

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Department of Criminal Justice

FACULTY NAME	DEGREE	GRANTING UNIVERSITY	GRADUATE FACULTY LEVEL	SEMESTER OF CERTIFICATION	SEMESTER OF EXPIRATION
Barnes, Lynette	Ph.D.	Rutgers University	Full Faculty	Fall 2021	Fall 2026
Burris-Kitchen, Deborah	Ph.D.	Western Michigan University	Full Faculty	Fall 2021	Fall 2026
Christian, Deniel	Ph.D.	Liberal University	Associate-Level 1	Spring 2023	Spring 2028
Montgomery, Michael	Ph.D.	Tennessee State University	Full Faculty	Fall 2021	Fall 2026
Smith, Robert	J.D.	Howard University	Full Faculty(recertify)	Fall 2024	Fall 2029
Woods, Larry	J.D.	Northwestern University	Full Faculty (Recertify)	Summer 2024	Summer 2029

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Department of Languages, Literature and Philosophy

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Morgan-Curtis, Samantha	Ph.D.	University of Tennessee	Associate Level 2	Spring 2023	Spring 2026

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Department of Music

FACULTY NAME	DEGREE	GRANTING UNIVERSITY	GRADUATE FACULTY LEVEL	SEMESTER OF CERTIFICATION	SEMESTER OF EXPIRATION
Bryant, Robert	Ph.D.	Mercer University	Full Faculty	Fall 2022	Fall 2027
Greene, Derrick	Ph.D.	University of Memphis	Associate Level 1	Spring 2024	Spring 2027
McDonald, Reginald	Ed. D.	University of Alabama	Full Faculty	Fall 2021	Fall 2026
Nettles, Darryl	DMA	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Associate Level 2	Fall 2024	Fall 2027
Rasmussen, Ljerka	Ph.D.	Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut	Full Faculty	Spring 2021	Spring 2026
Tem, Tolga	DMA	Bilkent University	Full Faculty	Spring 2022	Spring 2026
Turner, Stephen	Ph.D., DMA	University Of Georgia UNLV	Adjunct (NT)	Spring 2025	Spring 2026

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Department of Sociology

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Department of Interdisciplinary Studies

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Membership Categories

1. Full Graduate Faculty

- Definition: Full membership is for newly hired full-time tenure track faculty with more than three (3) years of graduate education experience prior to joining TSU, as well as for tenure track TSU faculty with over three (3) years of graduate education experience. Membership must be renewed every 5 years.

2. Associate Graduate Faculty Level II

- Definition: Associate Membership Level II is for faculty who have previously held Full Membership but no longer meet the criteria for re-certification.

3. Associate Graduate Faculty Level I

- Definition: Associate Membership Level I is for newly hired tenure track faculty holding a terminal degree with fewer than three years of graduate teaching experience, hired into departments with graduate programs.

4. Adjunct Graduate Faculty - Teaching

- Definition: Criteria apply to part-time adjunct or full-time temporary faculty members at TSU. Adjunct status must be renewed annually. Adjunct members may not direct theses or dissertations but may serve as committee members.

5. Adjunct Graduate Faculty - Non-Teaching (External)

- Definition: External Graduate Faculty Membership is for individuals who can support master's or doctoral candidates in completing their research. Status must be renewed every 3 years.

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