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Course Code	Course Name	Semester	Theory	Practice	Lab	Credit	ECTS
SOC437	SOCIOLOGY OF DEVIANT BEHAVIOR AND CRIME	7	3	0	0	3	6

Prerequisites	
Admission Requirements	

Language of Instruction	French
Course Type	Elective
Course Level	Bachelor Degree
Objective	This course aims to demonstrate the relativity of deviant behavior and crime. It enables students to identify core definitions, conceptualizations, and debates surrounding both criminal and non-criminal deviance. It introduces students to classical, modern, and contemporary critical theories of crime and deviance. It examines several prevalent forms of modern criminality, such as organized crime and white-collar crime, as well as non-violent forms of deviance associated with physical or psychological conditions. Furthermore, the course analyzes various organizational and institutional responses to criminal and non-criminal deviance (e.g., criminalization, punishment, incarceration, surveillance), alongside associated societal reactions (e.g., stigmatization, medicalization, moral panic, fear of crime).
Content	This course offers a sociological introduction to the study of deviance, crime, and criminality. It focuses on how societies define and construct norms, deviance, and crime, as well as the social and institutional processes through which certain behaviors are criminalized and specific categories of individuals are designated as deviant or criminal. The course will address various forms of deviance and crime—including juvenile delinquency, violent crime, organized crime, state crime, corporate crime, hate crime, etc.—alongside major sociological approaches that provide insight into their manifestations, logic, and social drivers. Finally, particular attention will be given to social and institutional reactions to deviance and crime: social control, stigmatization, sanctions, prevention, and criminal justice. The objective is thus to understand crime and deviance not as fixed, timeless realities, but as socially constructed, defined, and regulated phenomena.

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Theory Topics

Week	Weekly Contents
1	I. Constructing the Object: Norms, Deviance, and Crime 1. Norms, Deviance, and Normality: Plurality of norms, conformity, deviance, and the relativity of deviant behaviors.
2	2. The Social and Legal Construction of Crime: Definition of crime, criminalization, penal law, and the construction of criminal categories.
3	3. Crime, Criminals, and Criminology: The genesis of criminology, classifications of crime and criminals, and early explanatory approaches.
4	II. Explaining and Understanding Crime and Deviance. 4 — "Causes" of Crime and Deviance: Individuals and Social Environment:
5	5 — Social Structure, Inequalities, and Crime
6	6 — Anomie Theories and Deviant Subcultures
7	7- Social Learning and Techniques of Neutralization
8	Deviance, Labeling, and Stigmatization: Interactionism, labeling theory, moral entrepreneurs, designation, and construction of the "deviant".
9	Crime Prevention and Control: Policing Crime
10	Institutional Responses to Crime and Deviance: Criminal justice, penality, and the medicalization of deviance.
11	Juvenile Delinquency: Construction of the "juvenile delinquency" category, socialization, deviant trajectories, and social and institutional reactions.
12	Violent and Non-Violent Crime: Homicide, interpersonal and sexual violence, property crime, and other offenses; social construction of the boundaries between violence and non-violence.
13	State Crime, Organized Crime, and Corporate Crime
14	General Course Review