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Name of Course: LLB 3 year	Type of Course: Honors
Year: 1st Year	Semester: 1st Semester
Subject Code: UGH01ELLB01	Subject: Criminal Psychology
W.E.F. : 2025-26	Teaching Hours: 60 Hours

Teaching & Examination Scheme:

					Internal Marks		External		Passing	Passing	Total	
	Credit	Lec	Lec Lab Tut					Marks		Marks	Marks	Marks
					Т	P	CE	Т	P	Internal	External	Int+
												Ext
	4	4	-	_	20	-	20	60	-	16/40	24/60	40/100

Lect=Lecture, Tut=Tutorial, Lab=Lab, T-Theory, P=Practical Theory & Practical Passing %:40

Course Objectives:	1. To understand the fundamental concepts of Criminal Psychology.			
	(L2 UNDERSTANDING)			
	2. To analyze treatment and intervention methods for abnormal			
	offenders. (L4 ANALYZING)			
	3. To examine the role of psychology in criminal trials and legal			
	proceedings. (L4 ANALYZING)			
	4. To understand the impact of social psychology and group Psychology on			
	criminal behavior. (L2 UNDERSTANDING)			

Course Outcome (CO):

Upon completion of the course, student shall be able to

CO 1	Differentiate between types of criminal behaviors and psychological disorders associated with them.
CO 2	Evaluate treatment and intervention strategies for abnormal offenders.



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CO 3	Analyze the role of psychology in legal trials and courtroom settings.
CO 4	Apply psychological theories to criminal cases and legal contexts.

DETAILED SYLLABUS

Unit	Description	Credits / Hours		
1.	Introduction to Criminal Psychology	25% (4)		
	Meaning			
	Types of Criminal Psychology			
1.1	CASE LAW			
	1. R v. M'Naghten (1843) 10 Cl & Fin 200			
	2. State of Rajasthan v. Shera Ram (2011) 13 SCC 616			
	3. Dahyabhai Chhaganbhai Thakkar v. State of Gujarat (AIR 1964 SC			
	1563)			
	4. Shreya Singhal v. Union of India (2015) 5 SCC 1			
1.2	PRACTICAL REFERENCE			
	1. Presentation (10 minutes per group)			
	2. Group Discussion			
2.	Treatment and intervention on Abnormal Offenders	25%		
	Treatment and intervention on Abnormal Offenders with particular	(4)		
	Crimes Act			
2.1	Case law			
	1. State of Rajasthan v. Shera Ram (2011)			
	2. Jitendra Singh v. State of U.P. (2003)			
	3. E. Micheal Raj v. Narcotic Control Bureau (2008)			
2.2	Practical Application			
	1. Debate			
	2. Role-Play: Insanity Defense / Mental Status Evaluation			
	3. Crime Scene + Intervention Plan Combo			
3.	Role of Psychology on Criminal Trials	25% (4)		



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3.1	Case Law	
	1. Queen v. Daniel M'Naghten (1843)	
	2. Frye v. United States (1923)	
	3. Selvi v. State of Karnataka (2010, India)	
	4. Barefoot v. Estelle (1983)	
3.2	Practical Application	
	1. Role Play	
	2. Debrief Discussion	
4.	SocialPsychologyand Psychologyof Group	25% (4)
4.1	Case law	
	1. Shreya Singhal v. Union of India (2015)	
	2. Mob Lynching Cases (e.g., Tehseen S. Poonawalla v. Union of	
	India, 2018)	
	3. Naz Foundation v. Government of NCT of Delhi (2009)	
4.2	Practical Application	
	Group polarization debate	
	2. Team task	

Sugges	ted References:						
Sr.							
No.	Books:						
	1. Bartol, C. R., & Bartol, A.M.(2018). Criminal Behavior: A Psychological						
	Approach. Pearson.						
	2. Blackburn, R. (1993). The Psychology of Criminal Conduct: Theory,						
	Research, and Practice. Wiley.						
	3. Andrews, D.A.,& Bonta, J.(2010). The Psychology of Criminal Conduct.						
	Routledge.						
	4. Hollin, C. R.(2013). Psychology and Crime: An Introduction to						
	Criminological Psychology. Routledge.						
	5. Gudjonsson, G.H.(2003). The Psychology of Interrogations and						



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Confessions: A Handbook. Wiley.

Websites:

- 1. American Psychological Association (APA)
- 2. National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS)
- 3. PsychologyToday-Criminal Psychology
- 4. Harvard Law Review
- 5. Legal Information Institute (Cornel Law School)