



# NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE 1861

## Tenure-Track Position Open Rank Professor of Criminology

### **About the Position**

The Department of Sociology, Criminology, & Anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences at North Central College invites enthusiastic educators for a tenure-track position in Criminology, to begin in Fall 2026. Applicants will be considered regardless of field of specialization. This collegial and highly collaborative department is a supportive environment that promotes experiential and engaged learning, highlighting faculty areas of expertise and scholarship. The contract is for 9.5 months and carries a teaching load of 20 credits per academic year, typically fulfilled through five 4-credit courses spread over two semesters. This is an on-campus position.

### **The duties in this role include:**

- Instruct a range of undergraduate courses in the criminology core curriculum.
- Assess students' work and provide detailed feedback on how to improve their content knowledge, critical thinking skills, oral and written communication skills, etc.
- Mentor undergraduate students through one-on-one and group interactions, including senior capstone theses and internships.
- Engage students in research where possible.
- Create inclusive spaces in and outside the classroom.
- Develop opportunities for community-engaged learning.
- Pursue current and new research activities in the field(s) of study, including new research projects, writing/dissemination of current and future research, and presentation of research at conferences or other appropriate venues.
- Leverage experience and content knowledge to develop and review curricula for the criminology major and minor.
- Contribute to continual program improvement through annual evaluation of program outcomes and objectives.
- Prepare departmental reports as requested.
- Attend conferences and workshops as necessary to remain active in the field(s) of study; engage with campus resources and professional organizations to further develop teaching, pedagogical, and mentoring skills; and complete campus-wide training as required by the Offices of Academic Affairs and Human Resources.
- Perform other departmental duties and attend activities as necessary, including attending department and college meetings and participating in committees, task forces, and others as required.

### **Basic Qualifications:**

Basic qualifications are required at the time of application.

- Ph.D. in Criminology, Sociology, or a very closely related discipline by August 2026. A J.D. alone is not appropriate for this position.
- Ability to bridge the disciplines of sociology and criminology.
- Evidence of excellence in teaching undergraduate students.
- A clear research agenda, including demonstrated potential for peer-reviewed publications in criminology.
- Commitment to excellence in undergraduate teaching, mentoring, and research.

### **Preferred Qualifications:**

Preferred qualifications are not required qualifications for the position.

- Teaching proficiencies in critical or comparative criminology.
- Research that includes undergraduate students.
- Record of fostering an environment that stimulates intellectual growth and engagement.
- Experience with designing and teaching innovative undergraduate courses that add to the current departmental offerings.

### **Salary Range:**

The budgeted salary range for this position is:

- Assistant Professor: \$62,000 – \$67,000
- Associate Professor: \$72,000 – \$78,000
- Professor: \$83,000 – \$88,000

Plus benefits.

### **About NCC:**

Founded in 1861, North Central College is a selective, comprehensive liberal arts institution with approximately 3,000 students, located 28 miles west of Chicago in Naperville. The College is in a period of growth with the addition of a \$60 million Science Center (2017) and a new Health Sciences and Engineering building (2020). The College is within walking distance of the Naperville Metra station and is next to downtown Naperville. The Naperville area is home to many excellent school districts, and Naperville, IL, has been ranked as one of the best places to live by *Money* magazine.

North Central College values diversity, equity, and inclusion, and strongly encourages candidates who would enrich the campus community's diversity to apply. Experience working with diverse student populations and communities is highly desirable.

### **Application Window:**

- **Open date:** September 9, 2025  
**Initial review date:** October 6, 2025  
*Apply by initial review date to ensure full consideration by the committee.*
- **Final date:** November 17, 2025  
*Applications will continue to be accepted until this date, but those received after the review date will only be considered if the position has not yet been filled.*

**For more information and to submit an application, please visit:**

<https://www.northcentralcollege.edu/academic-affairs/prospective-and-incoming-faculty>

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