

**COURSE OF STUDY LAW**  
**ACADEMIC YEAR 2024/2025**  
**ACADEMIC SUBJECT Criminology**

General information	
Year of the course	<i>IV</i>
Academic calendar (starting and ending date)	<i>I semester (9<sup>th</sup> September – 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024)</i>
Credits (CFU/ETCS):	<i>6</i>
SSD	<i>SPS/12. Sociology of law, deviance and social change</i>
Language	<i>Italian</i>
Mode of attendance	<i>Attendance is not mandatory</i>

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Work schedule			
Hours			
Total	Lectures	Hands-on (laboratory, workshops, working groups, seminars, field trips)	Out-of-class study hours/ Self-study hours
<i>150</i>	<i>48</i>		<i>102</i>
CFU/ETCS			
<i>6</i>	<i>6</i>		

<b>Learning Objectives</b>	<i>Acquisition of basic knowledge relating to Criminology (object, research tools and methods) and the evolution of criminological thought for the development of a critical approach in the analysis of some criminal phenomena, justice systems and social processes of construction of crime</i>
<b>Course prerequisites</b>	<i>No prior knowledge is required</i>

<b>Teaching strategie</b>	<i>Frontal lessons, with the possible use of audiovisual supports and group discussions for the in-depth study of some criminal phenomena and specific cases.</i>
<b>Expected learning outcomes in terms of</b>	
<b>Knowledge and understanding on:</b>	At the end of the course, the student must have acquired basic knowledge and an ability to understand the basic concepts, the main theoretical paradigms, the research tools of criminology
<b>Applying knowledge and understanding on:</b>	At the end of the course, the student must have developed the ability to use the theoretical knowledge acquired for the purposes of critical understanding of the main criminal phenomena and the criminal justice system

<b>Soft skills</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Making informed judgments and choices</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ At the end of the course, the student must be able to access and critically read the data and statistics in relation to the main criminal phenomena using the theoretical knowledge acquired, understanding the mechanisms and purposes of institutional reactions to the phenomena themselves</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Communicating knowledge and understanding,</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ At the end of the course the student must be able to argue and communicate the knowledge acquired, through appropriate technical and scientific language</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Capacities to continue learning.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ At the end of the course the student must be able to continue learning criminology by deepening their knowledge, also in order to undertake more advanced studies.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Syllabus</b>	
<b>Content knowledge</b>	<p><i>Criminology as a science: the object of study and research tools. The evolution of criminology and criminological thought: free will and the classical school; Positivism, the Positive School and determinism; Cesare Lombroso: intuitions and limits. Criminology in Italy after Lombroso.</i></p> <p><i>Criminology as an etiological science: the main unicausal theories: biological theories, sociological theories and psychological theories. Phenomenology of the main criminal phenomena. Victimology and criminal profiling. Criminology and mental disorders. Criminology and criminal policy. Prison and the penitentiary issue.</i></p>
<b>Texts and readings</b>	<i>Ciappi S., Manuale di Criminologia, Neldiritto editore, 2021.</i>
<b>Notes, additional materials</b>	
<b>Repository</b>	<i>Any additional teaching material will be uploaded to Teams</i>

<b>Assessment</b>	
<b>Assessment methods</b>	
<b>Assessment criteria</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Knowledge and understanding</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Basic knowledge and understanding of the epistemological foundations of criminology, of the main theoretical orientations and of the main stages in the evolution of criminological thought</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Applying knowledge and understanding</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ability to use the knowledge acquired to understand some criminal phenomena and the mechanisms of the justice system</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Autonomy of judgment</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Critical reasoning skills</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Communicating knowledge and understanding</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ability to argue and communicate the knowledge acquired, through appropriate technical-scientific language</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Communication skills</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ability to articulate and organize the speech in terms of exhaustiveness, expository clarity and logical argumentative order</li> <li>○ Use of appropriate vocabulary and terminology</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Capacities to continue learning</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ability to organize and systematize overall acquired knowledge</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Final exam and grading criteria</b>	<i>The exam takes place in oral form. There are no intermediate tests, pre-appeals or ongoing checks. The student will be assessed on the expected learning outcomes. The final mark is given out of thirty (30/30). The exam is considered passed when the grade is greater than or equal to 18.</i>
<b>Further information</b>	
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