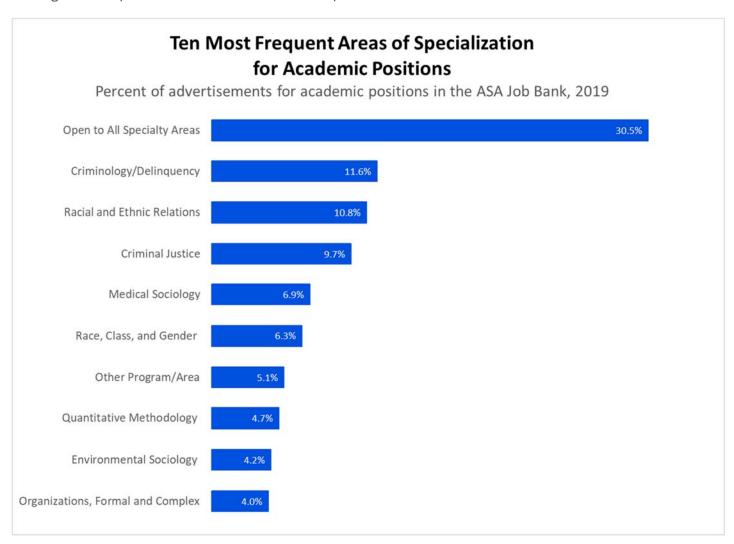
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Areas of Specialization for Academic Positions Advertised in the ASA Job Bank in 2019

The ASA Job Bank is a primary source for job advertisements that may be of interest to sociologists, particularly for tenure-line and full-time visiting academic positions. The figure below shows the ten areas of specialization sought most frequently in advertisements for academic positions, both tenure-track and non-tenure-track, in 2019. (For a complete list of the 67 areas that were sought in the advertisements, see the full report.) Like in previous years, open area positions were mentioned most frequently. When employers listed a specialization, criminology/ delinquency was the most frequently sought, followed by racial and ethnic relations. Other areas that were frequently sought in advertisements for academic positions were criminal justice; medical sociology; race, class, and gender; other program/area; quantitative methodology; environmental sociology; and organizations, formal and complex. Together, 63.3 percent of the academic positions advertised in 2019 were seeking sociologists with expertise in at least one of these nine topical areas.



Source: American Sociological Association 2018 Job Bank Report. Full report is available at https://www.asanet.org/research-and-publications/research-briefs/positions-advertised-asa-job-bank-2019.