Assistant Professor in Sociolegal Studies

The Department of Sociology and Legal Studies in the Faculty of Arts at the University of Waterloo is seeking an exceptional scholar, teacher, and researcher for a tenure track position at the rank of Assistant Professor in the area of Sociolegal Studies beginning July 1, 2022.

The successful candidate must have a PhD in Sociology, Sociolegal Studies, or an equivalent discipline. Evidence of an actively developing research program in the sociolegal field is required. Duties will include teaching required undergraduate and graduate level theory-oriented courses in sociolegal studies in addition to substantive courses that contribute to the Department’s strength in the area of Crime, Law, and Security. The ability to develop and teach an array of traditional and on-line courses is required. The candidate is also expected to supervise graduate students in Sociology and to develop an innovative program of high-quality research that will attract external funding and excellent graduate students.

The University of Waterloo consistently ranks as a leading comprehensive university in Canada and is located in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, a one-hour drive from Toronto, Canada’s financial and cultural capital. The University is at the forefront of innovation and is home to transformational research and inspired learning. Located in the heart of Canada’s technology hub, we are growing a network of global partnerships that will shape the future by working beyond disciplines and building bridges with industry, institutions, and communities.

The Department of Sociology and Legal Studies is a research-intensive department with diverse academic programs examining many of the most pressing issues confronting societies today. The Department offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in Sociology and is home to an interdisciplinary undergraduate Legal Studies program. The Department provides an intellectually vibrant setting for students and faculty engaging in sociological and sociolegal scholarship and is committed to developing a culture of academic and professional mentorship among students and faculty. Recent growth and change in the faculty complement builds on the Department’s foundational strengths in social theory and research methods while advancing research and scholarship in the following thematic areas: Crime, Law, and Security; Knowledge, Education, and Digital Culture; Social Inequality and Public Policy; and Migration, Borders, and Transnationalism. Preference will be given to candidates whose work contributes to research and scholarship in one or more of these areas.

The salary range for this position at the Assistant Professor rank is $90,000 to $120,000. Negotiations beyond this salary range will be considered for exceptionally qualified candidates.
The closing date for applications is December 1, 2021. Application materials must be submitted online as PDF files through our Online Faculty Application System (https://ofas.uwaterloo.ca/). Please include electronic copies of a cover letter, curriculum vitae, teaching statement, up to three reprints of current journal articles or book chapters, and arrange to have three letters of reference uploaded (addressed to Dr. Daniel O’Connor, Chair, Department of Sociology and Legal Studies, University of Waterloo).

The University of Waterloo acknowledges that much of our work takes place on the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishinaabeg and Haudenosaunee peoples. Our main campus is situated on the Haldimand Tract, the land granted to the Six Nations that includes six miles on each side of the Grand River. Our active work toward reconciliation takes place across our campuses through research, learning, teaching, and community building, and is centralized within our Indigenous Initiatives Office (https://uwaterloo.ca/human-rights-equity-inclusion/indigenousinitiatives).

The University values the diverse and intersectional identities of its students, faculty, and staff. The University regards equity and diversity as an integral part of academic excellence and is committed to accessibility for all employees. The University of Waterloo seeks applicants who embrace our values of equity, anti-racism and inclusion. As such, we encourage applications from candidates who have been historically disadvantaged and marginalized, including applicants who identify as Indigenous (e.g., First Nations, Métis, Inuit/Inuk), Black, racialized, people with disabilities, women and/or 2SLGBTQ+.

The University of Waterloo is committed to accessibility for persons with disabilities. If you have any application, interview or workplace accommodation requests, please contact Dr. Daniel O’Connor at daniel.oconnor@uwaterloo.ca or by phone, at (519) 888-4567 ext. 41366.

If you have any questions regarding the position, the application process, assessment process, or eligibility, please contact Dr. Daniel O’Connor at daniel.oconnor@uwaterloo.ca or by phone, at (519) 888-4567 ext. 41366.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

Three reasons to apply: https://uwaterloo.ca/faculty-association/why-waterloo.

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Signature of Chair/Director.
Aug 3, 2021

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Signature of Dean.
Aug 5, 2021

Approved: Vice-President Academic & Provost
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