



# UNIVERSITY OF NIŠ

**Course Unit Descriptor**

**Faculty**

**Faculty of Law**

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Study program	Undergraduate Academic Law Study Program (LL.B. degree-240 ECTS)
Study Module (if applicable)	/
Course title	<b>Criminology</b>
Level of study	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bachelor <input type="checkbox"/> Master's <input type="checkbox"/> Doctoral
Type of course	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Obligatory <input type="checkbox"/> Elective
Semester	<input type="checkbox"/> Autumn <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spring
Year of study	3rd year of undergraduate studies
Number of ECTS allocated	7 ECTS
Name of lecturer/lecturers	Prof. Miomira Kostic, LL.D., Full Professor; Doc. Darko Dimovski, LL.D. Assistant Professor
Teaching mode	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lectures <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Group tutorials <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual tutorials <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laboratory work <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project work <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seminar <input type="checkbox"/> Distance learning <input type="checkbox"/> Blended learning <input type="checkbox"/> Other

## PURPOSE AND OVERVIEW (max. 5 sentences)

*The aim of the course is: to introduce students to the general concepts of crime and delinquency, both globally and in Serbia; to develop understanding about the nature, forms, structure, structural changes and dynamics of crime; to examine the causes of crime at the macro and micro level; to develop theoretical understanding of methods and proceedings in criminology; to analyze specific cases of criminal conduct (case law).*

**Outcomes:** Students are expected to: 1) be prepared to understand the importance of studying crime and the need for society to combat crime; 2) understand how the study the phenomenological and etiological characteristics of crime can practically contribute to the creation of various crime prevention programs; 3) be prepared to describe the causes of crime and to identify inaccurate and unacceptable theoretical assumptions about the causes of crime; 4) be able to compare the different theoretical views on the causes of crime and perceive the advantage and disadvantages of each theory; 5) form a critical opinion on crime; 6) conduct an evaluation of modern means of social reaction to crime through the instruments of formal and informal social control; 7) demonstrate practical application of theoretical knowledge on crime when considering individual cases of criminal behaviour (case law).

## SYLLABUS (brief outline and summary of topics, max. 10 sentences)

*Lectures: Theoretical teaching*

Different views on the concept and subject of Criminology. The concept of crime (criminal law and sociological definitions of the crime). The classification of Criminology (criminal phenomenology and etiology of crime, general and clinical Criminology, university and applied Criminology). Criminological methods. Types of crime; regional characteristics of crime. Explanation of causality in Criminology. Criminological theories. Criminogenic factors. Victimological approach. *Practical classes: criminological research and research project; the art of knowing the dark figures of crime; methods of gathering facts; statistical records and statistical methods of criminological research and feminist methodology; typology of crime.*

**LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION**

Serbian (complete course)       English (complete course)       Other \_\_\_\_\_ (complete course)  
 Serbian with English mentoring       Serbian with other mentoring \_\_\_\_\_

**ASSESSMENT METHODS AND CRITERIA**

Pre exam duties	Points	Final exam	Points
Activity during lectures	0-10 (0-5-attendance)	Written examination	/
Practical teaching	0-15 (Seminar paper 0-6), Test (0-6)	Oral examination	0-50
Teaching colloquia	0-8	OVERALL SUM	100

**\*Final examination mark is formed in accordance with the Institutional documents**