

External Practicum

Code: 100435
ECTS Credits: 12

Degree	Type	Year	Semester
2500257 Criminology	OT	4	0

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Use of Languages

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

Prerequisites

Prerequisites to enrol on Practicum

To register in the practicum it is requested to meet two requirements:

- (I) Candidates must have passed all the subjects of the first year of degree
- (II) Candidates must have passed at least two thirds of the total number of credits of the degree (160 ECTS)

Objectives and Contextualisation

The practicum of the Degree in Criminology is a training activity performed by students and supervised by the University.

The general aims are the following:

- Allow students to implement and complement the knowledge acquired during the development of the courses
- Stimulate the acquisition of skills that prepare for professional activities
- Improve their employability
- Promote their entrepreneurial capacity

The practicum is intended to achieve the following specific objectives:

- Give the students the opportunity to apply their skills in the professional framework
- Give the students the opportunity to learn the methodology of work in the professional field.
- Develop new technical, communicative and participative skills.
- Promote innovation, creativity and entrepreneurship values.

- Provide experience to facilitate access to the job market

Competences

- Applying a crime prevention program at a community level.
- Applying an intervention program to offenders, being capable of applying the pedagogical construct of the criminological intervention techniques.
- Applying an intervention proposal about a person serving a sentence.
- Assessing the results of a prevention or intervention program when crime is concerned.
- Assessing the victim's needs in order to carry out an intervention proposal.
- Carrying out a victim care program.
- Carrying out the criminological intervention on the basis of the values of pacification, social integration and prevention of further conflicts.
- Designing a crime prevention program.
- Drawing up an academic text.
- Respectfully interacting with other people.
- Using non-discriminatory and respectful language when referring to the several parties involved in conflict and criminality.
- Using the evaluation techniques of criminogenic risk and needs of a person in order to decide an intervention proposal.
- Working in teams and networking.

Learning Outcomes

1. Acting in the criminological field for integrity and prevention purposes.
2. Applying an effective evaluative model in order to detect the criminological intervention needs in prison population.
3. Appropriately applying the evaluation techniques of criminological problems.
4. Detecting the actions that must be carried out with victims of a crime by using evaluation techniques.
5. Drawing up an academic text.
6. Effectively and individually implementing a criminological intervention.
7. Preparing a prevention program.
8. Preparing an intervention program for crime victims.
9. Properly implementing a community prevention program.
10. Properly implementing a prevention program in the penitentiary field.
11. Respectfully interacting with other people.
12. Verbally explaining non-discriminatory arguments addressed to the parties of a crime.
13. Working in teams and networking.

Content

Outline

The Internship curriculum of the Bachelor of Criminology has a workload of 12 ECTS credits, equal to 300 hours, 200 of which will be carried out in the place of the jobs, 50 hours are intended to prepare students in specific issues of professional work and the other 50 area intended preparation of the final report (50 hours). In the Prevention and Security mention, the handing out of an exercise related to professional ethics is added (20 hours).

The timetables for carrying out the practicum are established taking into accounts the needs of the job settlement.

Allocation

A list of available positions is published at the beginning of the academic year. Students chose the available position by order of their average marks in the degree. Some positions have specific requirements.

Training project

Once the student is assigned to a specific place, a statement containing the educational aims of the practicum will be signed by the University coordinator of the practicum, the tutor of the student in the job placement and the student.

Specialization in crime prevention and security

Students that are enrolled in this specialization of the degree need to develop during the practicum the skills to develop and implement public policies that are useful to reduce crime, anti-social behaviour and to increase feeling of security among the public.

The skills that students need to reinforce during the practicum are the following:

- Be able to analyse and explain crime problems
- Be able to analyse and explain insecurity and fear of crime
- Be able to design, implement and evaluate prevention programs

Some of the places in the catalog in this mention are: Small and medium-sized private security companies; Private security multinationals, security in hotels, Local Administration-Local Police or Autonomous Administration, such as Mossos d'Esquadra.

Specialization in sentence enforcement

Students enrolled in this specialization should be able to develop group and personal programs aimed at enforcing criminal sanctions with the aim of promoting reduction of recidivism and community and victim restoration.

The skills that students need to reinforce during the practicum are the following

- Be able to assess the criminogenic needs of offenders and write an intervention plan
- Be able to write a pre-sentence report to judges
- Be able to manage an effective supervision plan to a person serving a sentence
- Be able to attend to the needs of the victim related to reparation, protection, participation and overcoming the harms of crime.
- Be able to manage a restoration process and attend to the needs of the victims

Some of the places in our catalog in this mention are: Penitentiary Institutions; Department of integration of the Generalitat; associations / cooperatives / foundations of the third sector that work in the care of victims and offenders; Department of Justice with delegates of alternative criminal measures or law firms.

Methodology

Tutorial procedure

- Students will have two tutors: the academic tutor and the job settlement tutor.
- The job settlement tutor will be responsible for advising and supervising the student during his/her stage. The job settlement tutor will write a final assessment.
- The academic tutor will be the coordinator of the practicum. The tutor would be responsible to prepare the student for the access of the job settlement through seminars and tutorials.

- The academic tutor will be in touch with the job settlement tutor to be reported on the evolution of the student. In case the student needs to improve his/her work, the academic supervisor will meet the student and take the appropriate measures.

Activities

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Group tutorials	10	0.4	1, 3, 2, 4, 8, 12, 9, 10, 6, 5, 11, 7, 13
seminars	15	0.6	1, 3, 2, 4, 8, 12, 9, 10, 6, 5, 11, 7, 13
Type: Supervised			
Final report	25	1	1, 3, 2, 4, 8, 12, 9, 10, 6, 5, 11, 7, 13
Work in the job settlement	200	8	1, 3, 2, 4, 8, 12, 9, 10, 6, 5, 11, 7, 13
Type: Autonomous			
Preparation of seminars	50	2	1, 3, 2, 4, 8, 12, 9, 10, 6, 5, 11, 7, 13

Assessment

Items of the evaluation

- Final report of the Job settlement tutor: 70%.
- Final report of the student and attendance and participation in seminars and tutorials: 30%

Criteria for evaluation

Final report of the job settlement tutor (70%)

Aspects that need to be assessed are the following: Technical capacity, Learning ability, Job management, Communication skills, Sense of responsibility, Adaptation, Creativity and initiative, Personal Implication, Motivation, Receptivity to criticism, Punctuality, Relation with the environment, Teamwork ability.

Final report of the student: (15%)

The memory of practices is an academic work that is presented to the tutor of the university.

The report must include the following aspects: a) description of the job placement; b) description of the performed tasks; c) problems happened during the practicum and solutions implemented; d) skills improved during the practicum

Maximum extension: 7000 words.

Participation (15%)

Active participation in seminars and initiative in the definition of the educational project will be positively valued.

It is mandatory to obtain a minimum grade of 5 in each of the three areas to pass the subject.

Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Practicum in the job settlement	70%	0	0	1, 3, 2, 4, 8, 12, 9, 10, 6, 5, 11, 7, 13
Work outside of the work settlement	30%	0	0	1, 3, 2, 4, 8, 12, 9, 10, 6, 5, 11, 7, 13

Bibliography

Recommended bibliography

Statute of the University Student, available at:

https://www.uab.cat/Document/762/281/Estatuto_estudiantes2010.pdf