

Subject card

Subject name and code	European Criminal Law - lecture, PG_00201659						
Field of study	Criminology and Criminal Justice						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026	Academic year of realisation of subject			2028/2029		
Education level	Bachelor's studies	Subject group			Obligatory subject group in the field of study		
Mode of study	full-time studies	Mode of delivery			at the university		
Year of study	3	Language of instruction			English		
Semester of study	5	ECTS credits			4.0		
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form			exam		
Conducting unit	Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		mgr Dawid Marko				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	30.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30
	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	30		2.0		68.0	100
Subject objectives	To provide a basic knowledge of cooperation in criminal matters in the European Union.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[CCJL3_KR04] is ready to undertake professional challenges, undertakes effort and is characterized by perseverance in the implementation of individual as well as team activities in the field of criminology and related sciences	The student is ready to take on professional challenges, works hard, and shows perseverance in carrying out individual and team activities in the field of European criminal law.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK2] presentation/project/paper/report [SK4] test/exam - oral or written [SK5] implementation of a problem task [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[CCJL3_WG01] has an enhanced knowledge of the nature of legal sciences, including, in particular, the branches of law related to the studied major, knows their place in the field of social sciences and understands the relations between them	The student has expanded knowledge of European criminal law and its significance for substantive and procedural criminal law.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report [SW5] implementation of a problem task
	[CCJL3_UW04] is able to use theoretical knowledge to solve typical problems related to criminology and the functioning of the national and international justice system, as well as to analyze legal and ethical dilemmas in professional work in this area, and to organize their own research work, plan and conduct simple empirical studies	The student is able to use theoretical knowledge of European criminal law to solve typical problems related to the functioning of the mechanism of cooperation in criminal matters in the EU, as well as to analyse legal and ethical dilemmas in professional work in this area, and to organise their own research work, plan and conduct simple empirical research.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written [SU5] implementation of a problem task [SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[CCJL3_WG04] Has a well-structured and enhanced knowledge of the norms and principles prevailing in structures and institutions related to criminology, including advanced knowledge of the role of state bodies in counteracting sociopathological phenomena, especially crimes, the internal structure of these bodies and their competencies	The student has structured and in-depth knowledge of EU institutions supporting cross-border cooperation in criminal matters.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report [SW5] implementation of a problem task
	[CCJL3_UK05] Is able to articulate basic statements with the use of specialized terminology characteristic of criminology and related disciplines to a basic extent, present opinions, positions and discuss them in this regard	The student is able to formulate basic statements using specialist terminology characteristic of European criminal law, present opinions and positions in this area, and discuss them.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written [SU5] implementation of a problem task [SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[CCJL3_WG07] Has advanced knowledge of the problems of perpetrators and victims of crime, including the causes of socio-pathological behavior, factors affecting victimization, measures to prevent secondary victimization, as well as the duties and rights of these persons in the course of criminal proceedings	The student has in-depth knowledge of the rights of victims of crime and individuals suspected or accused of committing a crime, as stipulated by European criminal law.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report [SW5] implementation of a problem task

Subject contents	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The concept and subject matter of European criminal law. 2. Evolution of EU Member States' cooperation in the field of criminal law. 3. Sources of EU law. Interpretation of European criminal law. The importance of the Court of Justice of the EU. 4. Protection of fundamental rights in the EU. The Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU. Importance of the European Convention on Human Rights. The European principle of ne bis in idem. 5. EU institutions and their role in relation to cooperation in criminal matters. Bodies promoting cooperation in criminal matters. The Office of the European Public Prosecutor. 6. European cooperation in the area of substantive criminal law (Types of cooperation. EU competence to harmonise substantive criminal law. Areas of substantive criminal law covered by harmonisation) 7. Harmonisation of procedural criminal law (Rights of victims of crime. Conflicts of jurisdiction. Procedural guarantees in criminal proceedings) 8. Principles of judicial cooperation in criminal matters within the EU. 9. Judicial cooperation in criminal matters (Legal aid in criminal matters - European Investigation Order. European arrest warrant. Mutual recognition of decisions. Mutual recognition of evidence) 10. Police cooperation in criminal matters. 11. Perspectives for the development of European criminal law. 		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Examination	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A. Grzelak, M. Królikowski, A. Sakowicz (eds.), Europejskie prawo karne, C.H. BECK, Warszawa 2012 2. V. Mitsilegas, EU Criminal Law, Hart, Oxford 2022 3. Öberg J., The Normative Foundations for EU Criminal Justice: Powers, Limits and Justifications, Bloomsbury, Oxford 2024 	
	Supplementary literature	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A. Klip, European Criminal Law. An Integrative Approach, 4th ed., Intersentia, Cambridge 2021 2. K. Ambos, European Criminal Law, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge 2018 3. H. Satzger, International and European Criminal Law, 2nd ed., CH.BECK-Hart-Nomos, Munich 2018 4. U. Sieber, H. Satzger, B. von Heintschel-Heinegg (eds.), Europäisches Strafrecht, Baden-Baden 2014 5. Roberto E. Kostoris, Handbook of European Criminal Procedure, Springer, Cham 2018 6. A. Grzelak, T. Ostropolski, Współpraca wymiarów sprawiedliwości w sprawach karnych i współpraca policyjna, Warszawa 2011 7. R. Potorski (ed.), Współpraca policyjna i sądowa w sprawach karnych w Unii Europejskiej: geneza, struktury, działania, Toruń 2011 8. M. Szwarc-Kuczer, Kompetencje Unii Europejskiej w dziedzinie harmonizacji prawa karnego materialnego, Warszawa 2011 9. Europejski nakaz aresztowania w teorii i praktyce państw członkowskich Unii Europejskiej, ed. P. Hofmański, Warszawa 2008 10. M. Kusak, Postępowanie karne w sprawach międzynarodowych. Podręcznik praktyczny, Warszawa 2017 11. M. Kusak, Dowody zagraniczne. Gromadzenie i dopuszczalność w polskim procesie karnym. Przewodnik z wzorami, Warszawa 2018 12. Z. Barwina, Zasada wzajemnego uznawania w sprawach karnych, Warszawa 2012 13. A. Sakowicz, Zasada ne bis in idem w prawie karnym w ujęciu paneuropejskim, Białystok 2011 	
	eResources addresses		

Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. What is European criminal law? What is its nature and what micro-systems does it consist of?2. What is the phenomenon of the Europeanisation of criminal law?3. How does RE affect national criminal law, including procedural law?4. How does the EU influence national criminal law, including procedural law?
Work placement	Not applicable

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