

Criminal Justice Administration, Tenure-Track Faculty

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Department

Criminal Justice Adm

University Expectation

MTSU seeks candidates committed to innovative teaching, robust research/creative activity, and meaningful service. We also seek to attract culturally and academically diverse faculty who value working with diverse students.

Salary

The salary is commensurate with education and experience.

Job Summary/Basic Function

The Department of Criminal Justice Administration at Middle Tennessee State University invites dynamic scholars and teachers with expertise in policing, criminal investigations, homeland security, or emergency management to apply for a full-time, tenure-track faculty position (#121040) at the rank of assistant or associate professor. The start date for the position is August 1, 2026.

Key Responsibilities

- Teach undergraduate and graudate courses on-site and online in area-specific and broader-departmental topics (e.g., intro to criminal justice) as needed.
- Develop and maintain an active research agenda with strong potential for external funding.
- Publish scholarly work in peer-reviewed, high-impact journals.
- Participate in departmental, college, and university service activities.
- Engage in community partnerships that support the mission of the department and university.
- Mentor students in various thesis and capstone projects.
- Regularly meet with the department chair and administration.
- Be regularly available to students during office hours.

Required Education

A PhD in criminal justice, criminology, emergency management, homeland security, fire science, or a closely related field is required by the appointment date.

A terminal degree and a master’s degree in criminal justice, criminology, emergency management, homeland security, fire science, or a closely related field, and four (4) years of full-time professional employment in the criminal justice system or emergency management by the appointment date will be considered in lieu of a PhD in criminal justice, criminology, homeland security, fire science, or a closely related field.

Other Desirables

Applicants with the following will receive special consideration:

- a research agenda with strong potential for external funding will receive special consideration.
- prior employment in law, law enforcement, corrections, homeland security, or emergency management.
- experience using Canvas.
- demonstrated history of developing and teaching courses in multiple delivery formats (in-person, hybrid, and online).

Documents Needed to Apply

To successfully apply, applicants must include a cover letter, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching philosophy, and statement of research or creative activities (as appropriate to the discipline) as separate attachments at the time of online application.

Special Instruction to Applicants

For more information about serving as a faculty member at Middle Tennessee State University, please visit our [faculty recruitment webpage](#).

If you need help applying, please contact Mitzi Dunkley, Faculty Recruitment Specialist, at (615) 898-5128. If you have position-specific questions, please contact Elizabeth Wright at Elizabeth.Wright@mtsu.edu.

MTSU offers a comprehensive benefits package, including but not limited to the following:

- Sick Leave
- Vacation Leave for Administrative/Classified Staff/12-month Faculty
- 13 paid University holidays
- Medical, dental, vision, and life insurance
- Retirement plans
- Optional 401K and 403B Deferred Compensation Plans
- Educational benefits for the employee and their spouse and dependents

Click [here](#) for additional information.

MTSU is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer that values diversity in all its forms. Women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and protected veterans are encouraged to apply.

Proof of U.S. citizenship or eligibility for U.S. employment is required before employment (Immigration Control Act of 1986). Clery Act crime statistics for MTSU are available at <https://police.mtsu.edu/annual-security-report/> or by contacting MTSU Public Safety at (615) 898-2424.

MTSU is a Tobacco & Drug-Free campus.

This position requires a criminal background check. Therefore, you will be required to provide information about your criminal history to be considered.

For individuals requiring reasonable accommodation to apply: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA), if you have a disability and would like to request an accommodation to apply for a position with MTSU, please call 615-898-2929 or email emp@mtsu.edu.

Application Review Date: 11/01/2025