University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Probation officer's work - lecture, PG_00132771						
Field of study	Criminology						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject	2026/2027			
Education level	Master's studies		Subject group	Optional subject group			
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery	at the university			
Year of study	1		Language of instruction	Polish			
Semester of study	2		ECTS credits	1.0			
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form	credit			
Conducting unit	Division of Criminology -> Department of Material Criminal Law and Criminology -> Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr Krzysztof Stasiak					
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours	Self-study	SUM	
	Number of study hours	20		0.0	5.0	25	
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to present the institution of the probation service as an indispensable tool of modern policy for solving social problems and the principles of probation officers' performance of their official tasks.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[KRYMMU2_K01] Is aware of the level of their knowledge and skills, critically evaluates them, understands the need for lifelong learning, and recognizes the importance of knowledge in solving cognitive and practical problems; when unable to solve a problem independently, seeks the opinions of experts.	The student is aware of their own level of knowledge and skills relating to the performance of a probation officer's duties, is able to assess these critically, and understands the need to continually expand their knowledge and improve their professional skills; furthermore, in the event of complex issues, they are able to draw on the knowledge and opinions of specialists.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[KRYMMU2_W02] Has an in-depth knowledge of the nature of natural sciences related to the studied major, their place in the system of sciences and their mutual relations	The student has an in-depth understanding of the place and significance of the natural sciences, in particular the human sciences, within the body of knowledge used in the work of a probation officer, and understands their links with the social sciences and criminology.	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
	[KRYMMU2_W01] Has in-depth knowledge of the nature of legal sciences and penal sciences, their place within the system of sciences, their mutual relationships, and the main directions of their development, as well as their connections with other fields of science and the axiological and social determinants of activities related to counteracting crime.	The student has an in-depth understanding of the significance of legal and criminal sciences for the performance of a probation officer's duties, their links with the social sciences and other fields of study, and the social and axiological determinants of activities relating to the enforcement of court judgements and the prevention of crime.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
	[KRYMMU2_W06] Has in-depth knowledge and is familiar with the terminology used in psychology, sociology, and related disciplines applied in criminology, and understands the fundamental dilemmas of contemporary civilization associated with these fields. The graduate is also familiar with the basic principles of intellectual property and copyright protection, as well as the conditions for the creation and development of various forms of entrepreneurship.	The student has in-depth knowledge of, and is familiar with the terminology used in psychology, sociology and related disciplines as applied to the work of a probation officer, in particular with regard to understanding how individuals subject to probation measures function, and also understands the fundamental social and ethical dilemmas associated with this.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion

Subject contents	1. The institution of probation in Poland and in the world - its origins and evolution. 2. Organisation of the probation service in Poland. 3. Court professional curator as an organ of executive proceedings. 4. The court probation officer in the procedural, substantive and executive law: - supervision,- restriction of liberty sentence and socially useful work, - imprisonment in the electronic supervision system, - community interviews,- control of the probation period, - deprivation measures, - supervision resulting from Article 181a § 2 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, - post-penitentiary assistance, - preparation of the convict for life after release from the penitentiary institution, - role of the probation officer in the execution of security measures, - juvenile as a perpetrator of a criminal act - role of the family probation officer in work with juveniles, - supervision of the family probation officer, - participation of the probation officer in the contact of an authorised person with a child, - taking a minor from an unauthorised person,- environmental interviews of the family probation officer, - other tasks.
Prerequisites and co-requisites	There is no.
Assessment methods and criteria	

Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
test plus case study	51.0%	100.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	Stasiak K. (ed.), Metodyki pracy kuratora sądowego, WoltersKluwer Publishing House, current edition.Stasiak K., Ustawa o kuratorówach sądowych. Komentarz, Wydawnictwo WoltersKluwer, current edition.

	Supplementary literature	Bałandynowicz A., Probation. System sprawiedliwego karania, Warsaw 2002Lelental S., Kodeks karny wykonawczy. Commentary, current edition.Szymanowski T., Prawo karne wykonawcze z elementami polityki karnej i penitencjarnej, Wolters Kluwer Publishing House, current edition.Tyszkiewicz L., Badania osobopoznawcze w prawie karnym, Warsaw 1975.Smyczyński T., Prawo rodzinne i opiekuńcze, current edition.
	eResources addresses	
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Tasks of the probation officer in relation to the execution of probation.	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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