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COURSE SYLLABUS

Criminology and Urban Security

2324-1-F8701N071

Learning objectives

Knowledge and understanding
The course aims to provide theoretical and methodological skills to frame the crime issue and to foster safety through prevention policies and social reintegration of male and female offenders. By the end of the course, participants will have acquired knowledge of the main methods and critical perspectives adopted in criminological research; of evidence-based empowerment models and programs used in prevention; and of the crime desistance approach in the construction of policies and interventions aimed at social reintegration. All perspectives presented will be declined from a gender perspective.

Ability to apply knowledge and understanding
By the end of the course, participants will have acquired the fundamental skills to plan policies and implement interventions in the field of criminology consistent with the guidance provided by the international criminological literature and with a gender perspective.

Contents

Trends in crime and social reaction to crime, policies and programs for prevention and aimed at the social reintegration of female and male offenders.

Detailed program

Field and object of criminology. Definition of deviance/edgework concept. Data on crime trends and social reaction to crime. The socio-ecological model and the role of equity in the construction of prevention programs. Gender differences and social inequalities in empowerment processes. Community development as a resource in

criminology. Prison and community measures. Crime desistance and narrative criminology. Gender differences in the construction of social reintegration pathways. The role of the caseworker and the practitioner in desistance processes.

Prerequisites

Interest in criminological issues; critical approach to project and policy evaluation; willingness for classroom interaction.

Teaching methods

Lectures with high classroom interaction, group work, simulations, participatory writing.

Assessment methods

Oral examination. For attending students only: term paper and oral examination.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Rinaldi C., Saitta P. (a cura di), *Criminologie critiche contemporanee*, Giuffrè, 2018.
One text of your choice from

- Cornelli R., *La forza di polizia. Uno studio criminologico sulla violenza*, Giappichelli, 2020
- Ronconi S. e Zuffa G., *La prigione delle donne. Idee e pratiche per i diritti*, Ediesse, 202

Sustainable Development Goals

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