



COURSE DATA

DATA SUBJECT

Code: 35082
Name: International criminal law
Cycle: Undergraduate Studies
ECTS Credits: 4.5
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STUDY (S)

Degree	Center	Acad. year	Period
1302 - Degree in Criminology	Facultat de Dret	4	First quarter
1923 - Double Degree Programme Law-Criminology	Facultat de Dret	4	First quarter

SUBJECT-MATTER

Degree	Subject-matter	Character
1302 - Degree in Criminology	Applied criminology	ELECTIVES
1923 - Double Degree Programme Law-Criminology	Year 4 optional subjects	ELECTIVES

COORDINATION

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SUMMARY

The subject "International criminal law" is an elective for the Degree in Criminology and is part of its " Applied Criminology" specialization consisting of six electives, namely Organized crime, Psychobiology of violence, Social and preventive community intervention, Applied toxicology, Technical English and International criminal law. The teaching of these subjects is located in the fourth year of the curriculum.

The subject "International criminal law" is allocated 4.5 ECTS credits. Through the teaching of this course, it is intended that students become aware of the progressive internationalization of criminal legal institutions and the consequent emergence of standards and international bodies intended to incriminate, impute and suppress certain types of behaviors of individuals. To this end, its content of the same focuses on the identification and examination of the main international crimes, the imputation of those responsible and forms of participation in the commission of the crime, as well as judicial competence and domestic and international procedures established for its repression. This main content will be preceded by an introduction to international standards and then followed by the specific provisions of European legislation in this area.

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PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER SUBJECTS OF THE SAME DEGREE

There are no specified enrollment restrictions with other subjects of the curriculum.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

The curriculum of the Degree in Criminology provides no prerequisites to take this elective. However, the understanding of the content in this matter requires prior knowledge of Criminal Law and International Law. Students will acquire knowledge of Criminal Law through the relevant subjects under modules in core and compulsory subjects of the curriculum. The knowledge of International Law necessary may be learnt in the Thematic Unit I of this subject, which will include content aimed at the students familia

COMPETENCES / LEARNING OUTCOMES

1302 - Degree in Criminology

Saber aplicar las teorías criminológicas en la elaboración de políticas públicas centradas en la prevención del delito y la atención a la víctima.

Saber utilizar un lenguaje técnico que permita expresar los conceptos correctamente y desde una perspectiva de género.

Ser capaz de analizar el delito, el delincuente y la víctima, y diseñar estrategias de prevención e intervención, desde el respeto a los derechos humanos, la igualdad entre hombres y mujeres, la paz, sostenibilidad, accesibilidad universal y diseño para todos y valores democráticos.

Ser capaz de apreciar la complejidad y diversidad del fenómeno criminal.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS

1. PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW: INTRODUCTION

1.The definition of International law. 2. The features of International law.3. International law sources. 4. The implementation of International law. 5. Specialities of Internaional criminal law

2. TYPES OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMES

1.Introduction. 2. Crime of aggression. 3. War crimes. 4. Crimes against humanity. 5. Crime of genocide. 6. Other crimes of International interest



3. THE ATTRIBUTION OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY

1. Introduction. 2. The attribution of individual criminal responsibility. 3. The attribution of superior responsibility. The international responsibility of the State for the commission of international crimes. Circumstances precluding international criminal responsibility. The consequences of the attribution of international criminal responsibility: sanctions

4. THE OBLIGATION TO PROSECUTE INTERNATIONAL CRIMES

1.The principle aut dedere aut iudicare. 2. The jurisdiction of national courts. 3. The principle of universal jurisdiction. 4. The jurisdiction of international ad hoc criminal tribunals and hybrid courts. 5. The jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court

5. EUROPEAN CRIMINAL LAW

1. The emergence of European criminal law. 2. The criminal types in European criminal law. 3. European police cooperation in criminal matters. 4. European judicial cooperation in criminal matters

WORKLOAD

PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES

Activity	Hours
Theoretical and practical classes	45,00
Total hours	45,00

NON PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES

Activity	Hours
Attendance at other activities	0,00
Individual or group project	0,00
Independent study and work	44,00
Preparation of lessons	0,00
Preparation for assessment activities	23,00
Resolution of case studies	0,00
Total hours	67,00

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

The teaching of the subject International criminal law comprises a set of classroom activities, directed and autonomous, to be developed in the first semester of the academic year. Classroom activities consist of



the development of theoretical and applied classes that may be supplemented with seminars, tutorials, etc ... The development of theoretical and applied classes will employ various teaching methods such as lecture, the resolution of cases, etc ... the combination of classroom activities adds up to 45 hours. Classroom activities will be completed with the realization by students, teacher-led activities and will include the preparation of papers, preparation of exercises, etc. ...

These directed activities shall not exceed 23 hours. Finally, classroom activities independent and directed will be followed by, the student, for which there is provided a maximum of 45 hours. The computation of hours of different teaching activities has been calculated based on the number of ECTS credits assigned to the course: 4.5.

EVALUATION

The evaluation system

Each professor may indicate in the annex to his/her teaching guide the existence of any minimum requirement to pass the subject (either in relation to the global exam or to the continuous assessment). If no minimum requirement is established in the annex, it will be understood that there is no minimum requirement in the global exam or in the continuous evaluation to pass the subject.

A-Written and/or oral test(s), consisting of one or more exams that may be objective, include theoretical-practical questions and/or problems.

B- Continuous evaluation of each student, based on regular attendance and active participation in the proposed face-to-face activities, such as the practical realization or participation in workshops, the preparation and/or delivery of papers, reports and/or oral presentations on such activities, individually or collectively, all taking into consideration the degree of involvement and effort of the student in the teaching-learning process and the skills and attitudes shown during the development of such activities.

C- Continuous evaluation of each student, based on the student's attendance to seminars or visits to institutions; and, where appropriate, delivery of papers, reports, reports and/or oral presentations on the activity carried out, individually or collectively, all taking into consideration the degree of involvement and effort of the student in the teaching-learning process and the skills and attitudes shown during the development of such activity.

Weighting

The overall test is to be valued between 50% and 70% of the final grade of the course, while the set of continuous evaluation activities is to be valued in the remaining proportion.

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