



UNIVERSITY OF NIŠ

Course Unit Descriptor

Faculty

Faculty of Law

GENERAL INFORMATION

Study program

Post-graduate (LLD degree) Academic Law Study Program

Study Module (if applicable)

Criminal Law

Course title

Penology

Level of study

Bachelor Master's Doctoral

Type of course

Obligatory Elective

Semester

Autumn Spring

Year of study

2nd year of doctoral studies

Number of ECTS allocated

12 ECTS

Name of lecturer/lecturers

Prof. dr Miomira Kostic, Asst. Prof. dr Darko Dimovski

Teaching mode

Lectures Group tutorials Individual tutorials
 Laboratory work Project work Seminar
 Distance learning Blended learning Other

PURPOSE AND OVERVIEW (max. 5 sentences)

The aim of the course is to develop the scientific knowledge and theoretical concepts in the field of Penology, to acquire competences and academic skills, to develop creative abilities and master specific practical skills needed for future career of doctors of criminal science. Upon completion of this course, students will acquire the necessary knowledge, competences and skills which will enable them: 1) to develop a systematic approach to legal problems, and offer critical and analytical responses related to penology issues; 2) to develop the ability to competently and scientifically discuss, research and present the results of their scientific work at scientific conferences, and have their papers published in scientific journals; 3) to independently solve practical and theoretical problems in the field of criminal justice, organize and conduct scientific research; 4) to take part in international and national research projects; 5) to competently analyse modern achievements in the profession and put the acquired knowledge into practice, especially in the context of exercising the fundamental principles of the rule of law.

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

Contents: Theoretical study

The development of penology in modern society. The most important international documents for the development of penology and penitentiary practice. The application of restorative justice in penology. Different penitentiary systems and

forms of punishment throughout history. Alternative sanctions. Development of penitentiary institutions and their categorization. The formal penitentiary system:- organization and staff management. Prisons for women and treatment of prisoners. Prisoner community. The treatment of prisoners.

Practical classes (classes, other forms of instruction, research work)

Methods of studying the personality of the convicted offender. Methods of studying individual cases. Clinical methods: observation, experiment, testing: survey, interview; measurement; statistical records and statistical methods. Application of alternative and diversionary measures against juveniles in conflict with the law. Field visits to penitentiary institutions.

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	0-15	Written examination	0-10
Practical teaching	0-10	Oral examination	0-50
Teaching colloquia	0-10 (Seminar paper 0-5)	OVERALL SUM	100

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