

ANNEX 2 – COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course title	Applications of Criminal Law & Criminal Procedure				
Course code	LAWG-424				
Course type	Compulsory				
Level	Undergraduate				
Year / Semester	4 th /H				
Teacher's name	Dimitrios Kourtis				
ECTS	6	Lectures / week	3 hours per week	Laboratories / week	
Course purpose and objectives	<p>The aim of the course is for students to examine specific and complex issues of criminal law in a combined and analytical way. Therefore, there will be presentations and analysis of more specific and complex issues of general and special criminal law, as well as criminal procedural law. The goal is to present significant judicial decisions in order to develop students' abilities for critical and analytical thinking and to identify the litigious issues. Additionally, it will be explained how European law affects the Greek criminal system.</p> <p>Additionally, students will be given the opportunity to apply the knowledge they have already acquired in courses on general and special criminal law, as well as criminal procedure courses. To this end, the aim is for students to be able to evaluate legal issues in criminal law that relate to all stages of the criminal phenomenon, namely from the commission of the offense, the prosecution, to its trial and the issuance of a final judicial decision.</p> <p>Furthermore, the objective is to provide students with the opportunity for practical application of their knowledge of criminal law by presenting and solving practical problems. This approach will enable the development of critical thinking and analytical methodology on issues related to criminal law.</p>				
Learning outcomes	<p>Upon completion of the course, students are expected to be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine specialized and complex issues related to criminal law. • Identify complex issues concerning specific manifestations of crime. 				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyse procedural issues related to the rights of the accused and the principle of a fair trial. Resolve practical problems involving all stages of the crime, from its commission and prosecution to its judicial decision. Provide legal advice on issues related to both substantive and procedural criminal law. Develop the ability to critically analyse judicial decisions and identify any erroneous judgments. Apply European legislation on issues of criminal law. 		
Prerequisites	General Criminal Law (LAWG-213) Special Criminal Law (LAWG-242) Criminal Procedure I & II (LAWG-317, LAWG-333)	Required	None
Course content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Examination of specific cases of culpability. Forms of malice and examination of cases involving issues of indirect implied malice and its distinction from wantonnes. Ways of participating in a crime with reference to case law examples. Sentencing and imposition of punishment. Criminological approach to punishment. The case of criminal treatment of drug users. Special aspects of the removal of the wrongdoing of the act and criminally liability. The case of abuse of women and minors. Resolution of complex practical problems of substantive criminal law. Pre-trial and investigative acts. Preliminary investigation and main interrogation. Characteristics and distinctions. Procedural acts. The right to a fair trial in practice and the European law. Directive 2010/64/EU on the right to interpretation and translation during criminal proceedings, Directive 2013/48/EU on the right of access to a lawyer in criminal proceedings, Directive 2012/13/EU on the right to information in criminal proceedings, and Directive 2016/343/EU to strengthen certain aspects of the presumption of innocence and the right to be present at trial in criminal proceedings. The right to a fair trial and the presumption of innocence in the jurisprudence of the Areios Pagos and the ECHR. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specific issues of the law of evidence. Admissible evidence and fundamental rights. The modern technological means and possibilities and the ability to invoke them in a criminal trial. • The European Arrest Warrant and the extradition of the accused. Basic features and fundamental principles. • Specialized issues of legal means and res judicata.
Teaching methodology	<p>Lectures with the help of slides and encouragement of active participation and dialogue. Assignments and presentations.</p> <p>Presentation of judicial decisions.</p> <p>Analysis of relevant decisions from Greek Courts, ECHR, the CJEU, and related courts of other jurisdictions.</p> <p>Case studies/examples. Resolution of practical problems.</p>
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	V. Polyzoidou B / D. A. Bistouna, Law of Protection of Minors (Nomiki Bibliothiki 2016). N. Bitzilekis / E. Symeonidou- Kastanidou, Practical Issues of Criminal Law, 2nd ed. (Nomiki Bibliothiki 2022).
Assessment	Assignment (case study)/Presentation: 30% Participation: 20% Final Examination: 50%
Language	Greek

