

DESCRIPTION OF COURSES*

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[778] SOCIAL and CRIME CONTROL, 3rd Semester, ECTS 5

The course (Winter Semester) analyses:

- The formal mechanisms of social control, i.e. Justice, Police and Corrections; their organization, effectiveness and (professional) culture. In particular, it focuses on decision making of justice and police personnel, their operation and functions in the context of the sociology of organisations. It also examines the role of correctional institutions in crime prevention and stabilisation of lawful behaviour.
- Afterwards, it analyses the criteria and factors of news' selection from the mass media, especially referring to violence and crime, as well as to the forms of reality TV.

Handbooks:

- Effi Lambropoulou, *Crime and Social Control*. Papasissis, Athens 1994.
- Effi Lambropoulou, *The Social Construction of Reality and the Mass Media: The Case of Violence and Criminality* (Lecture notes, Pandemos, Panteion University library).

* The analysis of the four courses is based on American, European, and Greek research. In all courses are shown movies and documentaries related to the content of the lessons and educational visits to courts et al. are carried out. Handbooks and Lecture notes are in Greek language.