

COURSE SYLLABUS

Laboratory 10 - Misure alternative

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Learning objectives

- Introduce the guiding principles of recourse to community sanctions/measures also in relation to the criticalities of the prison system
- Provide a general framework on the functioning of the penal system in Italy and reconstruct the recent historical evolution, also in comparison with other European and non-European countries
- Describe the main community sanctions and measures in Italian system, highlighting its potential and criticality
- Introduce to the role of the social worker in the penal context, both inside of the penal system (with a priority look at the adults' penal system) and in territorial structures that have direct or indirect powers over persons subject to penal measures

Contents

- Penal system in Italy: functioning and evolution
- The main institutions of the Italian non-custodial penalty system
- Critical introduction to the role of social service in the penal system

Detailed program

1. Introduction to prison and penalty issues
2. From prison to community sanctions and measures: the slow overcoming of the "prison-centric" vision of punishment
3. Community sanctions and measures as an attempt of response to the perennial emergency of the Italian prison system, overcrowding and other issues
4. Prison as a social dump: the personal, social, family, economic and working conditions of persons subject

to criminal measures

5. Community sanctions and measures in Italian law: birth and evolution of the system of non-custodial penalties in our country
6. The current situation of non-custodial penalties in Italy: organisation, numbers, resources
7. The re-educational purpose of the penal sanction: operation and effectiveness of treatment of persons under custodial or non-custodial measures
8. The role of social services in the treatment of sentenced persons (Uepe, SerD, Cps and other services); the necessity and the difficulties of a network work

Prerequisites

No prerequisites required but is appreciated a previous knowledge of the penal and prison system also through internship or voluntary activities.

Teaching methods

Usually the laboratory hosts interventions of operators and experts. If the health situation permits, external educational outings may also be organised.

Assessment methods

Will be proposed exercises in progress to verify the learning of the contents of the laboratory.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Teaching materials will be made available to students during the lessons.
