Anand Law College

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Name of Course: LL.B. 3 Years	Type of Course: Honors
Year : 1ˢᵗ Year	Semester : 2ⁿᵈ Semester
Subject Code: UGH02ELLB01	Subject: Criminal Sociology
W.E.F. : 2025-26	Teaching Hours: 60 Hours

Teaching & Examination Scheme:

Credit	Lec	Lab	Tut	Internal Marks			External Marks		Passing Marks	Passing Marks	Total Marks
				T	P	CE	T	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 provide an understanding of the relationship between sociology and criminology. 2. To explore various theories of crime and their applications. 3. To examine crime prevention strategies from social, cultural, and legal perspectives. 4. To study political crimes, including offenses committed by and against governments.

Course Outcome (CO):
Upon completion of the course, student shall be able to

CO 1	Explain criminology from a sociological perspective.
CO 2	Apply different theories of crime to real-world criminal cases.
CO 3	Evaluate crime prevention strategies from a community and justice system perspective.
CO 4	Analyze political crimes and their impact on society.

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DETAILED SYLLABUS

Unit	Description	Credits / Hours
1.	Criminology and the Sociological Perspective	**25%** **(4)**
1.1	The Sociological Perspectives	
1.2	Crime, Deviance, and Criminal Law	
1.3	Research Methods in Criminology	
1.4	Practical Application 1. Case Study Discussions: Analyze real-world criminal cases to identify sociological factors 2. Explore how different sociological theories explain crime and deviance 3. Mini Field Research Projects	
2.	Theories of Crime	**25%** **(4)**
2.1	Classical and Neoclassical Perspectives	
2.2	Theology and Science	
2.3	Rational Choice Theory and Deterrence Theory	
2.4	Routine Activities Theory	
2.5	Biological and Psychological Theories	
2.6	Sociological Theories	
2.7	Anomie and Strain Theories	
2.8	Social Disorganization and Social Ecology	
2.9	Learning Theories	
2.10	Control Theories	
3.	Reducing Crime	**25%** **(4)**
3.1	Social, Cultural and Community Crime Prevention	
3.2	Developmental Crime Prevention	
3.3	Criminal Justice Approaches to Crime Prevention	
3.4	Practical Application 1. Practical Activity: Community Engagement Project Partner with a	

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		local NGO, community group, or school.	
		2. Observe and interview professionals about crime prevention methods	
4.		Political Crime	25% (4)
4.1		Crimes by Government	
4.2		Crimes Against Government	
4.3		Practical Application	
		1. Debate	
		2. Guest lecture	

Suggested References:	
Sr. No.	**References**

Books:

1. Vold, G. B., Bernard, T. J., & Snipes, J. B. (2016). *Theoretical Criminology*. Oxford University Press.

2. Lilly, J. R., Cullen, F. T., & Ball, R. A. (2019). *Criminological Theory: Context and Consequences*. SAGE Publications.

3. Siegel, L. J. (2020). *Criminology: The Core*. Cengage Learning.

4. Akers, R. L., & Sellers, C. S. (2012). *Criminological Theories: Introduction, Evaluation, and Application*. Oxford University Press.

5. Beirne, P., & Messerschmidt, J. (2014). *Criminology: A Sociological Approach*. Oxford University Press.

Online References:

1. National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

2. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) - Crime Statistics

3. National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS)

4. American Sociological Association - Criminology

5. Harvard Law Review