Hi, my name is Carlos Monteiro. I'm an assistant professor in the Sociology & Criminal Justice Department here at Suffolk University. My scholarly interests are primarily in punishment and social control. I'm very interested in individuals that go into the criminal justice system and how they actually make it out, and if they make it out successfully. Mondays and Wednesdays, I'm in a correctional facility. Tuesdays and Thursdays, I'm in the classroom. I think that's important, because again, you are taking what you learn in the actual real world, in the correctional facilities, for example, and bringing that to the classroom. Students that advocate for social justice, students that are enthusiastic about the program, and students that are very open and not really shy about asking questions. My immigrant experience is the reason why I'm at Suffolk. I grew up in Cape Verde, which is a country on the west coast of Africa. My favorite course to teach is Communities and Crime. We pay a lot of attention to immigration, pay a lot of attention to the change in the United States, moving from small, stable farming communities to communities that are centered around booming industries. I try to help students understand why many of these communities look the way they do today, and why some of them have struggled to change, struggled to improve. Suffolk University is in the core of Boston. We are next to two superior courts, two district courts right next to us. We have the state police, we have the State House. We have faculty members who are also from these agencies that will walk over from the courthouse and come and teach classes here at Suffolk. These are folks that eventually could write them a letter of recommendation. These are folks that could open doors for them that may not have been possible. Yes, they're getting faculty members who have the theoretical background, but they're actually getting faculty members who are in the field doing the actual work.