SOC387H1S - New Topics in Sociology: Education and the Criminal Justice System

This course explores how the criminal justice system has made its way into classrooms and schools. We will examine the historical role of the education system in the disproportionate practices of control and punishment against Black, Indigenous, Latinx and other racialized youth in North American schools. Attention will be given to the criminalizing techniques schools employ, such as zero-tolerance policies, expulsion and suspension, which contribute to the incarceration of youth. Using an intersectional perspective, we will critically analyze the growing links between schooling, policing, juvenile detention centres, and other criminal justice institutions. Finally, we will discuss the resistance and refusal of students, teachers and communities to the criminalization of education.

Estimated Enrollment: 40 students

Tutorials: No

Estimated TA Support: 70 hours

Class Schedule: Online asynchronous – 4 contact hours/week, beginning the week of July 5, 2021 to Monday, August 16, 2021 - see below. Please note that, in keeping with current circumstances, the course delivery method may change as determined by the Faculty or the Department.

Dates of Appointment: July 1, 2021 – August 31, 2021*

*Please note: This position includes the completion of any course work and grading not completed by August 31, 2021.

Salary: $8,219 (includes vacation pay)

Academic Qualifications: MA in Sociology or related field required, with evidence of good progress in PhD program
Strong academic record in area required.
Superior undergraduate teaching at the university level directly related to the area is strongly preferred.

Description of Duties:

The course will be taught online asynchronously, meaning there is no timeslot for them; instead, the lectures are recorded and the students listen to them during their own time, but there is no in-person teaching.

The course instructor is responsible for the preparation of the course syllabus and the preparation and presentation of course material. It is the duty of the course instructor to attend regularly scheduled office hours. The course instructor is responsible for supervising the work of TAs assigned to this course, for preparing and evaluating course assignments, term tests, and the final examination, and submitting final marks in accordance with university deadlines.

Application: All individuals interested in this position must submit a cover letter and Curriculum Vitae; following the closing date of the posting, selected applicants may be asked for further information or documents. Please list all courses you have previously taught in the Department of Sociology, St. George Campus, University of Toronto. Specify the course code (e.g., SOC100H1) and course title (e.g., Introduction to Sociology) for each course. E-mail your application package to:

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Closing Date: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 28, 2021

This job is posted in accordance with the CUPE 3902 Unit 1 Collective Agreement. The position posted above is tentative, pending final course determinations and enrolments. The Department’s hiring Policy is available in the Department office and at the CUPE, Local 3902 office. In accordance with the Employment Equity Policy, the University of Toronto encourages applications from qualified women and men, members of visible minorities, aboriginal peoples, and persons with disabilities. As a reminder, subsequent appointment obligations may be filled on any of the three campuses.