

Assistant Professor (Sociology)

The Department of Sociology at the University of Massachusetts Boston (UMB) invites qualified persons to apply for a tenure-track assistant professor position to join our faculty beginning September 1, 2026. Candidates should have demonstrated research and teaching strengths in the sociology of gender/sexualities with a preference for candidates who can teach Queer Theory/Methods. Candidates who are able to teach a first-year course for sociology majors requiring qualitative methods preferred. Candidates should have an emerging/established research program with the potential to generate external funding, a strong commitment to teaching and mentoring, the capacity to expand diversity initiatives on campus, and enhance the university's commitment to public service.

Our department serves a large undergraduate program with majors in Sociology and Criminology & Criminal Justice. We also offer graduate programs including a Master's and PhD in Sociology. Find out more about the Department at <http://www.umb.edu/academics/cla/sociology>. The normal teaching load for tenure-track faculty at UMB is 2-2 over the academic year. Candidates are expected to teach courses across our undergraduate and graduate programs.

The Carnegie Foundation classifies UMB as an R-1 (Very High Research Spending and Doctorate Production) doctoral-granting and community-engaged university. There are many collaborative opportunities for scholars focusing on the sociology of gender/sexualities via the Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies department, the Gender, Leadership, and Public Policy Certificate program, the Consortium on Gender, Security and Human Rights, and the Center for Women in Politics & Public Policy.

Application instructions:

We will begin reviewing applications on October 1, 2025. Submit your a) brief cover letter, b) curriculum vitae, c) research, and d) teaching, by following the link below. Appointment requires completion of a doctoral degree in Sociology or a closely related discipline no later than August 31, 2026.

<https://employmentopportunities.umb.edu/boston/en-us/job/527829/assistant-professor-sociology>

UMass Boston is an urban public research university with a teaching soul, whose impact is both local and global. We are the third most diverse university in the country - more than 60% of our undergraduate students come from minoritized communities and groups and more than half of our students are the first in their families to attend a college or university. Thus, our students come to us from richly diverse life experiences and backgrounds; they bring to our classrooms and research settings the robust range of perspectives growing out of the socio-cultural, economic, and historical contexts in which they have lived, along with the challenges they encounter, engage, and strive to overcome. We invite applications from candidates who engage the diverse life experiences of our student body, who appreciate that students bring their holistic selves into the academic setting, and who recognize and articulate how their own life experiences and backgrounds have shaped their journeys, practices, and commitments as researchers, scholars, and educators.

UMass Boston is committed to the full inclusion of all qualified individuals. As part of this commitment, we will ensure that persons with disabilities are provided reasonable accommodations for the hiring process. If reasonable accommodation is needed, please contact HRDirect@umb.edu or 617-287-5150.

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