

Crime Prevention

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Criminology	OB	2

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Prerequisites

It's recommended to have passed the courses of Pedagogy and Introduction to Criminology.

The subject will be taught taking into account the perspective of the Sustainable Development Goals

The Seminary 13 will be in Spanish language

Objectives and Contextualisation

The general objectives are the following:

Students of the criminology degree will be able to:

1. Applying the knowledge of criminological theories to the experiences of conflict and criminality, and suggest appropriate responses according to the existing legal framework.
2. Suggest answers to the problems of crime and social conflict, taking into account the rights and interests of all parties involved and considering the values of solving social conflicts, social integration and preventing new conflicts.

In this context, the subject of crime prevention programs have the following specific objectives:

1. Identify appropriate preventive measures for criminological problems

2. Know how to choose and implement properly the different models of crime prevention.
3. Design crime prevention programs
4. Apply criminological methods of research in the field of crime prevention.

Competences

- Ability to analyse and summarise.
- Applying a crime prevention program at a community level.
- Applying an intervention proposal about a person serving a sentence.
- Assessing the results of a prevention or intervention program when crime is concerned.
- Carrying out the criminological intervention on the basis of the values of pacification, social integration and prevention of further conflicts.
- Demonstrating a comprehension of the victim's needs on the basis of the knowledge of victimological theories.
- Designing a crime prevention program.
- Drawing up an academic text.
- Identifying existing social resources to intervene in the conflict and criminality.
- Students must demonstrate a comprehension of the best crime prevention and intervention models for each specific problem.
- Students must demonstrate they know a variety of criminal policies in order to face criminality and its different foundations.
- Students must demonstrate they know the legal framework and operating model of the crime control agents.
- Using research methods in social sciences in order to diagnose criminality problems.
- Using the evaluation techniques of criminogenic risk and needs of a person in order to decide an intervention proposal.
- Verbally transmitting ideas to an audience.
- Working autonomously.
- Working in teams and networking.

Learning Outcomes

1. Ability to analyse and summarise.
2. Acting in a professional way in the criminological field for pacifying, social integration and delinquency-prevention purposes.
3. Applying a prevention program for crime control agents.
4. Applying an effective evaluative model in order to detect the criminological intervention needs in prison population.
5. Appropriately applying social resources to criminality.
6. Appropriately managing a security or prevention team.
7. Carrying out a results analysis of a delinquency prevention program.
8. Correctly describing in the criminological field the legal-penal framework and crime control agents.
9. Demonstrating they know the means and scientific procedures of crime prevention.
10. Developing a security plan in the private field.
11. Drawing up a delinquency prevention program.
12. Drawing up an academic text.
13. Effectively and individually implementing a criminological intervention.
14. Effectively developing a delinquency prevention program in the community area.
15. Intervening in the criminological field for pacifying, conciliatory and crime-prevention purposes.
16. Knowing the structural prevention strategy of delinquency.
17. Producing a social prevention program of delinquency.
18. Properly using the criminological prevention and intervention programs.
19. Students must be capable of carrying out a security audit in the public field.

20. Using risk analysis methods in the field of safety.
21. Verbally transmitting ideas to an audience.
22. Working autonomously.
23. Working in teams and networking.

Content

Chapter I. Basic concepts of prevention

1. Introduction
- 1.1. Basic concepts
- 1.2. Primary, secondary and tertiary crime prevention
2. Risk and Protection Analysis.
- 2.1. Static and dynamics risk factors.
- 2.2. Triple criminal risk
3. Management of criminal risk
- 3.1. Needs detection.
- 3.2. Assessment instruments and tools.
4. Design and evaluation of a prevention program

Chapter II. Theoretical models of crime prevention

4. Classic and neoclassic model
5. Situational model
6. Ecological model. CPTED (*Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design*)
7. Developmental and social prevention. Micro-level
- 7.1. Family. New concepts and models
- 7.2. School and peer groups
8. Developmental and social prevention. Macro-level
- 8.1. Community
- 8.2. Mass media
9. Victim prevention programs

Chapter III. Cyber Crime. Cyber Prevention.

10. Cyber Crime. Methods and Models changes.
11. Micro and macro Cybercrime. Transnational organizations.
12. Social networking in prevention

13. Technological challengers of crime prevention. Machine learning and AI

Activities and Methodology

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Lectures	19.5	0.78	2, 5, 3, 14, 7, 15, 11, 12, 17, 1, 21, 22, 23, 18
Seminars	19.5	0.78	2, 5, 3, 14, 7, 15, 11, 12, 17, 1, 21, 22, 23, 18
Type: Supervised			
Exam	5	0.2	5, 9, 7, 1, 22, 18
Type: Autonomous			
Group work (Search for material, discussion, presentation preparation)	30	1.2	2, 5, 4, 3, 16, 9, 8, 14, 10, 7, 6, 15, 11, 12, 17, 1, 21, 22, 23, 18, 20
Work planning reading, reflection of materials and preparation of individual works.	76	3.04	2, 5, 3, 9, 8, 14, 7, 6, 13, 15, 11, 12, 17, 1, 21, 22, 23, 18

The following methodologies will be used:

1. Lectures, with documents, videos and presentations.
2. Seminars in which students will present the progress in the group work, and cases studies will be discussed.
3. Guided tour of the old prison "la Modelo" in Barcelona.
4. Students are advised to ask for tutorials to progress in the individual and group learning.
5. Individual assignments. Two individual essays.
6. Work group. Students need to research, plan, elaborate and deliver a crime prevention program.
7. Individual work to prepare the exam (part one will consist of a multiple-choice exam and second part with require students to analyze real cases).

Annotation: Within the schedule set by the centre or degree programme, 15 minutes of one class will be reserved for students to evaluate their lecturers and their courses or modules through questionnaires.

Assessment

Continuous Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
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Final Exam	35%	0	0	2, 5, 3, 16, 9, 14, 7, 15, 11, 12, 17, 1, 21, 22, 23, 18
Group research project	25%	0	0	2, 5, 4, 3, 9, 8, 14, 10, 7, 6, 15, 11, 12, 17, 19, 1, 21, 22, 23, 18, 20
Individual assignments (2)	30%	0	0	2, 5, 3, 8, 14, 7, 13, 15, 11, 12, 17, 1, 21, 22, 23, 18
Seminar assignments / tasks	10%	0	0	2, 5, 3, 14, 7, 15, 11, 12, 17, 1, 21, 22, 23, 18

CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

1. Conditions to be evaluated

Students will be assessed if they have carried out a set of activities whose weight is equivalent to a minimum of 2/3 of the total grade for the subject. If the value of the activities carried out does not reach this threshold, the subject's teaching staff may consider the student as non-assessable.

2. Items of evaluation

Individual works (30%), Group work (25%), Final exam (35%), Seminar tasks (10%)

3. Requirements to pass the subject

Students need to obtain a minimum grade of 5 in each one of the assessment activities.

Minimum attendance of 80% in lectures and seminars is compulsory. Justifications of non-attendance are only accepted for illness or similar reasons.

Students need to participate actively in lectures and seminars, as well as presenting the two individual assignments, the group research project, and the final exam. Out of time submissions are not accepted.

4. Resit

Students will have the opportunity to resit when they fail any of the assessed activities.

5. Consequences of fraud

Students that cheat or attempt to cheat in the exam will get a 0, losing the right to a second chance. Plagiarism will conduct to a fail of the essay and, in case of recidivism the student will receive a fail mark.

6. Punctuality

Classes start on time. Late arrival and leaving the class before the end is not admitted. Except justified cases.

7. All students are required to have a respectful attitude towards the rest of the student o UAB's community. No offensive or discriminatory behavior (due to birth, race, sex, religion, opinion, or any others personal or social are circumstance) will be tolerated during classes.

8. Artificial Intelligence (AI) To use this technologies is allowed as an integral part of the development of the work, provided that the final result reflects a significant contribution by the student in the analysis and personal reflection. Students must clearly identify which parts have been generated with this technology, specify the tools used and include a critical reflection on how these have influenced the process and the final result of the activity. The lack of transparency in the use of AI will be considered a lack of academic honesty and may lead to a penalty in the grade of the activity, or greater sanctions in serious cases that will be liked as plagiarism.

SINGLE ASSESSMENT

According to the Faculty of Law, the single evaluation can be carried out, with finaly exam. This exam will consist of a theorical section documented in the bibliography (50%), second part a practical of the work in the

seminar (30%), and a task about criminal court sentence (20%). If you will not pass the single test, you should take a final recovery exam. <https://www.uab.cat/doc/PautesAvaluacioUnica>

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Software

Virtual Campus of UAB. Moodle classroom.

Groups and Languages

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Name	Group	Language	Semester	Turn
(SEM30) Seminaris (30 estudiants per grup)	11	Catalan	first semester	morning-mixed
(SEM30) Seminaris (30 estudiants per grup)	12	Catalan	first semester	morning-mixed
(SEM30) Seminaris (30 estudiants per grup)	13	Spanish	first semester	morning-mixed
(TE) Theory	1	Catalan	first semester	morning-mixed