

Subject card

Subject name and code	Drug crime - legal, psychological and forensic aspects - lecture, PG_00132864						
Field of study	Criminology						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject		2027/2028		
Education level	Master's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study Subject group related to scientific research in the field of study		
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	2		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	3		ECTS credits		2.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Krzysztof Stasiak				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	30.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours		Self-study	SUM
	Number of study hours	30		0.0		20.0	50
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to familiarise students with the issue of drug crime from a psychological perspective. In terms of law, students will learn about the Act on Counteracting Drug Addiction, the basic classifications of narcotic substances and so-called drug offences.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[KRYMMU2_W01] Has in-depth knowledge of the nature of legal sciences and penal sciences, their place within the system of sciences, their mutual relationships, and the main directions of their development, as well as their connections with other fields of science and the axiological and social determinants of activities related to counteracting crime.	The student has an in-depth understanding of the nature and place of legal and criminal sciences within the academic system, and their links with criminology and other disciplines in the field of combating drug-related crime, as well as the legal, axiological and social factors underpinning such efforts.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
	[KRYMMU2_W06] Has in-depth knowledge and is familiar with the terminology used in psychology, sociology, and related disciplines applied in criminology, and understands the fundamental dilemmas of contemporary civilization associated with these fields. The graduate is also familiar with the basic principles of intellectual property and copyright protection, as well as the conditions for the creation and development of various forms of entrepreneurship.	The student has in-depth knowledge of, and is familiar with the terminology used in psychology, sociology and related disciplines to explain the causes and mechanisms of drug-related crime; they also understand the social and psychological factors underlying this phenomenon and the dilemmas associated with combating it.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
	[KRYMMU2_W03] Has an in-depth knowledge of legal regulations within various branches of law related to the field of study.	Is able to devise original solutions to complex problems in the fields of law and criminal justice, to forecast how these problems will be resolved, and to anticipate the consequences of planned actions in specific practical areas.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
Subject contents	Lecture topics: The psychology of crime and motives for breaking the law. Law and drugs. Types of psychoactive substances. Legalisation, decriminalisation or depenalisation? Health consequences of marijuana use. Drug cartels Drug trafficking in Poland and worldwide. Effects and health consequences of psychoactive substance use. Recognising the use of psychoactive substances. The Act on Counteracting Drug Addiction. Types of prohibited acts relating to drugs. Penalties and punitive measures applied in the case of drug offences. The problem of so-called designer drugs and the legal classification of intoxicating substances. Combating drug offences.		

Prerequisites and co-requisites	There are no prerequisites or additional requirements.		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Exam	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	Pospiszyl I., (2008) Social Pathologies. PWN Scientific Publishers, Warsaw HOŁYST Brunon: Criminal Sociology. Vol. 2. - Warsaw: LexisNexis, 2007. - pp. 128-136: The impact of hallucinogenic and stimulant drugs on road accidents and accidents at work. Police detection methods HOŁYST Brunon: Contemporary problems of organised crime in Poland // In: Man in the face of the law / scientific editor Beata Pastwa Wojciechowska. - Krakow: Impuls; Gdańsk: University of Gdańsk, 2008. - pp. 247-265 Drug-related crime (p. 263).	
	Supplementary literature	Pospiszyl I., (2008) Social Pathologies. Wydawnictwo Naukowe PWN Warsaw; Szulc M., (2013) Health consequences of marijuana use in the light of research and a proposal to standardise the position of psychologists on the issue of cannabis legalisation, formulated on the basis of the Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct for Psychologists. Alcoholism and Drug Addiction 2013, Volume 26, No. 4, 381401 Lenson D., On drugs, University of Minnesota Press, 1995.	
	eResources addresses		
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Types of offences specified in the Act on Counteracting Drug Addiction		
Work placement	Not applicable		

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