- A scholar of crime/criminal justice (housed in the interdisciplinary Criminology and Criminal Justice Program).

We aim to hire a cohort of scholar-teachers that excel in academic and/or public scholarship and to facilitate mentorship and professional development towards a tenure track position. We view mentorship as a multidimensional and reciprocal process. As such, the three postdoctoral fellows will be able to form a peer mentoring group, will have campus offices in the same building, and will have opportunities for collaboration with faculty in home and other departments, such as Africana Studies and Gender and Women's Studies. The cluster hire's focus on diversity and justice relates directly to the goals of the Department of Sociology & Anthropology, the Criminology and Criminal Justice Program, the College of Arts & Sciences, and the wider University. For more information, see: <https://web.uri.edu/artsci/news/uri-to-hire-three-distinguished-multicultural-postdoctoral-fellows/>.

While the area of expertise is open, candidates whose research show promise in engaging with one of the following subfields will be given priority: carceral studies; comparative criminology; crimmigration; criminological theory; juvenile justice; program evaluation; queer criminology; transformative justice; and victimology. As an interdisciplinary program that offers our majors elective options from across the



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College of Arts and Sciences, candidates from a wide range of disciplinary perspectives will be considered.

We seek a scholar-teacher who is committed to the University of Rhode Island's mission as a learner-centered research university where diversity, fairness, and respect are valued. The ideal candidate would be adept at engaging and supporting students from a variety of backgrounds. We strongly encourage applications from individuals who are under-represented across race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other legally protected basis.

The postdoctoral fellow would be expected to teach courses on criminology and/or criminal justice topics, advance their research agenda and contribute to program, college, and university service. The teaching load during the year of this fellowship is 1:1. The transition to a tenure-track faculty position will be based on continued interest on the part of the Fellow as well as the potential of the Fellow to contribute to the teaching, scholarship, and service needs and goals of the department as judged by the departmental faculty and Dean of the College. If the Fellow does not transition to a tenure-track position, the University is committed to providing a second year of support in the postdoctoral fellowship position.

Position is full-time academic year, limited to 05/21/2022 with anticipated renewal.

Visit the URI jobs website at <https://jobs.uri.edu> to apply and view complete details for posting (SF01121).

Please attach the following 5 (PDF) documents to your online Employment Application:

- Letter of application that describes your qualifications and interest in the position,
- Curriculum Vitae that includes the names and contact information of three professional references (as one complete document)
- A brief teaching portfolio (e.g., 1 page teaching philosophy, sample syllabi of a course you would teach, and teaching evaluations, if available) (as one complete document),
- "Other Document" – A 1-page statement detailing how your teaching, service and/or scholarship will support the success of students by embodying the values of Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion,
- "Other Document" – A sample of your scholarly work of no more than 30 pages (as one complete document).

**The search will remain open until the position has been filled.** First consideration will be given to applications received by October 1, 2021. Second consideration may be given to applications received by October 15, 2021. Applications received subsequent to second consideration date (October 15, 2021) may not be given full consideration.

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE ONLY.**

**The University of Rhode Island is an AA/EEOD employer.**

**Women, persons of color, protected veterans, individuals with disabilities, and members of other protected groups are encouraged to apply.**



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