

Course Syllabus

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits		
LAW-242	Criminal Law II	6		
Prerequisites	Department	Semester		
LAW-241	Law	Spring		
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction		
Required/Core	Law	English		
Level of Course	Lecturer	Year of Study		
1 st Cycle	Kleopas Stylianou	2 nd		
Mode of Delivery Conventional	Work Placement N/A	Corequisites None		

Course Objectives:

The course objectives are to:

To analyse and discuss the elements of the offences: Homicide, Non-fatal offences against the person, Sexual offences, Offences under the Theft Acts, Fraud, and Criminal Damage. Every chapter will also analyse the crimes' defences and excuses in conjunction with relevant case law. The course also aims to familiarize students with complex cases that combine different offences and parties to the crime.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course, students are expected to be able to:

- 1. Distinguish between murder and homicide and apply defences and excuses
- 2. Differentiate between fatal and non-fatal offences against the person
- 3. Comprehend and analyse differences among sexual offences and differentiate between sexual offences against adults and children
- 4. Understand in-depth the Fraud Act and be able to apply the current case law tests
- 5. Differentiate between theft offences and theft-related offences, and comprehend the notion of aggravation in certain offences such as burglary while differentiating to robbery.
- 6. Find legal issues in complex criminal cases and apply solutions with clarity



Course Content

- 1. Homicide: Murder and Manslaughter (elements, excuses and defences)
- 2. Non- fatal offences against the person (assault and battery, aggravated assaults)
- 3. Non-fatal offences against the person (wounding and grievous bodily harm- necessity and consent)
- 4. Sexual Offences: Rape, Sexual assault (elements and defences)
- 5. Sexual Offences against children, persons with mental disorder and familial sex offences
- 6. Theft and Robbery
- 7. Burglary and Aggravated Burglary.
- 8. Blackmail. Handling.
- 9. Fraud and ancillary offences
- 10. Criminal Damage

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Interactive lectures, case law presentation and discussion, group discussions, dialogue via the Socratic method

Assessment Methods:

Presentation and in-class participation in discussion, case law research and assignments, exams

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Criminal Law	Allen and Edwards	Oxford University Press	2021	9780198869931



Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

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Text Cases, and Materials on Criminal Law	D. Ormerod & K. Laird	Oxford University Press	2020	9780198831945
Ashworth's Principles of Criminal Law	Jeremy Horder	Oxford University Press	2019	9780198777663
Smith, Hogan, and Ormerod's Essentials of Criminal Law 4th Edition	John Child, David Ormerod	Oxford University Press	2021	9780198869962
The Oxford Handbook of Criminal Law	Markus D. Dubber (ed.), Tatjana Hörnle (ed.)	Oxford University Press	2014	9780191751738