

**Department of Sociology  
College of Arts and Sciences  
The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB)**

**Job Description: ASA Job#17120**

The Department of Sociology at the University of Alabama at Birmingham invites applications for a non-tenure track teaching assistant professor to start in Fall 2022. We seek a candidate with teaching expertise in data science and research methods, who can contribute to undergraduate and graduate instruction and develop a data science track in our online Applied Sociology Master's program.

The ideal candidate will have expertise in teaching a wide variety of quantitative data analysis techniques and research methodology, including those that pertain to complex longitudinal surveys and/or program evaluation. Candidates should be excited by the possibilities of training students to apply data science to pressing social issues, enjoy working directly with students both online and in person, and be dedicated to achieving the highest standards of excellence in their work. Candidates should have a PhD in Sociology, Survey Methodology, or a related social science field, experience teaching online, and outstanding evaluations of their work as an instructor. Responsibilities include a 3/4 teaching load (both online and in-person) and development of a data science track in the online Applied Sociology Master's program.

The department offers a BA in Sociology, a BS in Medical Sociology, an MA in Applied Sociology, and a PhD in Medical Sociology. Research in the department focuses on medical sociology and health-related topics. Currently, the department has about 100 undergraduate majors, 85 online MA students, 25 students in its PhD in Medical Sociology program, and 13 full-time faculty. See the department website for more information:

<https://www.uab.edu/cas/sociology/>.

With more than 22,500 students and 2,900 full-time faculty members, UAB ranked in the top young universities in the U.S. and 12th worldwide by Times Higher Education. UAB ranks in the top 20 public universities for federal research funding and is the major teaching-research university in the state. Interdisciplinary scholarship and teaching is prominent, and the Department of Sociology collaborates closely with multiple units across campus. UAB ranks in the top ten nationally for student diversity, with over one hundred countries represented on campus and 42.5% of students representing minority populations. Birmingham is the largest city in Alabama and offers a vibrant cultural community with a wide array of recreational opportunities.

Submit applications through PeopleAdmin (<https://uab.peopleadmin.com>). Applicants are required to upload a current CV, a teaching portfolio (including a teaching philosophy, representative course syllabi and materials) and evidence of teaching effectiveness. Three professional reference letters that speak to the applicant's teaching abilities are required. Referees will upload letters directly to PeopleAdmin.

Review of applications will begin October 15, 2021 and continue until the position is filled.

Questions may be directed to David F. Warner, Ph.D., Search Committee Chair,  
[dwarner3@uab.edu](mailto:dwarner3@uab.edu).

### **Required Qualifications**

The candidate must hold a Ph.D. in Sociology, Survey Methodology, or another related social science field at the time of appointment. Must have experience teaching quantitative data analysis techniques and research methodology online, and have excellent evaluations of their work as an instructor. Must present demonstrated commitment to excellence in their work.

### **Preferred Qualifications**

The candidate should be capable of teaching a variety of quantitative data analysis and research methodology courses at the MA and PhD-level to meet departmental needs, have an interest in applied sociology, and genuinely enjoy working with students both in-person and online. In-person teaching experience, in addition to online experience, preferred. Expertise in the Stata, R and Mplus programs, and/or prior experience in applied settings are especially desirable.

The College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) treasures the rich diversity of our student body and we are committed to their success. Members of the CAS community are expected to reflect our value for inclusive excellence in both our work and learning environment as well as in our efforts to serve and engage the community.

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