



Anand Law College
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Syllabus with effect from the Academic Year 2024-25



Name of Course: LLB 3 year	Type of Course: Honors
Year : 1 st Year	Semester : 2 ND Semester
Subject Code : ALCH02ELLB3	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 Passing%: 40, Practical Passing %: 40

Course Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To provide an understanding of the relationship between sociology and criminology. L2 Understand To explore various theories of crime and their applications. L4 Analyze To examine crime prevention strategies from social, cultural, and legal perspectives. L5 Evaluation To study political crimes, including offenses committed by and against governments L4 Analyze
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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: Criminal Sociology
Total Teaching Hours: 60 Hours

Unit	Description	Credits/
1.	Criminology and the Sociological Perspective	25%
1.1	The Sociological Perspectives	(4)
1.2	Crime, Deviance, and Criminal Law	15 Hours
1.3	Research Methods in Criminology	
1.4	Case Study 1. Mohd. Giasuddin v. State of A.P. (1977) 2. Bachan Singh v. State of Punjab (1980) 3. Ram Lakhan v. State of U.P. (1973) 4. State of Punjab v. Gurmit Singh (1996) 5. Prakash Singh v. Union of India (2006) 6. Selvi v. State of Karnataka (2010)	
1.5	Practical Application 1.Think & link (15 minutes) 2.Role play – society on trial 3.Think–write–share (15 minutes) 4.Rapid fire quiz (10 minutes)	
2.	Theories of Crime	25%
2.1	Classical and Neoclassical Perspectives	(4)
2.2	Theology and Science	15 Hours
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	
2.11	Case Study 1. State of Maharashtra v. Mohd. Yakub (1980) 2. Nirbhaya Case – Mukesh v. State (2017) 3.State of Kerala v. Raneef (2011)	
2.12	Practical Application 1.Theory snapshot 2.Case–to–theory matching 3.“Why did the crime happen?”	
3.	Reducing Crime	25%
3.1	Social, Cultural and Community Crime Prevention	(4)
3.2	Developmental Crime Prevention	15 Hours
3.3	Criminal Justice Approaches to Crime Prevention	



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3.4	Case Study 1. Mohd. Giasuddin v. State of A.P. (1977) 2. Salil Bali v. Union of India (2013) 4. State of Gujarat v. Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat (1998)	
3.5	Practical Application 1. Brainstorming wall 2. Case-based group work 3. Role play – “crime prevention council”	
4.	Political Crime	25% (4) 15 Hours
4.1	Crimes by Government	
4.2	Crimes Against Government	
4.3	Case Study 1. Nilabati Behera v. State of Orissa (1993) 2. Justice K.S. Puttaswamy v. Union of India (2017) 3. Kedar Nath Singh v. State of Bihar (1962) 4. Balwant Singh v. State of Punjab (1995) 5. Navjot Sandhu (Parliament Attack Case) (2005) 6. PUCL v. Union of India (2003)	
4.4	Practical Application 1. Think & define 2. Role play – “the constitutional court” 3. Comparative chart	

Suggested References:

Sr.No.	References
Books:	
	Vold, G. B., Bernard, T. J., & Snipes, J. B. (2016). <i>Theoretical Criminology</i> . Oxford University Press.
	Lilly, J. R., Cullen, F. T., & Ball, R. A. (2019). <i>Criminological Theory: Context and Consequences</i> . SAGE Publications.
	Siegel, L. J. (2020). <i>Criminology: The Core</i> . Cengage Learning.
	Akers, R. L., & Sellers, C. S. (2012). <i>Criminological Theories: Introduction, Evaluation, and Application</i> . Oxford University Press.
	Beirne, P., & Messerschmidt, J. (2014). <i>Criminology: A Sociological Approach</i> . Oxford University Press.
Websites:	
	National Institute of Justice (NIJ)
	Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) - Crime Statistics
	National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS)
	American Sociological Association - Criminology
	Harvard Law Review



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