

Faculty of Law



ECRI2109 Penology

[30h] 3 credits

Teacher(s): Fabienne Brion
Language: French
Level: Second cycle

Aims

- ° Expose the major theories and fundamental concepts in sociology of punishment
- ° Analyse the inferences that can be drawn from historical or empirical observations of concrete systems of legal punishment
- ° Develop analytical skills, e.g. elementary demographical skills, required for critical evaluation of legal punishment, prison and imprisonment.

Main themes

The course surveys major theoretical approaches to

- (1) the social meanings, functions and effects of legal punishment
- (2) the social meanings, functions and effects of prison and imprisonment.

Content and teaching methods

Content

The theorists receiving most attention are

- (1) Emile Durkheim, Goerg Rusche and Otto Kirchheimer, Michel Foucault
- (2) Donald Clemmer, Gresham Sykes, Erving Goffman, Phil Zimbardo.

Contemporary studies reworking these theorist's legacy will be presented and discussed.

Method :

Lecture course. Attendance at all class sessions is required.

Reading assignments

Study questions.

Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Evaluation : In-class written exam.

Programmes in which this activity is taught

CRIM2 Licence en criminologie
CRIM2MS Master en criminologie, à finalité spécialisée

Other credits in programs

CRIM21	Première licence en criminologie	(3 credits)	Mandatory
CRIM21MS	Première année du master en criminologie, à finalité spécialisée	(3 credits)	Mandatory
CRIM22MS	Deuxième année du master en criminologie, à finalité spécialisée	(3 credits)	Mandatory
CRIM2MS	Master en criminologie, à finalité spécialisée	(3 credits)	Mandatory
CRIM3DA	Diplôme d'études approfondies en criminologie	(3 credits)	Mandatory