

Rule of Law and Criminal Justice

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Department assigned to the subject: Criminal Law, Procedural Law and History Law Department

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Type: Compulsory ECTS Credits : 3.0

Year : 1 Semester : 1

OBJECTIVES

1. Students should be responsible for drafting quality legal reports .
2. That students experience a development in their abilities to function in criminal investigative sufficient for academic tasks.
3. That students become proficient in the access and management of legal information sources specific to the Criminal Justice.
4. Have students display able to develop scientific and legal texts and carry out effectively their analysis.
5. That students a thorough knowledge of the legal procedures that make up the criminal justice system necessary for the proper performance of judicial functions.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME**I. THE CURRENT CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS AND ITS ORIGINS**

1. Introduction to criminal proceedings. 1.1 Purpose. 1.2 Models. 1.3 Principles of the proceedings. 1.4 Principles of the procedure. 2. Evolution of criminal proceedings. 2.1 From the inquisitorial system to accusatory one. 2.2 From the Criminal Law of offender to the Criminal Law of the criminal act. 2.3 Guarantees.

II. CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES OF CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

1. Approach. 2. The right to effective judicial protection. 3. The right to judge predetermined by law. 4. The right to defense and technical assistance. 5. The right to be informed of the charge. 6. The right to a public trial without undue delays. 7. The right to use evidence appropriate to the defense. 8. The right not to make self-incriminating statements and not to plead guilty one-self. 9. The right to presumption of innocence.

III. RIGHT TO A FAIR PROCEEDINGS

1. The right to a trial with all the guarantees: 1.1 The formal charge; 1.2. The adoption of investigation measures that limit personal rights; 1.3. Principle of jurisdictional exclusivity or jurisdictional exceptions; 1.4. Measures related to the personal liberty: arrest and custody; 1.5. The compliance with the principles of accusation, contradiction, equality, orality and immediacy.

IV. EVIDENCE AND CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

1. The principles related to the evidence. 2. Evidence gathered before the trial. 3 Pre-constituted evidence. 4. Illicit evidence.

V. THE TAXPAYER OF CRIMINAL PROSECUTION

1. The right to the presumption of innocence. 2. Non-restraint of passive part of the criminal proceedings: subject and object of the process.

VI. CRIMINAL ACTION AND ACCUSATION BROUGHT IN THE NAME OF THE PEOPLE (POPULAR ACCUSATION)

1. Holders of criminal action. 1.1. The public accusation. 1.2 The private accusation. 1.3 The popular accusation. 1.4 The private accusation.

VII. THE VICTIM IN THE CRIMINAL PROCESS

1. The status of the victim of crime. 2. Development of the status of the victim and victim support services.

VIII. PENAL REFORM PROCESS AND ITS CHALLENGES

1. Challenge of the criminal law. 2. Core guidelines of the criminal process. 3. Evolution.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

Training activities:

Case-law analysis

Analysis of comparative law

Analysis of reports of different international entities

Practice

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

ORDINARY CALL:

- Up to 15% participation in the forum
- Up to 45% resolution of a practical case or opinion
- Up to 40% multiple choice exam

The student must obtain at least a mark of 3 out of 6 in the continuous evaluation (forum and resolution of a practical case / opinion), and of 1.8 out of 4 in the multiple choice exam. If she does not obtain said score, he will be suspended and must attend the extraordinary call.

EXTRAORDINARY CALL:

- 100% Examination.

% end-of-term-examination:	40
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% of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...):	60
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