

## DESCRIPTION OF COURSE UNIT

1.

Course unit title	Code
The Problems of Criminology	100222

2.

Name of lecturer(s) (provoid information as to how, when and where they can be in contact)	Department(s)
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3.

Cycle of course unit	Level of course unit	Type of course unit
Third cycle	Not applicable	Elective

4.

Mode of delivery	Year of study and semester when the course unit is delivered	Language of instruction
distance learning	I-III study year	Lithuanian, English

5.

Study requirements	
<b>Prerequisites:</b> Master's or equivalent degree	<b>Co-requisites:</b> Not applicable

6.

Recommended optional programme components
Not applicable

7.

Number of ECTS credits allocated	Student's workload	Contact work hours	Independent work hours
6	162	2	160

8.

Purpose of the course unit: programme competences to be developed			
Acquired deep, systemic knowledge, understanding of existing Criminology related issues and ability of evaluation of possible solutions in criminological cognition and application of its results.			
Learning outcomes of the programme	Learning outcomes of the course unit	Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods
	Students will be able to evaluate social processes from a criminological point of view.	Independent work with recommended sources	Written exam
	Students will be able to assess the environment professionally in terms of security against crime.	Independent work with recommended sources	Written exam
	Students will be able to select and apply appropriate measures to enhance security	Independent work with recommended sources	Written exam

9.

Course contents										
Topics	Contact work hours and planned learning activities							Independent work hours and tasks		
	Lectures	Consultations	Seminars	Training exercises	Laboratory work	Internship	Assessment	All contact work hours	Independent work hours	Tasks
1. Knowledge of crime: methods, issues and possible solutions										Reading of research literature
2. Factors of criminal behavior, their cognitive issues and evaluation.										Reading of research literature
3. Characteristics of offenders, their cognitive issues and evaluation.										Reading of research literature
4. Methods of crime and its harm reduction, their assessment and issues at the individual (individual), local (regional), national and international levels.										Reading of research literature
<b>Overall</b>		<b>2</b>						<b>2</b>	<b>158</b>	

10.

Assessment strategy	Weighting percentage	Period or date of assessment	Assessment criteria
Written exam	100	I-III Study Years	The answer to the given question (s) shall be assessed according to the following criteria: originality; relevance and scientific issues; research methodology; language clarity and text layout.

11.

Required reading
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dünkel, F. et al. Bausmių taikymo ir vykdymo tarptautinis palyginimas, tendencijos ir perspektyvos Lietuvoje. Redaktorius Gintautas Sakalauskas. Vilnius: Žara, 2017.</li> <li>Justickis V. Kriminologija. I d., - Vilnius, 2001, 440 p.</li> <li>Justickis V. Kriminologija. II d., - Vilnius, 2004, 524 p.</li> <li>Kiškis A., Justickaja S., Uscila R., Justickis V. Nusikalstamumas Lietuvoje ir jo prevencijos perspektyvos: monografija. – Vilnius: Mykolo Romerio universitetas, 2014. 467 p. (e-knyga).</li> <li>Kriminologija. Vadovėlis. Autorių kolektyvas, moksliniai redaktoriai A.Kiškis ir G.Babachinaitė. – Vilnius, 2010, 668 p. MRU studentams pasiekiamas nemokamai per Baltic-eBooks.</li> </ol>
Recommended reading
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aebi Marcelo F., Martin Killias and Cynthia Tavares. Comparing Crime Rates: the International Crime (Victim) Survey, the European Sourcebook of Crime and Criminal Justice Statistics, and Interpol Statistics. International Journal of Comparative Criminology 2/1. 2002.</li> </ol>

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