UCLouvain

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Ethical Issues in Criminology

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 ;Kaminski Dan ;			
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 course includes two parts, one of which focuses on deontology in criminology, the second of the ethical issues of the criminological practices. The aim of the first part of the course is to consider the connections between law, deontology and ethics. What norms relate to the criminologist's actions? What is their field of application? What is their compulsory power? To what extent does their application require an ethical decision to be made by the criminologist? The second part relates more particularly to the ethical questions that may present themselves to criminologists in their work. From a general point of view, in terms of what conception(s) of mankind is criminological knowledge organised? In relation to which of society's projects do criminological knowledge and practice find their ethical and social justification? More specifically, criminological practice is often confronted with difficult choices: many dilemmas and paradoxes touch on it (among which, for example, is the duality of functions of aid in the broad sense, and of functions of control). Divese criminological professions and problematics are studied by the way of collective discussions on texts and with experts and fieldworkers.			
Aims	The purpose of the course is to introduce the student to the main ethical questions which arise in contemporary philosophy, to demonstrate the meaning and the importance of these issues and to construct an deontological and ethical framework for action in the field of criminology. 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. Written exam with open questions (developments)			
Teaching methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. The course is interactive. After introductory theory sessions, students will divide into thematic groups and prepare to facilitate the thematic sessions that will follow. The health situation may require methodological changes.			
Content	The first part of the course is devoted to the ethical aspects of criminological professions. Various sectors of intervention and various issues will be encountered through readings and the broadcast of films or documentaries.			
Inline resources	Required and optional reading texts available on Moodle			
Other infos	Attendance is imperative at the first class, but also at all other sessions. This is due to the specific pedagogy, which will be presented during the first session during which choices will be made for the rest of the course, involving the students. Students who already know that they will not be able to attend the first class or who have difficulties in ensuring regular attendance are asked to switch to another elective course.			
Faculty or entity in charge	ECRI			

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)					
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims	
Certificat d'université en éthique économique et sociale	ETES9CE	6		•	
Master [120] in Criminology	CRIM2M	6	LCRIM2103 AND LCRIM2105 AND LCRIM2106 AND LCRIM2107 AND LCRIM2109 AND LCRIM2110 AND LCRIM2112	•	