

Degree	Type	Year	Semester
2500257 Criminology	OB	2	A

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## Use of languages

Principal working language: catalan (cat)  
Some groups entirely in English: No  
Some groups entirely in Catalan: No  
Some groups entirely in Spanish: No

## Other comments on languages

One of the seminars will be in English

## Teachers

Albert Pedrosa Bou  
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## Prerequisites

To follow the course a minimum level of B1 in English is required. To have passed Introduction to Criminology and Criminological Language is strongly recommended. Students that wished to improve their English may attend a seminar in English.

## Objectives and Contextualisation

The aim of "Theoretical Criminology" is that the student know the different explanations of offending, both at individual level- origen, maintenance and cessation of offending- and at ecological levels, explaining the different rates of crime in different contexts.

In the degree, theories of crime are the main framework for criminological research, that will be oriented to validate a criminological theory or an integrations of theories. On the other hand, once the theories have received empirical confirmation, they should be the basis for crime prevention and intervention with offenders.

The general aim of the subject is that the student is able "To understand the criminological theories and reflect on them". The specific aims are: knowing the structure, hypothesis, empirical validity and implications of each theoretical theory. The student should be able to plan a research theoretically oriented. Furthermore, the student should be able to analyze a criminological problem and make suggestions for primary, secondary o tertiary crime prevention based on theory.

## Content

## **A) FIRST SEMESTER: THEORIES OF CRIME**

1. Introduction
2. Rational choice theory
3. Biological theories
4. Ecological theories
5. Differential association theory
6. Anomy theory
7. Theories of gang delinquency
8. Control theory
9. Labelling theory
10. Critical Criminology
11. Integrated theories.
12. Balance of theories.

## **B) SECOND SEMESTER: THEORIES FOR ESPECIFIC ISSUES**

1. Life-course theories of criminological development
2. Family and crime
3. Peers and crime
4. Gender and crime
5. School and crime
6. Immigration and crime
7. Social welfare and crime
8. Neighborhood and crime
9. Spaces and crime
10. Religion and crime
11. Exclusion, reintegration and crime
12. Desistance
13. Theory and practice.