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## Study program **Criminal Law (2022/2023)**

Faculty	Law
Study Cycle	Second Cycle (Postgraduate)
ECTS	120
Code	N-MLAWPEN120C
Title	Master of Legal Sciences / Field: Criminal Law
Accreditation archive number [120]	03-1779/1
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## Description of the program

The criminal law study program aims to provide a range of modules that will form the basis of information and advanced knowledge on criminal law matters for the purpose of training students to basic legal professions related to this field by providing solid knowledge, the specific and systematic institutes and concepts of criminal law in RNM and comparative knowledge to the region and the EU.

## Career

Law Faculty diploma is recognized by the Chamber of Lawyers and Notaries in RNM. Exercise of legal professions requires formal registration in these rooms. Graduation in the Faculty of Law enables students to approach the relevant state bodies, especially in judicial branch as courts and public prosecutors. The Law Faculty has signed cooperation agreements with the Academy for training of judges and public prosecutors in the RNM. Students who will have the ambition to deal with scientific research work, the Law Faculty of SEEU, enables the continuation in third cycle studies-PhD studies.

## Learning outcomes

### Knowledge and understanding

- Has advanced theoretical, empiric and comparative knowledge on criminal law sciences as well as advanced knowledge on the legislation and jurisdiction in the area of the prevention of crime.
- Has in-depth understanding of problems related to crime and penal sanctions especially in the fields of comparative criminal law and procedure, theoretical and applicable criminology and penology, organized crime and forensic sciences (medicine, psychiatry, psychology).
- Has specific knowledge of advanced research techniques and methods in the area of criminal law and procedure.

### Applying knowledge and understanding

- Identifies and analyzes more complex problems in the area of criminal law and procedure, thus can take active part in

all the stages of a criminal procedure as well as can interpret advanced issues of the criminal legislation (including working as a judge, prosecutor or attorney, once they have the needed qualifications according to the legislation of RNM).

- Utilizes the knowledge gained through research in the problem-solving process through comparing practices and solutions in the area of prevention of crime.

### **Making judgement**

- Performs more critical thinking through methods of analyzing and comparing.
- Develops skills of solving problems through case-law practices of more complex national and international cases.

### **Communication skills**

- Utilizes proper terminology for complex and specific issues in the area of criminal law sciences.
- Is able to reach decisions and work more directly and effectively in all the police and court stages of a criminal procedure.
- Is involved in research based legal argumentation and debate.
- Utilizes the official languages of the University as well as more advanced computer skills in the research work.

### **Learning skills**

- Develops a regulation of research to be used in their profession.
- Creates a practice of lifelong learning and service through being involved in training persons that work in the state institutions of crime prevention.

## **List of courses**

### **Semester 1**

- [CM157] [6.0 ECTS] **Criminal Law (Applied Program)**
- [MCCR2030] [6.0 ECTS] **International Criminal Law**
- [MCCR1040] [6.0 ECTS] **Criminology**
- [MCCR2040] [6.0 ECTS] **Criminalistics**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Elective Course**

### **Semester 2**

- [CM158] [6.0 ECTS] **Criminal Procedural Law (Applied Program)**
- [MCCR2010] [6.0 ECTS] **Penology**
- [MCCR3030] [6.0 ECTS] **Misdemeanor Law**
- [CM159] [6.0 ECTS] **Juvenile Delinquency**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Elective Course**

### **Semester 3**

- [MCCR3040] [6.0 ECTS] **Comparative Criminal Law**
- [MCCR3010] [6.0 ECTS] **Victimology**
- [MCCR1120] [6.0 ECTS] **Research Methodology**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Elective Course**
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### **Semester 4**

- [MCCR4010] [30.0 ECTS] **Master Thesis**

## **Description of courses**

### **Core courses**

- **Criminal Law (Applied Program)**

The aim of this subject is to introduce students to criminal institutions, norms and principles in which criminal law is built. Criminal law as a positive law is a system of norms, by which certain behaviors of people are considered as a criminal offense, for which offenses are provided penalties and sanctions by the state, also are provided and defined conditions and ways of their implementation.

- **International Criminal Law**

After successfully completing the course, students are expected to have gained a solid knowledge of the concepts and scope of this discipline, the rates in ICL, the repressive powers and jurisdiction of the states, extradition, asylum, transfer of criminal procedure, criminal legal aid, cooperation and the corpus of international human rights and international powers over criminal cases.

- **Criminology**

The acquisition of advanced knowledge on the object of study of Criminology and its main institutions, issues and contemporary trends and studying the influence of various factors in the commission of offenses, criminological examinations on the perpetrator and victim of crime and identification and criminological analysis of contemporary issues.

- **Criminalistics**

Specialization in this area is needed especially for the professional who will work in the justice - court, public prosecutor and judicial police. Criminalistics at its core has substantive and procedural criminal legislation and regulations derived from them. Every legal being of the criminal offense contains in itself the determination of the totality of facts and circumstances that are relevant for the comprehensive and fair resolution of the criminal case.

- **Criminal Procedural Law (Applied Program)**

Criminal procedure is a scientific discipline that studies legal norms that regulate the position of the parties as well as the competencies of the parties and other subjects participating in the criminal process, type, form and conditions for taking procedural actions. The subject of study is the system of legal remedies- regular and extraordinary as well as special procedures.

- **Penology**

This course analyzes the execution of criminal sanctions, the procedure of the execution of incarceration sentences, as well as non-incarceration sentences by analyzing the Law on execution of sanctions and the Law on Probation.

- **Misdemeanor Law**

The aim of the course consists in gaining advanced knowledge on the right of offenses as scientific discipline as well as part of its substantive and procedural, including regulating legal under the law for minor offenses.

- **Juvenile Delinquency**

Juvenile criminals are in close connection with other phenomena of socio-pathological, such as drug addiction, alcoholism and prostitution, phenomena that are distributed today in almost every country in the world, and unfortunately, they are present in our country. Therefore, the purpose of this discipline is to discover and record new forms of this criminal phenomenon and to explain the reasons for their presence in order to propose appropriate measures for their prevention and repression.

- **Comparative Criminal Law**

The course examines the penal systems of different countries, systematic analysis of solutions of the criminal laws in the context of existing social conditions and factors, the development trends of criminal laws and their harmonization with penal legislation within the EU.

- **Victimology**

This course aims to analyze different aspects of the position of the victim of crime. The victimological phenomenology and etiology will be studied, as well as the form, the structure and the dynamics of the victimization, as well as the factors it is influenced by.

- **Research Methodology**

Students will be able to: - To apply the main methods of legal and other research. - To collect research material in a critical way that is relevant, and which are cited by the authors in their responses. - To understand the scope of the

research and access to various methods of research, being able even to their critical review. - To study the relationship between legal theory and research practice through an advanced approach. - To apply skills and knowledge learned in their theses.

- **Master Thesis**

This module enables students to transfer their skills and knowledge to research and make more complex task of Master-Thesis. The module is designed to be fully practical and students to acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to approach writing the thesis. The module has unique return result-to enable students to write the master thesis with minimal difficulties, and with maximum efficiency. The course aims to improve research techniques and style of writing paper, taking account to stop illegal means, such as plagiarism and infringement of copyright, which are prohibited by the Statute of SEEU.

## **Elective courses**

- **European Criminal Law**

This course aims to create new knowledge for the students regarding the development of the European criminal law. The students will be able to understand the roots of new incriminations (whether they are tooted in the activities of the Council of Europe or the acts of EU). Students will learn about the mechanisms of judicial and police cooperation within the penal sphere in Europe as well as their advantaged as shortcomings, especially in the sphere of the protection of human rights.

- **Computer Crime**

Students will gain advanced knowledge on new types of crimes that are performed by computers and internet networks and modern ways of preventing it, which is highly developed in today's digital society. Will be analyzed crimes such as computer fraud, counterfeiting of software, and other forms of internet abuse for criminal purposes. Will analyze the international and national legislation in order to gain solid knowledge on standards and global trends in this subject.

- **Economic Crime**

The aim of the subject is to recognize and analyze the criminal occurrences with economic character, their emergence and their characteristics, the multidimensional negative influence, the easy of revealing and giving light, the forms of emergence, and the institutions that in direct and indirect manner fight this crime.

- **Organized Crime**

The aim of the subject is to enrich the students with knowledge on organized crime as a notion and phenomenon that is present in various fields of the society. In this context there will be analyzed the elements that comprise the criminal situation with organized character, the corruption as a key factor, which has influence on this type of crime, the unique investigative measures that do affect the revealing, documentation and prevention of the organized crime, and the international cooperation role in the fight against the organized crime.

- **Human Trafficking**

Human trafficking is a particular form of organized crime is characterized as a modern-day slavery. This serious type of crime represents a profound violation of human rights and freedoms and is prohibited and is followed by international agreements and national laws and mechanisms of repression. The purpose of this course is to acquaint students with theoretical and practical aspects of the advanced features of this phenomenon by analyzing the most important international conventions and domestic laws and mechanisms in this area and understanding of domestic jurisprudence concerning cases of trafficking people. Course objectives: - Defining the crime of trafficking in human beings; - Identification of components of a comprehensive framework for combating trafficking in human beings; - Assessing the critical challenges in eradicating human trafficking in a global society.

- **Domestic Violence**

Domestic violence is a social phenomenon of wide scale and widespread in contemporary society. It is present in all states and societies regardless of their development and emancipation. Immune to this phenomenon is neither our country nor the region in which we live. Therefore, law students through this course gain knowledge of what is domestic violence, the forms in which it is manifested, the legal arrangements in the country, the region and the international sphere as well as the ways of preventing it. Through this course, students at the end of the course will be able to identify domestic violence, identify criminal offenses that are incriminated in the Criminal Code as domestic violence, and develop critical thinking about this problematic. This course enables the future jurisdiction to handle

issues of this sphere of high sensitivity as well as to provide the most adequate assistance and protection for the victims of these criminal offenses in the exercise of his future profession as a judge, prosecutor or lawyer.

- **Judicial Psychology**

This discipline has character to support other criminal law sciences in order to assess the psychological truth and falsehood in the criminal trial against the defendants, witnesses and other persons in criminal proceedings through psychological assessment of their statements and actions.

- **Forensic Medicine**

Students will gain advanced knowledge of forensic science to crimes against life and health, as well as basic terminology that provides key guidance for coordination and communication between the investigative and judicial departments. Through this module the student will be able to formulate requests, orders and other written submissions between judges and forensic experts, especially the issue of writs for injuries, an expert forensic, orders for the identification of persons living of corpses and skeletal remains.

- **Criminal Policy**

In this course, students will be introduced to all preventive measures of crime provided in the criminal justice system in the country and beyond.

- **Legal Clinic - Criminal Law**

This course is a one-semester program of practical performance of the findings from the criminal and legal cases. In this course students will apply previously acquired knowledge in specific criminal cases which will work under the supervision of the subject teacher and under the supervision of a public prosecutor or a lawyer that will work together on concrete lighter cases and assist in the preparation of acts and undertaking other preparatory process activities. They shall remind the criminal legal matter and will also analyze sources from other countries working in legal clinics.

- **Medical Criminal Law**

Medical Criminal Law is a special area within the medical law as a separate legal branch in general and a separate criminal law discipline. The science of medical criminal law consists of general and special part. The general section studies the system of medical law, sources, methods, its place in the social and scientific system, criminal law protection of patient's rights etc. Specific issues, legal aspects of different types of medical interventions are subject to a separate part of this science. These are: the provision of medical care, euthanasia, abortion, medical expertise, medical care, transplantation, medical mistakes, reproductive technologies, cloning, genetic manipulation etc. The medical criminal law includes the matter of the status, rights and way of dealing with mentally ill people and generally, the treatment of unpredictable persons, security measures, protection of physical and mental integrity, protection of the right to life, the exclusion of illegality in medical interventions etc.