

APPENDIX 2 – COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course title	Criminal Law II				
Lesson Code	LAW-241				
Course type	Compulsory				
Level	Undergraduate				
Year / Semester	2 nd /D				
Teacher 's name	Petros Konstantinidis				
ECTS	6	Lectures / week	3 hours per week	Workshops / weeks	
Purpose and objectives of the lesson	<p>The purpose of this course is for the students to understand the subject matter of special criminal law through the study of the most basic crimes of the Cypriot Criminal Law and at the same time to be able to distinguish through the study and the critical thinking when a crime is committed, under what circumstances and whether the offender himself can succeed or establish any defence. Furthermore, the aim of the course is for students to apply the principles of law that have been taught in Criminal Law I to specific offences.</p>				
Learning results	<p>Upon completion of the course and after the practical application of the legislation in combination with the jurisprudence of both the Supreme Court and the European Court of Justice, students are expected to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • evaluate and apply case by case the basic principles of criminal law. • analyze the constituent elements of crimes and to be able, during the study and deepening of the criminal cases brought before them, to decide whether a crime has been committed or not. • separate and classify the offenses in the appropriate category under the circumstances (offences against life, property, etc.). • Identify from the facts before them whether any defense is presented which will be taken into account by the court either to remove the illegal nature of the act or ultimately to act as a mitigating factor in favor of the offender. • be able to develop those skills to be able to process Criminal Law jurisprudence both domestically and internationally based on the critical analysis of criminal legislation 				

Prerequisites	Criminal Law I (LAW-212)	Plus required	None
Course content	<p>During the course, there will be extensive analysis of the basic crimes, the categories to which they belong, and the students should be able to classify them in the corresponding category.</p> <p>All categories will be analyzed separately within and from the judicial practice of criminal cases so that students can classify them in the corresponding category:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crimes against life • Crimes against ownership • Crimes against property • Crimes against sexual freedom • Crimes against morals and sexual freedom • Cybercrime, <p>but also in any other category provided for by special legislation.</p> <p>Along with the analysis and learning of the crimes provided for in the relevant legislation, students should understand, again through examples and criminal cases, the defenses that the perpetrator/offender will be able to present each time either to remove the illegality of his act depending on the offense for which he is either accused or investigated against him or be among the factors that can be taken into account for the purpose of mitigating the sentence.</p> <p>Practical analysis with parallel development of their critical ability in criminal cases both through Cypriot jurisprudence and the jurisprudence of the Anglo-Saxon legal system with the ultimate purpose of implementing legislation from theory to practice.</p> <p>Analysis of crimes that are provided by the law at the objective state (actus reus) but also of subjective state (mens rea)</p>		
Teaching methodology	<p>Lectures with the help of PowerPoint and encouraging active participation and dialogue.</p> <p>Analysis of court decisions (Supreme Court, Court of Appeal, ECHR and Common law courts).</p> <p>Studies and application through practical examples and cases with the simultaneous application of legislation.</p>		

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Evaluation	<p>Assignment: 20%</p> <p>Participation: 10%</p> <p>Midterm exam 20%</p> <p>Final Exam: 50%</p>
Language	Greek