

Table 5.2. Course Specification		
Study programme: First-cycle academic studies of the first level – Law		
Course title: Criminal Law		
Instructor(s): Aleksandra A. Jovanović		
Course status: Compulsory, second year, third semester		
ECTS: 10		
Prerequisites: None		
Course Aim Acquisition of knowledge in the field of criminal law and criminal legislation. Study of the subject matter of the general and special parts of criminal law through examination and understanding of the basic concepts and institutions of substantive criminal law. Understanding the system of positive law norms regulating criminal law protection. Connecting didactic, scholarly and practical knowledge and skills with the aim of training students for independent work in the field of criminal law. Developing critical thinking with the aim of re-examining existing solutions and building a more humane criminal law.		
Learning Outcomes Students will develop awareness of the importance of knowledge of the basic institutions and provisions of criminal law. They will develop the capacity for analysis and synthesis, and for independent theoretical and normative analysis of the basic institutions of criminal law about which they have acquired knowledge. They will acquire knowledge of the statutory elements of particular criminal offences. They will establish and connect significant premises in the field of criminal law and the application of criminal sanctions against perpetrators of criminal offences, with the aim of ensuring an efficient system for the protection of the most important social values through the application of criminal legislation.		
Course Content <i>Theoretical instruction</i> Criminal Law – General Part: Basic concepts of criminal law: concept, subject matter and function of criminal law. Principles of criminal law. Sources of criminal law. Historical development of criminal law. The relationship of criminal law to other branches of law. The validity of the criminal legislation of the Republic of Serbia. General provisions on criminal offences: concept, material and formal elements of a criminal offence. Classification of criminal offences. Grounds excluding unlawfulness. Grounds excluding culpability. Stages of commission of a criminal offence. Forms of commission of a criminal offence. Complicity in a criminal offence. Criminal sanctions: concept and types, punishments, cautionary measures, security measures, special criminal law measures, criminal sanctions for legal persons and criminal sanctions for juveniles. Grounds for the extinction of criminal sanctions. Rehabilitation. Legal consequences of conviction. Provision of data from criminal records. Criminal Law – Special Part: Groups of criminal offences: general characteristics, systematisation, individual criminal offences against: life and bodily integrity; freedoms and rights of citizens; electoral rights; rights arising from employment; honour and reputation; sexual freedom; marriage and family; intellectual property; property; the economy; human health; the environment; general security of persons and property; public traffic safety; the security of computer data; the constitutional order and security of the Republic of Serbia; state authorities; the judiciary; public order and peace; legal transactions; official duty; humanity and other goods protected by international law; the Serbian Army. <i>Practical instruction</i> Practical instruction follows the dynamics of theoretical instruction and conveys experience and knowledge from criminal law practice. Critical analysis of court practice in the Republic of Serbia relating to the general and special parts of criminal law. Analysis of the elements of the corpus delicti of individual criminal offences (scope, dynamics and structure of criminal offences committed in the Republic of Serbia and in the area of a selected court), the culpability of their perpetrators, and the types and measures of sentences imposed on these persons, including analysis of the prosecution policy and sentencing policy of the courts. Within the framework of practical instruction, educational visits to penal and correctional institutions, courts or prosecutors' offices are practised.		
Literature Markus D. Dubber and Tatjana Hörnle, The Oxford Handbook of Criminal Law, Oxford [etc.] : Oxford University Press, 2014. Allen, Michael J. Textbook on criminal law, Oxford: University press, 2003.		
Hours of active teaching:	Theoretical instruction: 90	Practical instruction: 30

Teaching Methods (1) <i>Theoretical instruction</i> : oral presentation of the subject matter, lectures with audiovisual presentation, use of practical examples, information on current legislative amendments, interactive teaching, active student participation, problem-based approach to topics, encouraging students to think critically, exercise creativity, work independently and apply acquired knowledge in practice. (2) <i>Practical instruction</i> : consolidation and verification of theoretical knowledge, analysis of practical cases/case studies, discussion, knowledge testing through case solving, visits to judicial and other institutions. (3) <i>Consultations</i> , individual student work (seminar paper) and written knowledge assessments (colloquia).
Knowledge Assessment (maximum points: 100)

Pre-exam obligations	Points	Final exam	Points
Activity during lectures	10	Written exam	-
Practical instruction	-	Oral exam	50
Colloquium(s)	30	...	-
Seminar(s)	10	-	-