

CRIMINOLOGY

1. GENERAL

SCHOOL	SOCIAL SCIENCES		
DEPARTMENT	PSYCHOLOGY		
LEVEL	Undergraduate		
COURSE CODE	Ψ-2503	SEMESTER	4 th
COURSE TITLE	CRIMINOLOGY		
COURSE INSTRUCTOR	Olga Themeli		
SCIENTIFIC EXPERTISE	Associate Professor of Criminological Psychology		
TEACHING ACTIVITIES	WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	ECTS	
Lectures and video demonstrations	3	4	
COURSE TYPE	Scientific field (Elective)		
PREREQUISITE COURSES:	None		
INSTRUCTION/EXAM LANGUAGE:	Greek		
OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS	YES (1 assignment and independent study of English literature for the exams in English)		
COURSE WEB PAGE (URL)	Will be announced.		

2. LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning Outcomes
The goal of this course is on the one hand the students' familiarity with the study of the criminal phenomenon and on the other the formation of a scientific perspective for the crime and the perpetrator.

During the semester emphasis will be given on the study of criminal behavior and on the research of its causes. An additional goal is the cultivation of a rational approach to the criminal phenomenon, the abandonment of stereotypical approaches and the treatment of the criminal as an individual with personal rights.

On the successful completion of the course students are expected to have:

- Understood the causes of criminogenesis and their multifactorial dimension
- Perceived the systematic ways of studying the criminal phenomenon, the particularities and the research difficulties that arise
- Perceived the crime as a social phenomenon and the criminal as a human being with inexplicable rights
- Been updated for the modern criminological directions and challenges
- The ability to interpret the crime more fully by looking at their scientific knowledge, to be able to detect cases of social reality “construction” by the media and not resort to absolute and unilateral interpretations of the criminal behavior, but to review stereotypes and prejudices by adopting a rational attitude towards the risk of our societies and towards the diffuse “moral panic” that is usually created by crime in the social circle
- To assess the role and boundaries of the criminologist that works for the criminal justice system
- To be aware of the rule and basic ethical principles that govern the work in a specific system and field of work

General Competences

- Adjustment in new situations.
- Respect for diversity and multiculturalism.
- Criticism and self-criticism.
- Demonstration of social, professional and moral responsibility and sensitivity regarding gender issues
- Work in a multidisciplinary environment

- Promotion of free, creative and inductive thinking.

3. COURSE CONTENT

- Criminology and other sciences
- Criminological fields
- Modern criminological directions
- The methodology of criminology
- The meaning and the nature of the crime
- The concept and nature of crime rate, distinctions and measurement
- The dark number of “crime”
- The causes of criminogenesis
 - i. The classic school
 - ii. Biological theories
 - iii. Psychological theories
 - iv. The Marxist views
 - v. Sociological theories
- The criminal (definition, distinctions, research of personality) and the sense of risk
- Issues of moral panic and social exclusion
- Human Rights in the context of Criminal Justice
- The study of the victim and the process of victimization
- The challenges of criminology today

4. INSTRUCTIONAL AND LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

<p style="text-align: center;">INSTRUCTION METHOD</p>	<p>In class</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES USED</p>	<p>Use of ICT in teaching</p>

TEACHING ORGANIZATION	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Semester Work load</i>	<i>ECTS credits</i>
	Lectures	39	1,56
	Study and bibliography analysis	30	1,2
	In depended study	34	1,36
	Course Total	103	4,12
STUDENT EVALUATION	<p>The evaluation is in Greek. Erasmus students can deliver an assignment in English.</p> <p>I. Final Exams (criticism short answers questions)</p> <p>The evaluation criteria are presented during the 1st lecture of the semester.</p>		

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