UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

SYLLABUS DEL CORSO

Laboratorio 10 - Misure alternative

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Learning objectives

1. Knowledge and understanding
The course will begin with a brief introduction to the inspiring principles of alternative or community penalties/measures also in relation to the critical issues of the penitentiary system. The main non-custodial penal measures provided for by our legal system will then be presented, highlighting their potential and critical issues.
2. Applying knowledge and understanding
Students will receive a general overview of the functioning of the penal enforcement system in Italy and a reconstruction of the recent historical evolution, also in comparison with other European and non-European countries. The role of the A.S. in the penal field will be introduced, both within the system of services responsible for penal enforcement and in the territorial structures that have direct or indirect competences on people subjected to penal measures.
3. Making judgements
The course will provide the tools to analyze and understand the main critical issues of the Italian penal and penitentiary system, and will stimulate students to develop a critical approach to these issues.
4. Communication skills
Through exercises and individual and group work, students will be encouraged not only to learn the contents of the measures and regulatory institutions presented in class, but also to describe them by "translating" them into simple language that is understandable by the users.
5. Learning skills
Rather than frontal lessons, short exercises will be preferred to accustom students to independently research the notions, information and rules necessary for carrying out the role of A.S. with users coming from penal system.

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

An interactive teaching method will be preferred, with the use of individual and group exercises. Usually the laboratory hosts interventions of operators and experts and, if possible, external educational outings may also be organised.

Assessment methods

There is no final exam, only certification of attendance.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

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

Sustainable Development Goals

PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS