

COURSE DESCRIPTION

University: Academy of the Police Force in Bratislava					
Course Code: BOOM 14 VP 6 AJ		Course Name: European Criminal Law			
Type, Extent and Method of Instruction:					
Type: L/E					
Recommended Course Format: 1/1 hour of lecturing, exercises per week					
Methods: Attendance Method					
Number of Credits: 5					
Recommended Term: 6 th Semester					
Degree of Study: 1 st Degree					
Pre-requisites:					
Course Requirements:					
Continuous Assessment: One written test and a seminar assignment consisting of written essay on one of the provided topics as well as its presentation. Both test and the assignment are worth up to maximum of 50 points. The grade distribution is as follows: A - at least 94 points, B - at least 86 points, C - at least 76 points, D - at least 66 points, and E - at least 56 points. A student needs to earn at least 28 points in both parts of the continuous assessment. A student's admittance to an exam is pre-conditioned by his or her meeting the conditions prescribed for continuous assessment.					
Final Assessment: Exam „E“ - exam result					
Course Outcome: Student passing the subject will acquire knowledge in the field of European criminal law with a focus on the influence of the European Union’s legislation on the national criminal substantive law as well as criminal procedure. Emphasis will be put on provisions concerning minimum standards regarding the general conditions of criminal liability, so-called european crimes, fundamental rights of the subjects of criminal procedure, selected instruments of judicial cooperation in criminal matters and lastly the instrumental framework for combating crime in the European Union. Analyses of important CJEU’s rulings constitute a vital part of the course.					
Course Description:					
1. Introduction to European Criminal Law and its historical development.					
2. The europeanisation of criminal law in the context of the European Union					
3. CJEU and its influence on the development of European Criminal Law					
4. Substantive European Criminal Law I - basic principles of criminal liability in the context of EU Charter of Fundamental rights, criminal liability of legal persons, harmonization of criminal punishments.					
5. Substantive European Criminal Law II - selected european crimes: terrorism, human trafficking, money laundering, illicit drug trafficking, racism and xenophobia, environmental crime, organized crime.					
6. Procedural European Criminal Law I - basic rights of accused persons: right to a fair trial, presumption of innocence, <i>ne bis in idem</i> , right to information in criminal proceeding, right to be present at the trial; protection of the victims of crime.					
7. Procedural European Criminal Law II - selected instruments of judicial cooperation in criminal matters - European Arrest Warrant, European Investigation Order, Order Freezing Property or Evidence, cross border surveillance.					
8. Institutional framework for combating crime in EU - joint investigation teams, EUROPOL, Eurojust, OLAF.					
Recommended Reading:					
ATKINSON, D. (ed.) <i>EU law in criminal practice</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013.					
KORDÍK M., GORYLOVÁ M., TURÁKOVÁ V. <i>European criminal law</i> . Bratislava: APZ, 2016. Available online at: https://www.akademiapz.sk/sites/default/files/KVPV/KTP/European%20criminal%20law_Textbook.pdf					
KLIP, A. <i>European Criminal Law. An Integrative Approach</i> . 3 rd ed. Cambridge; Antwerp; Portland: Intersentia, 2017.					
AMBOS, K. <i>European Criminal Law</i> . Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2018.					
Knowledge of Language Required to Successfully Complete the Course: English					
Notes:					
Course Assessment:					
A	B	C	D	E	FX
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