

# UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL

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## Undergraduate Full-Time Faculty

### A

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### B

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Professor of Criminal Justice  
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### C

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M.S., Ph.D. The University of Alabama at Birmingham  
B.S. The University of Texas at El Paso  
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B.S. University of Malawi  
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### D

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Professor of Nursing  
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## E

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## F

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## N

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## P

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## R

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## W

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