Criminal Justice Research and Policy Fellowship

Postdoctoral Fellowship
Durham, North Carolina 27708

Subject Area: Law, Science & Criminal Justice

The School of Law at Duke University and Prof. Brandon L. Garrett invites applications for a 2018-2019, Criminal Justice Research and Policy Post-Doctoral Associate. This position is intended for individuals with a doctoral degree (JD, PhD, MD, DPhil) who are interested in an academic or policy career working on issues in science and law, with a particular interest in studying data and outcomes in the criminal justice system. Projects may include research on state sentencing data, mental health diversion, drug treatment, eyewitness memory, scientific evidence in the courtroom, and the use of risk assessment in criminal cases. The associate would be located in shared space with the Science, Law, and Policy (SLAP) Lab postdoctoral associates, with opportunities to share ideas and participate in educational opportunities offered by the lab and by the Duke Initiative for Science and Society more broadly.

The Fellowship Experience

*Mentored research opportunities.* The postdoctoral research fellow will work closely with Prof. Brandon Garrett and other faculty mentors at Duke University to conduct research at the intersection of science, law, and criminal justice policy. The fellow will also obtain knowledge and skills necessary to obtain competitive research funding, in preparation for a successful career.

*Project management and leadership experience.* The postdoctoral research fellow will be in charge of coordinating and leading research projects focusing where possible on North Carolina data and outcomes. The fellow will be in charge of coordinating and leading weekly team meetings and engaging with the broader Duke community to foster research collaborations. The fellow will be in charge of supervising and mentoring undergraduates, graduates, and postdocs who assisting with these projects.

*Educational opportunities.* The fellow will have access to relevant law school and Duke University events and seminars.

Fellowship Responsibilities

• Complete at least one mentored research project which culminates in a manuscript of publishable quality
• Participate in science, law, and criminal justice policy conferences, workshops, and seminars as appropriate
• Support the policy work of the project, including by participating in education and engagement opportunities, such as presentations and meetings with lawmakers, prosecutors, defense attorneys, and policy reform coalition members
• Help plan and implement workshops and events

Qualifications

Must have a PhD, MD, or equivalent doctoral degree in psychology, public policy, bioethics, or a field deemed relevant by the program. Must have excellent written and oral communication skills and must be able to work in collaborative, team-oriented environments. Experience with social science research methods, including survey methods, quantitative and qualitative research, and/or policy research is highly desirable. Familiarity with criminal justice-related data is also preferred.

The Application Process

Applicants should submit a CV, college and graduate school transcripts, contact information for three references, a writing sample, and a statement of interest in empirical criminal justice-related research (in 2000 words or less) to Prof. Brandon Garrett at bgarrett@virginia.edu. The subject line of the email application should read “Application 2018 Post-Doctoral Fellowship”. Applications must be received no later than 5 p.m. on April 27, 2018. Fellows will be chosen based on demonstrated academic merit, likelihood of future success in academia or science policy, and on strength of their research proposals. Decisions will be made by May 18, 2018.

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