

# The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

# Basic Aspects in Forensic Science for Criminologists - 61206

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HU Credits: 2

<u>Degree/Cycle:</u> 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: criminology

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

<u>Teaching Languages:</u> Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

Course/Module Coordinator: Dr. Elazar (Azi) Zadok

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## **Teaching Staff:**

Dr. Azi Zadok

## Course/Module description:

Introduction of fundamental issues in Forensic Science and their contribution to criminal investigation; Basic introduction to the scientific techniques used by Forensic Scientists.

#### Course/Module aims:

Criminology students will acquire basic knowledge of Forensic Science, its methods and contribution to the wide framework of the criminal investigation.

<u>Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:</u>

To understand the importance of Forensic Science and appreciate the performance strategy of the Forensic Scientist; Consider the possible contribution of Forensic science to their work as criminologists.

# <u>Attendance requirements(%):</u>

80%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction:

#### Course/Module Content:

Historic overview; Basic concepts; Crime scene investigation; The use of field kits; Scientific evaluation of exhibits in the lab: Chemical, biological, physical and engineering techniques; Forensic databases and their utilization; Comparative evidence of all sorts; Forensic expert opinion and ethics; Identification of victims of terror events and mass disasters; Forensic intelligence; Glance at investigative Psychology etc.

#### Required Reading:

Siegel Jay A. "Forensic Science: The Basics", CRC Press 2015 2. Saferstein, Criminalistics: Introduction to Forensic Science, 10th edition . קולין אוואנס, (1998), יומני חקירה, הוצאת כרטא, ירושלים.

# Additional Reading Material:

#### Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 100 %
Presentation 0 %
Participation in Tutorials 0 %
Project work 0 %
Assignments 0 %
Reports 0 %
Research project 0 %
Quizzes 0 %
Other 0 %

#### Additional information:

Homework will be given twice or three times during the course. Their effect on the final grade will be decided later on.