

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).

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Teacher(s)	Vandermeersch Damien ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes	<p>The study of criminal law is centered on the knowledge and understanding of the general principles of criminal law; on the constituent elements of the offense; on the rules relative to the perpetrator, as well as on the relevant penalties and their application.</p> <p>By way of example, we enumerate a few topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Under what conditions can an individual find himself in a situation justifying the use of force in self-defense?</li> <li>- Can a minor (or a person suffering from mental disorder) be tried by criminal court?</li> <li>- What is a suspended sentence on probation and under what conditions can it be adjudged?</li> </ul> <p>In this part, the professor outlines basic rights, such as the presumption of innocence, the right to remain silent, the right to a fair trial, the rights of the defense, the right to individual freedom, the inviolability of the home - and their concrete implications. The course covers a prosecution, describing the role and the powers of the various players (prosecution, defense, party seeking civil damages, judge, etc.).</p>
Aims	<i>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".</i>
Evaluation methods	<b>Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change.</b> Written examination.
Content	The course relies on written materials which contain the basis of the knowledge which the student must master and on lectures whose purpose is to illustrate the course content with concrete cases.
Bibliography	• Damien Vandermeersch, "Eléments de droit pénal et de procédure pénale", Bruges, La Chartre, 2003.
Faculty or entity in charge	ECRI