



Anand Law College
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Syllabus with effect from the Academic Year 2025-26

Nme of Course: LLB 3 year	Type of Course: Honors
Year : 1st Year	Semester : 1st Semester
Subject Code : ALCH01ELLB1	Subject: CRIMINAL PSYCHOLOGY
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:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To understand the fundamental concepts of Criminal Psychology. L2 UNDERSTANDING2. To analyze treatment and intervention methods for abnormal offenders. L4 ANALYZING3. To examine the role of psychology in criminal trials and legal proceedings. L4 ANALYZING4. To understand the impact of social psychology and group
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Course Outcome(CO):

Upon completion of the course, student shall be able to



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

Total Teaching Hours: 60 Hours

Unit	Description	Weightage/ Credits
1.	Introduction to Criminal Psychology	25% (4)
	Meaning	
	Types of Criminal Psychology	
1.1	CASE LAW 1. <i>R v. M'Naghten</i> (1843) 10 Cl & Fin 200 2. <i>State of Rajasthan v. Shera Ram</i> (2011) 13 SCC 616 3. <i>Dahyabhai Chhaganbhai Thakkar v. State of Gujarat</i> (AIR 1964 SC 1563) 4. <i>Shreya Singhal v. Union of India</i> (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% (4)
	Treatment and intervention on Abnormal Offenders with particular Crimes Act	
2.1	Case law 1. <i>State of Rajasthan v. Shera Ram</i> (2011) 2. <i>Jitendra Singh v. State of U.P.</i> (2003)	



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	3. <i>E. Micheal Raj v. Narcotic Control Bureau (2008)</i>	
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)
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.	Social Psychology and Psychology of Group	25% (4)
4.1	<i>Case law</i> 1. <i>Shreya Singhal v. Union of India (2015)</i> 2. <i>Mob Lynching Cases (e.g., Tehseen S. Poonawalla v. Union of India, 2018)</i> 3. <i>Naz Foundation v. Government of NCT of Delhi (2009)</i>	
4.2	Practical Application 1. Group polarization debate 2. Team task	



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Suggested References:

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No.**

References

Books:

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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.
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5. Gudjonsson, G.H.(2003).The Psychology of Interrogations and Confessions: A Handbook. Wiley.

Websites:

1. [American Psychological Association \(APA\)](#)
2. [NationalCriminalJusticeReferenceService \(NCJRS\)](#)
3. PsychologyToday-Criminal Psychology
4. [HarvardLaw Review](#)
5. LegalInformationInstitute(CornellLawSchool)
