

Subject card

Subject name and code	Probation officer in criminal law - lecture, PG_00131566						
Field of study	Criminology						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject		2028/2029		
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group		Optional subject group		
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	3		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	5		ECTS credits		1.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
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	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20
	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	20		0.0		5.0	25
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to present the institution of the probation officer in criminal law, in particular the role they play in criminal proceedings at the preparatory, investigative and enforcement stages.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[KRYML3_U02] Is able to analyse social phenomena, participate in debates, present and critically evaluate different viewpoints, and discuss them using specialised terminology. Is also able to identify and analyse moral and legal dilemmas in professional practice.	Can explain the role of the court-appointed probation service. Can identify the tasks carried out by a probation officer and describe what these involve. Can resolve typical examples of problems that a probation officer encounters in their work.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[KRYML3_W02] Has advanced knowledge of terminology and key concepts in criminology, law, and related disciplines relevant to the field of study.	The student has an advanced knowledge and understanding of the terminology and key concepts in criminal and enforcement law relating to the work of a probation officer, in particular with regard to probation measures, the enforcement of court orders, and the rights and duties of a probation officer.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[KRYML3_K01] Is aware of the level of his knowledge and skills, and understands the need for lifelong learning and the need to expand professional competence and qualifications, as well as to improve skills	She is aware that the role of a probation officer involves continuous learning and the need to adapt her knowledge and skills to a changing reality.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[KRYML3_W04] Understands and comprehends the legal and institutional determinants governing the functioning of state authorities, their internal structure, competencies, and role in counteracting pathological phenomena, particularly crime. Also understands the fundamental dilemmas of contemporary civilization related to security, the protection of individual rights and freedoms, as well as social and technological development. Furthermore, possesses knowledge of the basic principles of intellectual property protection and copyright law, as well as the conditions for creating and developing various forms of entrepreneurship.	The student is familiar with and understands the legal and institutional framework governing the work of a probation officer, their place and role within the justice system, and their powers and duties in relation to the enforcement of court orders, the implementation of probation measures and the prevention of crime.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion

Subject contents	1. History of the institution of probation.		
	2. The position of the probation officer in the justice system.		
	3. The probation officer as an enforcement authority.		
	4. Supervision exercised by the probation officer.		
	5. Supervision of certain penal measures by the probation officer.		
	6. SDE and the role of the probation officer in its implementation.		
	7. Restriction of liberty the role of the probation officer.		
	8. Rules for the provision of post-release assistance by probation officers.		
	9. Probation supervision.		
	10. Suspended cases.		
	11. Community interviews.		
	12. Precautionary measures.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Test plus case study. Duration: approx. 45 minutes.	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	K. Stasiak (ed.), Methodology of the work of a probation officer, Warsaw 2024.	
		K. Stasiak, Act on probation officers. Commentary, Warsaw 2021.	
		Legal acts	
	Supplementary literature	LACHOWSKI, Jerzy. <i>Executive Penal Code: commentary</i> . CH Beck Publishing House, current edition	
	eResources addresses		
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	What types of supervision are carried out by probation officers?		
Work placement	Not applicable		

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