

# COURSE DETAIL

## CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

**Country**

United Kingdom - England

**Host Institution**

King's College London

**Program(s)**

King's College London

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Legal Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

105

**UCEAP Course Suffix**

Y

**UCEAP Official Title**

CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

CRIMINOLOGY&JUSTICE

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

12.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

8.00

### **Course Description**

This course raises questions about state powers to coerce, to intrude into people's private lives, and to inflict the pains of punishment. In recent years, there has been a radical shift from "just deserts" to "public protection" and prevention of re-offending. Criminal justice policies determined to be "tough on crime and tough on the causes of crime" have led to an astonishing increase in the use of imprisonment. The female prison population, for example, has more than tripled in two decades. The course covers all the major issues including patterns of crime and criminological theories of the causes of, and responses to, criminal behavior. Students examine policing, prosecution, sentencing, and the purpose and effects of imprisonment. Students consider special categories of offender – including children and young people, women, and those considered dangerous. Students examine how political ideology informs and shapes criminal justice policy. At all stages, they consider race, class, and gender and whether the system provides equal rights and protection to defendants, victims, and wider society.

### **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

### **Host Institution Course Number**

6FFLK020

### **Host Institution Course Title**

CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

### **Host Institution Campus**

King's College London/ Strand Campus

### **Host Institution Faculty**

### **Host Institution Degree**

### **Host Institution Department**

Law

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