

M Forensics, criminology and law

Faculty of Law

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Psychology and law

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Period 1 Startdate: 05-Sep-11 Enddate: 28-Oct-11

Code

CRI4015

ECTS credits

6.0

Organisational unit

Faculty of Law

Coordinator

P.J. van Koppen

Description

Focuses on the psychological aspects of criminal law, such as the reliability of testimonies. Special attention is paid to the ways criminal evidence is gathered and interpreted by law enforcement officials, public prosecutors, lawyers and judges.

Goals

Instruction language

EN

Prerequisites

Recommended literature

Teaching methods

PBL

Assessment methods

Key words

Forensic psychopathology

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CRI4016

ECTS credits

6.0

Organisational unit

Faculty of Law

Coordinator

M. Jelacic

Description

Deals primarily with offenders' criminal liability (e.g. the issue of diminished responsibility). Emphasis is put on a number of mental disorders and the meaning and relevance of these disorders in relation to criminal behaviour and criminal liability. Special attention will be given to offenders with either psychosis or personality disorders.

Goals

- Learning to distinguish between different kinds of psychopathology; - Obtaining knowledge about the development, symptoms and treatment of these disorders; - Learning how the different kinds of psychopathology can play a role in criminal behaviour

Instruction language

EN

Prerequisites

Recommended literature

A reader with articles on forensic psychopathology will be made available.

Teaching methods

PBL

Assessment methods

WRITTEN EXAM

Key words

Criminological perspectives

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Period 2 Startdate: 31-Oct-11 Enddate: 23-Dec-11

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CRI4017

ECTS credits

6.0

Organisational unit

Faculty of Law

Coordinator

J.M. Nelen

Description

The causes, explanation, and (societal) responses to criminal behaviour are taken into account. The course has been designed to allow students to study the most important notions of criminological theory and the development of critical thinking with regard to criminal policy issues.

Goals

Instruction language

EN

Prerequisites

Recommended literature

Teaching methods

PBL

Assessment methods

Key words

Forensic DNA research

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Period 2 Startdate: 31-Oct-11 Enddate: 23-Dec-11

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LAW4040

ECTS credits

6.0

Organisational unit

Faculty of Law

Coordinator

J.H. Blomsma

Description

Goals

Instruction language

EN

Prerequisites

Recommended literature

Teaching methods

LECTURE(S)

PBL

Assessment methods

Key words

Criminalistics

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Period 4 Startdate: 06-Feb-12 Enddate: 06-Apr-12

Code

CRI4019

ECTS credits

6.0

Organisational unit

Faculty of Law

Coordinator

A.P.A. Broeders

Description

Looks at the use of forensic sciences for investigative and evidential purposes, discusses ways of determining the weight of scientific evidence and attempts to bridge the gap between science and the law.

Goals

Instruction language

EN

Prerequisites

Recommended literature

Teaching methods

LECTURE(S)

PBL

Assessment methods

Key words

Evidence

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Period 5 Startdate: 09-Apr-12 Enddate: 01-Jun-12

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CRI4021

ECTS credits

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Organisational unit

Faculty of Law

Coordinator

G.F. Vermeulen

Description

Deals with the development of criminal justice systems in Europe (EU and Council of Europe), in particular with regard to evidence related issues. Students are invited to study basic principles of (procedural) criminal law and cross-border or international cooperation, both from a domestic and a European perspective, focused around the burden of proof, evidence gathering, admissibility and weighting.

Goals

- to understand and to be able to apply and comment on evidence (law) related matters in domestic criminal justice systems across Europe and at European level - to have the ability to reflect in a critical-scientific manner - to have the ability to interpret relevant current affairs - to understand and to be able to use scientific and content- related English jargon on the subject matter - to be able to autonomously consult, analyse and process scientific sources in English - to be able to adequately report in English, both orally and in writing, about the subject matter

Instruction language

EN

Prerequisites

Optional preparatory reading of articles of choice in: C. Breur, M. Kommer, J. Nijboer en J. Reyntjes (ed.), *New Trends in Criminal Investigation and Evidence*, Volume 2, Antwerp-Groningen-Oxford, Intersentia, 2001.

Recommended literature

Will be included in course materials

Teaching methods

LECTURE(S)

PBL

Assessment methods

ASSIGNMENT

PARTICIPATION

WRITTEN EXAM

Key words

Evidence, information, forensics, forensic expertise, gathering,, admissibility, reliability, assessment, probative value, probative, weight, criminal investigation, criminal matters, EU, Council of Europe,, police, judge, court, prosecutor, judicial,

Effective criminal defence

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CRI4022

ECTS credits

6.0

Organisational unit

Faculty of Law

Coordinator

T.N.B.M. Spronken

Description

Focuses on procedural rights in criminal proceedings in Europe. In this course, the right to effective defence in criminal proceedings for defendants across a number of European jurisdictions is discussed. Theory and practice are combined. The main focus of the course is on the extent to which procedural rights that are indispensable for an effective defence, such as the right to information, the right of access to a lawyer and the right to an interpreter are provided in practice.

Goals

Instruction language

EN

Prerequisites

Recommended literature

Teaching methods

PBL

Assessment methods

Key words

Study abroad MA1

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Organisational unit

Faculty of Law

Coordinator

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Goals

Instruction language

Prerequisites

Recommended literature

Teaching methods

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Organisational crime

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ECTS credits

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Organisational unit

Faculty of Law

Coordinator

J.M. Nelen

Description

Organisational criminology is the study of illegal conduct by legal private and public organisations and their directors. Although there have been fraudulent companies and corrupt public servants throughout history, interest in these categories has grown considerably in recent times. Organizational criminology is a comparatively new concept in the areas of both criminal law and criminology. It deals with a type of offense that was never directly, at the most indirectly, characterised as a criminal offence in the past. Criminological investigation into organizational criminality differs from the criminological study of ordinary criminal offenses. Not only does it often involve a different (powerful) type of perpetrator, but different laws are broken, which are monitored differently as well. As result, traditional explanatory behavioural theories are less relevant here; a more prominent part is played by psychological, sociological and economic organisational theories. Aside from the doctrine of the vicarious liability of those in control, intention, negligence and liability are relevant issues in organisational criminology. Legal studies and meta-legal studies do not always run parallel here. The course intends to explore how matters stand at this moment in time. This implies that much needs to be explained, described and clarified. A range of different themes will be studied against the backdrop of divergent scholarly theorisation. In this respect, the course intends to cover a truly integrative discipline.

Goals

The overall learning objective of the course is the student's ability to independently analyse (current) cases upon completion of the course. The course is organised in steps comprising nine interrelating themes. During each group meeting, one or more of these themes will be discussed. In addition, a number of complementary (guest) lectures will be offered. The themes are meant to serve as a framework within which the subject matter will be more closely examined on the basis of a number of assignments. The themes to be discussed are the following: 1. Criminology? 2. White-Collar Criminality 3. Organisational Criminality 4. The Organisation 5. Casuistry 6. Explanations 7. Responsibility and Liability 8.

Regulation, Monitoring and Sanctioning 9. Public and State Criminality

Instruction language

EN

Prerequisites

Prior (basic) courses in criminology are not required but strongly recommended.

Recommended literature

- Corporate and Governmental Deviance by M. D. Ermann and R. J. Lundman - Corporate Crime by G. Slapper and S. Tomb

Teaching methods

LECTURE(S)

PBL

Assessment methods

FINAL PAPER

Key words

Corporate crime, financial crime, governmental crime, gross human rights, violations, case study/analysis.,

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LAW4070

ECTS credits

12.0

Organisational unit

Faculty of Law

Coordinator

D.L.F. de Vocht

Description

Goals

Instruction language

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Prerequisites

Recommended literature

Teaching methods

PBL

Assessment methods

WRITTEN EXAM

Key words