



2012 Party Platforms for Criminal Justice Policy

In September 2012, The Sentencing Project (TSP) released the 2012 Party Platforms for Criminal Justice Policy. The Platforms indicate that the Democratic and Republican Parties differ significantly on criminal justice policies including the death penalty, immigration, and racial disparities. The following are examples of the political parties positions on racial disparities and immigration.

Democratic Party

“[C]ommitted to ending racial ... profiling and requiring federal, state, and local enforcement agencies to take steps to eliminate the practice.” “We understand the disproportionate effects of crime, violence, and incarceration on communities of color and are committed to working with those communities to find solutions. We will continue to fight inequalities in our criminal justice system.” “[E]nacted the Fair Sentencing Act, reducing racial disparities in sentencing for drug crimes” (TSP, 2012, p. 4).

Republican Party

The Republican Party does not have an official position of racial disparities.

Democratic Party

“[P]rioritizing the deportation of criminals who endanger our communities over the deportation of immigrants who do not pose a threat” (TSP, 2012, p. 2).

Republican Party

“[S]upport Republican legislation to give the Department of Homeland Security long-term detention authority to keep dangerous but undeportable aliens off our streets, expedite expulsion of criminal aliens, and make gang membership a deportable offense” (TSP, 2012, p. 2).

The Parties also have position statements on juveniles, prison conditions, reentry into the community and reducing recidivism, victims, sentencing policies, violence against women, and the war on drugs.

To learn more about the Party Platforms, please go to the link below:

<http://www.sentencingproject.org/doc/2012%20Party%20Platforms%20on%20Criminal%20Justice%20Policy.pdf>

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Message from the Vice-Chair

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Greeting MWS Members,

I hope that all of you are enjoying your fall semester. It seems like the semester just started and it is now halfway over. I want to express my gratitude to each of you for allowing me to serve as Vice-Chair of this great organization. I will do all that is in my power to represent our organization very well and pledge to serve with commitment.

We are gearing up for our annual ACJS conference which will be held in Dallas, Texas in 2013. I would like to see our enrollment increase and better participation of our members in our section. I think that it is very important to encourage our young scholars to join our organization. With that said, I am hoping to register a minimum of 20 new young Wiley Scholars and our entire faculty to our organization this spring during the conference. I am asking all of our members to encourage your students and faculty to become members of MWS. I would like to recommend that we explore the possibility of establishing a student officer section of MWS and encourage competition among our young scholars in the form of a quiz bowl, debate or poster presentations focusing on minority and women issues.

I would also like us to explore the possibility of establishing an online peer-reviewed journal for our section. This would allow our academicians to have their research published and thus assist them with academic rank promotion. I would like to thank our president, secretary and executive counselors for doing an outstanding job. I am looking forward to seeing all of you in March. May the Lord bless each of you!

Important dates to remember:

ACJS Annual Meeting in Dallas, Texas – March 19-23, 2013

Deadline to submit Research Papers for the Esther Madriz Student Travel Award – October 30, 2012

Message from the Editor

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Welcome to the September issue of MWS Speaks! I would like to remind you that Dr. Faith Lutze is accepting nominations for section awards and I encourage you to nominate a deserving colleague. In addition, Dr. Tracy Andrus is accepting nominations for the Esther Madriz Student Travel Awards. Please encourage your students to submit a research paper. For more information about the awards, please see page 3.

The ACJS conference is just around the corner. This should prove to be a great conference because ACJS will be celebrating its 50th year as an organization. I hope you will support the section members by attending their panel presentations and roundtables. I also would ask that you consider volunteering at our outreach table. I believe we will have a real opportunity to increase our membership.

Thank you for your continued support of MWS Speaks. The newsletter is a place for you to submit your scholarly work, share your achievements, and to connect with each other. Please think about making a contribution to the upcoming issue of MWS Speaks scheduled to be released in December. You might consider submitting articles, short essays, book reviews, position announcements, and/or member news. Send your contributions to me at KD-Dodson@wiu.edu.



MWS Awards



The MWS Awards Committee is seeking nominations from our membership to be considered for the awards outlined below. Please be proactive in nominating individuals for each award. To nominate a person please send an electronic copy of (1) a letter of support describing why you believe they should be selected for the award and (2) the nominee's vita to Faith Lutze, Chair, MWS Award Committee at lutze@wsu.edu. Nominations are due November 1, 2012.

Coramae Richey Mann Leadership Award: To be considered for the highest honor of the Section, Coramae Richey Mann Leadership Award, a person must meet the following criteria: an active member in good standing of the Section for at least 2 consecutive years prior to being recommended. Recipient must be a contributor to the ethnic and racial diversity in criminal justice education. The recipient must endeavor to advance critical thinking concerning women and must have made substantial contributions to the emerging body of knowledge about gender issues in criminology and criminal justice.

Evelyn Gilbert Unsung Hero Award: Recipient must be an active member in good standing of the Section for at least 2 consecutive years prior to being recommended. Must be committed to ethnic and racial diversity in criminal justice education. The recipient must have made substantial contributions to the emerging body of knowledge about gender issues in criminology and criminal justice.

Becky Tatum Excellence Award: To be considered for the Becky Tatum Excellence Award, a person must be an active member in good standing of the Section. Recipient must be committed to conceptual or empirical contributions to the study of minorities as victims, professionals in criminal justice, or offenders.

Minorities and Women Section Esther Madriz Student Travel Awards: The Minorities and Women Section, of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences is accepting applications for the Esther Madriz Student Travel Awards. These two student awards are designed to encourage the participation of undergraduate and master's level racial/ethnic minority and women students in the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences and will permit two students to attend and make presentations at the 2013 ACJS Annual Meeting (in Dallas, Texas). Each award will be a maximum of \$600. Recipients shall be required to submit receipts to receive reimbursement for their expenses.

To be eligible for an award, an applicant must meet the following criteria:

- ◆ Be a woman or a member of an under-represented racial/ethnic minority group in the criminal justice/criminology discipline;
- ◆ Be enrolled in an undergraduate program of criminal justice/criminology during some part of the academic year for the annual meeting at which the presentation will be made; or
- ◆ Be enrolled in a master's degree program of criminal justice/criminology during some part of the academic year for the annual meeting at which the presentation will be made.

To be eligible for the award, an applicant must submit:

- ◆ Letter of Application
- ◆ Personal Resume
- ◆ Official Transcript of degree being pursued at the time of submitting the application
- ◆ Faculty Letter of Nomination
- ◆ Original single authored manuscript (4 paper copies). The presentation may be either a roundtable, or a research paper session. The paper should not exceed twenty typewritten double-spaced pages using APA format. Each paper will be blindly reviewed by a national committee.

The first and second place authors will receive a maximum of \$600 travel reimbursement for their expenses to attend the ACJS conference in 2013. Both the first and second place papers will be presented at a special Student Minorities and Women Section panel. Other papers may be invited to participate on the panel.

All application materials must be received no later than October 30, 2012 and should be sent to:

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SPRING 2013 SYMPOSIUM
April 25-26, 2013 Albany, New York
Young Scholar Paper Competition

This symposium will engage scholars, practitioners and community members in an exploration of the intersections of social justice and criminal justice in an increasingly diverse society. The objective of the symposium is to develop a better understanding of criminological issues related to “diversity” and “multiculturalism,” which include, but are not limited to, the ways in which race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disability, age, marital status, or veteran status (1) shape individual and collective experiences with victimization, offending, and social control outcomes and (2) are connected both to public opinion and the construction of social meaning in relation to crime and justice.

The paper competition seeks to identify excellent student papers to be presented at the symposium and encourages undergraduate students to submit their work for consideration. Papers should be empirical or theoretical, and should range from 15-30 pages in length. The selection panel will be looking for high quality papers that make an original contribution to the field. Literature reviews will not be accepted. Student authors are encouraged to seek guidance from faculty advisors. Submissions from female and/or minority scholars are actively encouraged.

The *Criminology* format for text, references, and citations should be used. The authors’ names and affiliations should be listed on a separate title page, so that submissions can be reviewed anonymously. The second page should include the title and a 150-200 word abstract. Students should also include a letter indicating the author’s enrollment status, co-signed by the dean, department chair, or undergraduate program director.

Lead authors of the first, second and third places will receive the following:

- Travel and lodging (double occupancy)
- Symposium registration fees
- Paper presented at symposium

The deadline for paper submissions is **February 1, 2013**. Send papers electronically to Assistant Professor Justin Pickett, School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany at justiceinstitute@albany.edu.

More information about the symposium and the Justice & Multiculturalism Project, please visit our website at www.albany.edu/justiceinstitute. Please also feel free to send questions about the competition or the symposium to Dr. Pickett at the email listed above.

Position Announcement



BRIDGEWATER

STATE UNIVERSITY

Position Information

Position Title Department of Criminal Justice, Assistant Professor
(Tenure track) Critical Legal Studies
Requisition Number 2036

Job Description

Bridgewater State University's Department of Criminal Justice invites applications for a full-time tenure-track position to begin Fall 2013. A large, growing, dynamic department with a strong social justice orientation in both theory and practice seeks faculty committed to teaching, mentoring, and research. We seek a candidate who is an active and productive scholar with a demonstrable, significant commitment to teaching as our university has a 4-4 teaching load (most often implemented with a three-course preparation).

Required Minimum Qualifications

Prefer a Ph.D. in Criminal Justice, but will consider candidates with a Ph.D. in Criminology, Sociology, Public Policy, Political Science or other closely related fields. A law degree is not considered an appropriate terminal degree for this position. Doctoral students who are ABD and who are nearing completion of the dissertation will also be considered.

Applicants should be strongly committed to social justice, excellence in teaching and mentoring, and to working in a multicultural environment that fosters diversity. They should also have an ability to use technology effectively in teaching and learning, the ability to work collaboratively, evidence of scholarly activity, and a commitment to public higher education.

Preferred Qualifications

The focus of this position is a progressive analytical view of the legal system, including the implications for fairness as well as racial, ethnic, gender and class equity. Examples of areas of preferred specialization include wrongful convictions, prosecutorial & judicial misconduct, plea bargaining, eyewitness identification, false confessions, felony disenfranchisement, juvenile prosecutions & sentencing, dynamics and effects of mandatory sentencing, life without parole, death penalty, or any other related specializations.

Special Instructions to Applicants

Items other than resume or letter of interest that applicants must submit: Applicants must submit at least one substantive writing sample, preferably from an area of research or teaching specialization.

Eligible Applicants

All (Internal and External candidates)
Department of Criminal Justice
Pay Rate Salary will be based on qualifications.
Job Open Date 08-03-2012
Job Close Date Open Until Filled
Job Category Faculty/Librarian

Application Types Accepted

Faculty/Professional Application

Quick Link

jobs.bridgew.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=54580

Position Announcement

**Position Title**

Department of Criminal Justice, Assistant Professor (Tenure Track) Technology and Crime

Position Number

173086

Job Description

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Required Minimum Qualifications

Prefer a Ph.D. in Criminal Justice, but will consider candidates with a Ph.D. in Criminology, Sociology, Public Policy, Political Science or closely related fields. A law degree is not considered an appropriate terminal degree for this position. Doctoral students who are ABD and who are nearing completion of the dissertation will also be considered.

Applicants should be strongly committed to social justice, excellence in teaching and mentoring, and to working in a multicultural environment that fosters diversity. They should also have an ability to use technology effectively in teaching and learning, the ability to work collaboratively, evidence of scholarly activity, and a commitment to public higher education.

Preferred Qualifications

Applicants for this position should have expertise in the ever-changing relationship between technology and crime, including such issues as public surveillance, privatization, the role of social media, and crime analysis. Special consideration will be given to an applicant who has extensive expertise in GIS and spatial analysis. Other areas of specialization will be considered.

Special Instructions to Applicants

Items other than resume or letter of interest that applicants must submit: Applicants must submit at least one substantive writing sample, preferably from an area of research or teaching specialization.

Eligible Applicants

All (Internal and External candidates)

Department of Criminal Justice

Pay Rate Salary will be based on qualifications.

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Position Announcements



Savannah State University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097. Telephone (404) 679-4501 to award baccalaureate and master's degrees.

Date Posted

January 5, 2012 (Revised and resubmitted)

Position Title

Assistant or Associate Professor Criminal Justice

Position Description

The Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences invites applicants for a tenure track Assistant or Associate Professor position in Criminal Justice. The candidates will teach a continuum of criminal justice courses and will be expected to engage in program/curriculum development, advising and service. The normal teaching load is 12 hours per semester with advising,

research and community service responsibilities.

Minimum Qualifications

Ph.D. in Criminal Justice or related field from a research institution is preferred but ABD's will be considered. Applicants with the Ph.D. in a related field must have the Masters in Criminal Justice. The J.D. alone will not meet the minimum qualifications for the positions. A minimum of three years teaching experience at the college level is expected. Preference will be given to candidates with a strong background in community policing, social/community justice, domestic terrorism and comparative criminal justice. Background and/or credit check may be required.

Salary

Commensurate with qualifications and experience

Application Deadline

Review of applications will begin upon receipt and continue until filled.

How to apply

Application for the position must be completed online and you should include a letter of interest outlining qualifications, current vitae, all college transcripts, and detailed contact information for three professional references. Information may be uploaded at <https://jobs.savannahstate.edu>.



The Department of Public Affairs and Social Research at Texas A&M International University has two Assistant Professor in Criminal Justice positions available. Salary is commensurate with qualifications. Duties include teaching courses, performing research in criminal justice, and serving on departmental, University, and professional committees. Additional responsibilities include academic advising, scholarly activities, and service. Open until filled. To apply, please submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and a list of references. All applications must be submitted via our online employment system, TAMIU Works, at <https://employment.tamui.edu>.

Required Qualifications: Earned doctorate in Criminal Justice or related field. Ability to perform research and teaching in either policing or corrections. ABDs will be considered. Preferred Qualifications: Demonstrated commitment to teaching excellence at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Record of publication in peer-reviewed journals in the field. All TAMIU positions are security-sensitive. Applicants are subject to a criminal investigation, and employment is contingent on the results of the criminal history investigation. Visit www.tamui.edu for more information about our University. TAMIU is an equal opportunity employer.

Position Announcement



Assistant Professor of Criminology, Tenure Track Vacancy Two Positions

The **Department of Criminology of the University of South Florida** invites applications for two nine-month tenure-track positions at the **Assistant Professor** level to begin August 7, 2013. To be eligible for consideration, applicants must possess or be working toward a Ph.D. in Criminology, Criminal Justice, or a related social science discipline. ABDs will be considered, but must show evidence that the Ph.D. will be in hand by time of appointment.

Area of specialization is open, but preference will be given to those who demonstrate an ability to make a solid contribution to the department's doctoral program. Applicants should show a strong record of or potential for research productivity, potential for external funding, and demonstrated history of teaching effectiveness. Women and minorities

are strongly encouraged to apply. Salary is competitive and negotiable.

The Department of Criminology offers degrees at the Bachelor's, Master's, and Ph.D. levels. To learn more about the department, please visit our web site at: <http://criminology.usf.edu>. **Review of applications will begin immediately** and will continue until position is filled. Applicants must apply for the position through USF on-line employment application system **Careers @ USF** https://employment.usf.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/Welcome_css.jsp (view faculty positions for the College of Behavioral and Community Sciences, Department of Criminology, position 19069; enter basic demographic information and upload a cover letter and curriculum vitae.) The cover letter should include one's teaching philosophy, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and a description of your research agenda. Three letters of reference should be emailed to Shayne Jones, Ph.D., Chair of the Search Committee (sjones9@usf.edu). For additional information you may contact Dr. Shayne Jones at sjones9@usf.edu or (813) 974-9556.

According to Florida law, applications and meetings regarding them are open to the public. For ADA accommodations, please contact Nadine Priester at 813-974-7197 or nadine@cas.usf.edu at least five working days prior to need. The University of South Florida is an AA/EEO institution. November 1, 2011.



Department of Criminal Justice University of Texas at San Antonio Tenure Track Position

The Department of Criminal Justice at the University of Texas at San Antonio seeks to fill one tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor rank beginning Fall 2013.

Area of research specialization is open. The successful candidate will have a Ph.D. in Criminology, Criminal Justice, or closely related field along with demonstrated excellence in scholarly research, grant acquisition, effective teaching, and service. Teaching expectations are commensurate with Research I institutions.

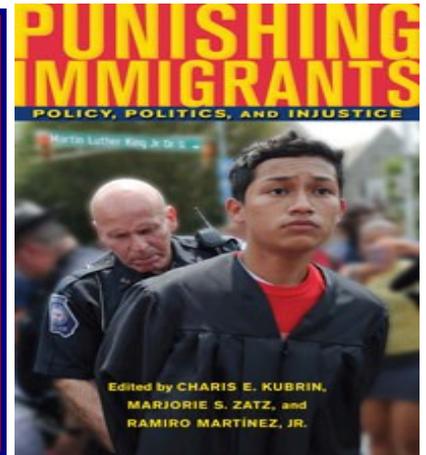
UTSA continues to move toward Research I status and currently enrolls approximately 30,000 students. The Department is housed within the College of Public Policy on UTSA's Downtown campus, which is situated in the heart of San Antonio. The Department currently offers a B.A. in Criminal Justice and a M.S. in Justice Policy. For further information about the Department, please visit our website: <http://copp.utsa.edu/criminal-justice/home/>.

Applicants should submit by mail: (1) a letter describing research and teaching interests, (2) a current curriculum vitae, (3) examples of published scholarly work, and (4) 3 letters of recommendation.

Send all application materials to:
Richard D. Hartley, Ph.D.
Chair, Faculty Recruitment Committee
Department of Criminal Justice
University of Texas at San Antonio
501 W. César E. Chávez Blvd.

The Minorities and Women Book Selection

Punishing Immigrants: Policy, Politics, and Injustice
Edited By
**Charis E. Kubrin, Marjorie S. Zatz,
and Ramiro Martinez, Jr.**
NYU Press



Arizona's controversial new immigration bill is just the latest of many steps in the new criminalization of immigrants. While many cite the presumed criminality of illegal aliens as an excuse for ever-harsher immigration policies, it has in fact been well-established that immigrants commit less crime, and in particular less violent crime, than the native-born and that their presence in communities is not associated with higher crime rates. *Punishing Immigrants* moves beyond debunking the presumed crime and immigration linkage, broadening the focus to encompass issues relevant to law and society, immigration and refugee policy, and victimization, as well as crime. The original essays in this volume uncover and identify the unanticipated and hidden consequences of immigration policies and practices here and abroad at a time when immigration to the U.S. is near an all-time high. Ultimately, *Punishing Immigrants* illuminates the nuanced and layered realities of immigrants' lives, describing the varying complexities surrounding immigration, crime, law, and victimization.

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Fayetteville State University**



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