

COURSE TITLE	SENTENCES AND SENTENCING
COURSE CODE	10LM0301
COURSE CREDITS	3

Objective:

- 1 To impart basic understanding of criminal policies including theories of punishment, their justifications and the problematic of discretion in the sentencing experience of the 'developing' societies.
- 2 To impart basic understanding of criminal policies including theories of punishment, their justifications and the problematic of discretion in the sentencing experience of the 'developing' societies.
- 3 To appreciate punishment and imprisonment as methods of preventing and control of crime.

Course Outcomes: After completion of this course, student will be able to:

- 1 Understand the concepts & theories of punishment
- 2 Know the characteristics of Sentences and Sentencing
- 3 Evaluate the approaches and processes of Sentencing and imprisonment

Pre-requisite of course: The course is designed to achieve Following Objectives: • To impart basic understanding of criminal policies including theories of punishment, their justifications and the problematic of discretion in the sentencing experience of the 'developing' societies. • To appreciate punishment and imprisonment as methods of preventing and control of crime.

Teaching and Examination Scheme

Theory Hours	Tutorial Hours	Practical Hours	ESE	IA	CSE	Viva	Term Work
2	1	0	50	30	20	0	0

Contents : Unit	Topics	Contact Hours
1	Concept, Nature and Scope of Punishment Concept and Nature of Punishment, Object and Purpose of Punishment, Forms of Punishment, Judicial Approach towards Capital Punishment in India; Principle of Rare of the Rarest Case	
2	Theories of Punishment Deterrence Theory, Retributive Theory, Preventive Theory, Reformatory Theory	

Contents : Unit	Topics	Contact Hours
3	Sentencing Principle types of Sentences in Penal Code, The problems of Default Sentence (Imprisonment for non Payment of fine), Pre-sentence Hearing , Sentencing for Habitual Offender, Summary Punishment , Sentencing for Habitual Offender, Summary Punishment, Sentencing Process and Marginalized Accused , Plea Bargaining	
4	Sentencing and Imprisonment Approaches to Sentencing: Alternatives to Sentencing, Approaches to Sentencing: Probation & Parole , Approaches to Sentencing: Corrective Labour, Approaches to Sentencing: Fine , Remission and Commutation of Sentence Imprisonment (a) Jail System & (b) Classification of prisons, Remission and Commutation of Sentence Imprisonment (c) Open Prisons , Rights of prisoners & Duties of custodial staff	
Total Hours		

Suggested List of Experiments:

Contents : Unit	Topics	Contact Hours
1	Issues in Sentences and Sentencing Concept of Punishments, Object and forms of Punishments, Judicial Approach, Theories , Death Penalty, Habitual Offender, Summary trial/ Punishment, Plea Bargaining, Alternatives to sentencing, Probation, Commutation, Rights of Prisoners	
Total Hours		

Textbook :

- 1 Criminology, Girjesh Shukla, Lexis Nexis , 2014

References:

- 1 Principles of Criminology, Principles of Criminology, Sutherland and Cressey, Surjeet Publications , 2011

Suggested Theory Distribution:

The suggested theory distribution as per Bloom's taxonomy is as follows. This distribution serves as guidelines for teachers and students to achieve effective teaching-learning process

Distribution of Theory for course delivery					
Remember / Knowledge	Understand	Apply	Analyze	Evaluate	Higher order Thinking / Creative
10.00	10.00	30.00	10.00	20.00	20.00

Supplementary Resources:

- 1 <https://www.probono-india.in/blog-detail.php?id=152>