



## Course Syllabus

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>ECTS Credits</b>
PSY-235	Psychology of Victims	6
<b>Prerequisites</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Semester</b>
PSY-110	Social Sciences	Fall/Spring
<b>Type of Course</b>	<b>Field</b>	<b>Language of Instruction</b>
Elective	Psychology	English
<b>Level of Course</b>	<b>Lecturer(s)</b>	<b>Year of Study</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle	Dr Stavroula Soukara	2 <sup>nd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Mode of Delivery</b>	<b>Work Placement</b>	<b>Corequisites</b>
Face to face	N/A	None

### Course Objectives:

This course provides an introduction to criminal victimization via an overview of current theory, research, and trends within the context of specific victimization types. The focus is on the psychology of victims and the social context of victimization, and various types of victimization are examined including violent, sexual, psychological, child abuse and domestic partner abuse. Emphasis is given on the impact of crime on victims and society, the role of victims within the criminal justice system, specific remedies, and victim rights and services.

### Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Explain the psychology and typology of victims
2. Appreciate tools to assist victims
3. Recognize that crime victims make up half the crime equation and they are of utmost importance
4. Understand and integrate major theoretical explanations of criminal victimization
5. Interpret and define the social construction of victimization in modern society
6. Become familiar with the common psychological effects of trauma and the most common mental health diagnoses found in persons who experience victimization.

**Course Content:**

1. Psychology and Typology of Victims
2. Measuring Victimization
3. Hate Crimes
4. Sexual Victimization
5. Intimate Partner Violence
6. Child Maltreatment
7. Victimization at Work
8. Victimization at School
9. Forensic Victimology
10. Media and Victims
11. Victims Against the Elderly
12. Victimization in Prisons

**Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Lectures, Discussions, Case Studies

**Assessment Methods:**

Exams, Assignments

**Required Textbooks / Readings:**

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Victimology, 9 E	Doerner, W.G. and Lab, S.B.	Routledge	2021	9781138690295
Victimology: The Essentials	Daigle, L. E.	Sage	2019	978- 1544393193

**Recommended Textbooks / Readings:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Author(s)</b>	<b>Publisher</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>ISBN</b>
Forensic Victimology: Examining Violent Crime Victims in Investigative and Legal Contexts	Turvey, B.	Academic Press	2023	978-0128217689
Essentials of Victimology: Crime Victims, Theories, Controversies, and Victims' Rights	Yager, Y.	Aspen	2021	978-1543829334
The Wiley Handbook on the Psychology of Violence	Cuevas, C. A. and Rennison, C. A.	Wiley	2016	9781118303153