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DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Criminal Law Mod B - A-L

2526-2-A5810015-A581001502-AL

Learning objectives

The course aims at providing a basic knowledge of criminal law, in order to permit a wide comprehension of the evolution of the law (starting with the Criminal Code) and the strong relationship with Constitution's principles and international commitments. At the end of the course, the student should have acquired:
• knowledge and understanding of the fundamental principles of criminal law, with particular attention to crime and criminal responsibility;
• ability to apply the notions learned to the analysis of concrete cases and in the resolution of interpretative issues in the context of criminal laws;
• autonomy of judgment in the interpretation of the rules and in the identification of the most appropriate solutions;
• communication skills in the presentation and discussion of legal issues in the field of criminal law, both in written and oral form;
• autonomous learning skills, also through the consultation of regulatory, doctrinal and jurisprudential sources.

Contents

The course focuses on general rules of criminal law, through the study of the elements of crime, by comparing provisions and jurisprudence. Attention will be drawn also to the system of sanctions and to the main offenses against individual, which are part of the final examination.

Detailed program

The Italian criminal law system: a general framework.
Constitutional principles in criminal matter.
Elements of crime: general principles.

Physical element, criminal defences, mens rea.
Attempt, complicity in a crime.
Criminal and administrative sanctions.

Crimes against individual.

Prerequisites

Students need to have passed the exam of Constitutional law.

Teaching methods

The course, lasting 120 hours, will be mainly carried out with traditional lessons, using power point presentations and other learning opportunities provided by the elearning platform. The remaining part (approximately 40 hours) will be reserved to interactive lessons, involving students in individual or group activities on case-law (study for a legal advice to discuss in class).

Assessment methods

Oral exam, inclusive of module A and module B.

Students taking part on the activities proposed during the course, including working groups, will receive a final evaluation which may permit them to avoid the oral exam.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

1. Criminal Code, updated edition.

2. Pulitanò D., Diritto penale, Giappichelli, last edition **or, as an alternative,** Marinucci G. - Dolcini E. - Gatta G., Manuale di diritto penale. Parte generale, Giuffrè, last edition.

3. Pulitanò D. (a cura di), Diritto penale. Parte speciale, vol. I, Tutela penale della persona, Giappichelli, last edition.

Recommended reading: Luigi Pagano, Il direttore. Quarant'anni di lavoro in carcere, Milano, Zolfo Editore, 2020.

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