

General information	
Academic subject	Crime, punishment and society
Degree course	Social Service (L39) Sociology (L40)
Academic Year	2022/2023
European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS)	7 (L39) 8 (L40)
Language	Italian
Academic calendar (starting and ending date)	February 2023-May 2023
Attendance	Not mandatory

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Syllabus	
Learning Objectives	The course offers a critical introduction to the history of criminological thought and of criminal policies. Particular attention will be paid to the study of the so-called ‘total institutions’ and to the analysis of the peculiar social relationships that are established within containment and control structures such as prisons, psychiatric hospitals, refugee camps and centers for irregular migrants.
Course prerequisites	Students should possess a general knowledge of sociological theory and modern political thought, it is also recommended that they have knowledge of the fundamental principles of criminal law.
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to criminology - Classical and neoclassical theory in criminology - Sociological theories of crime - Social learning theories - Labelling theories and critical criminology - The history of modern prisons - Theories of punishment

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The sociology of total institutions - Prison: current issues
Books and bibliography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scarscelli D., Vidoni Guidoni O., <i>La devianza. Teorie e politiche di controllo</i>, Carocci, Roma 2008 (last edition available). - Verdolini V., <i>L'istituzione reietta. Spazi e dinamiche del carcere in Italia</i>, Carocci, Roma 2022.
Additional materials	

Work schedule			
Total	Lectures	Hands on (Laboratory, working groups, seminars, field trips)	Out-of-class study hours/ Self-study hours
Hours			
	L39: 56 L40: 64		L39: 119 L40: 136
ECTS			
	L39: 2,24 L40: 2,56		L39: 4,76 L40: 5,44
Teaching strategy			
Frontal teaching. Class discussion will be constantly stimulated.			
Expected learning outcomes			
Knowledge and understanding on:	Students will acquire knowledge of the main theoretical perspectives in the sociology of deviance and social control. They will be also introduced to the main lines of historical development of modern criminal justice systems.		
Applying knowledge and understanding on:	Students will acquire the ability to apply the criminological theories studied in the analysis of crime prevention policies. Students will be able to critical evaluate the impact and effectiveness of crime prevention policies, with a particular focus on the human rights of the individuals concerned.		
Soft skills	Students will be encouraged to develop their critical thinking and curiosity, they will be in particular stimulated in learning how to select and manage the appropriate sources of information.		

Assessment and feedback	
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Methods of assessment	Oral examination.
Evaluation criteria	At the oral examination students are required to demonstrate their knowledge of the main criminological theories and of the sociology of prisons and total institutions.
Criteria for assessment and attribution of the final mark	The final grade will be awarded by considering students ability to critically engage with the topics covered and the quality of the exposition.
Additional information	