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Researchs in Criminal Politics

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information below is subject to change, in particular that concerning the teaching mode (presential, distance or in a comodal or hybrid format).

6 credits	30.0 h	Q2

Teacher(s)	Devresse Marie-Sophie ;				
Language :	French				
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve				
Prerequisites	The prerequisite(s) for this Teaching Unit (Unité d'enseignement – UE) for the programmes/courses that offer this Teaching Unit are specified at the end of this sheet.				
Main themes	The definition of criminal policy as a means of combating criminal phenomena will be considered in relation to the concepts of public and penal policy. We shall examine how the concept of a criminal policy has evolved, alongside the development of general State intervention mechanisms with reference to, contemporary scientific literature and on the basis selected policy documents.				
	Concrete examples of actual criminal policies will be studied. These will provide the opportunity to highlight the more specific concepts employed in the field of criminal policy (prevention, effectiveness, expertise, criminology, etc), along with the use of scientific knoledge in defining and implementing these policies.				
	In addition, they will allow students to assess the research methods used alongside the available methods, and to examine the role of the researcher and the expert in the process of evaluating criminal policies.				
Aims	- To master the key theoretical skills required to analyze the formulation and implementation of criminal policies.				
	- To understand how criminal policies are developed and how they evolve.				
	 To understand the role played by scientific knowledge in both the formulation and implementation of criminal policies. 				
	- To understand the key relevant methodological tools available for research and evaluation in this field.				
	- To familiarize students with concrete examples of research undertaken in this field				
	The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".				
Evaluation methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. The whole seminar aims at the elaboration of a research project presented in the form of a reasoned plan for an article or a scientific poster.				
Teaching methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. During the seminar, students will be asked (individually or in small groups) to contribute to theoretical analysis, to analyze examples of specific criminal policies and to consider research hypotheses in various fields. Some sessions of the course will be delivered as ex cathedra courses. Sessions related to the research carried out will be interactive and oriented towards the construction of personal work. Students will be asked to facilitate some sessions by presenting their work.				
Content	On the basis of an understanding of the different meanings of the term "criminal policy", the course aims, first, to present some theoretical models of criminal policy and to illustrate them through research carried out on the subject in various fields (drugs, terrorism, domestic or intra-family violence, etc.).				
	It will then study specific crime-fighting mechanisms and practices, and will examine various models for the evaluation of these policies. Such an approach will help to develop knowledge about research tools used in order to found criminal policy and to ensure its monitoring and evaluation.				
Inline resources	On Moodle:				
	Compulsory and optional reading materials				
	PowerPoints of ex-cathedra sessions Research and evaluation reports presented as examples				
Other infos	The course programme will be drawn up together with the students. A recommended reading list will be provided, possibly including a number of compulsory texts.				

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Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims		
Master [120] in Criminology	CRIM2M	6	LCRIM2101 AND LCRIM2105 AND LCRIM2106 AND LCRIM2109 AND LCRIM2110	•		