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Ethical Issues in Criminology

6.00 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.				
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to :				
	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.				
Evaluation methods	Attendance at this course is required. In accordance with article 72 of the General Regulations for Studies and Examinations, the Professors may propose to the jury that a student who has at least three unjustified absences for the course, be refused registration for the June or September session.				
	The evaluation aims to measure the acquisition of the learning outcomes specified above.				
	For this course, students are assessed on the basis of a written examination (in French and open book) including one or more essay questions of equivalent weight (100% of the final mark).				
Teaching methods	The course is interactive. After introductory theory sessions, students will divide into thematic groups and prepare to facilitate the thematic sessions that will follow, with the construction and the elucidation of ethical dilemmas				
Content	The first part of the course is devoted to the ethical aspects of criminological professions. Three 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 will be presented during the first session during which choices will be made for the rest of the 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	ECRI				
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Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes		
Master [120] in Criminology	CRIM2M	6	LCRIM2103 AND LCRIM2105 AND LCRIM2106 AND LCRIM2107 AND LCRIM2109 AND LCRIM2110 AND LCRIM2112	•		
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