

Crime and Punishment

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29 Feb & 01 Mar 2024

9am to 5.30pm
Venue: NUS

About the Course

The aim of the course is to acquaint participants with the criminal justice policy perspectives on crime and punishment and how best to respond to and reduce the problem of crime in contemporary societies. The basic questions which the course seeks to address are: is crime a “natural”, biological, psychological, sociological and legal phenomenon, or a combination of all? How do contemporary societies in general, and the criminal justice system in particular, deal with the problem of crime and disorder? What are some the best practices in the field of criminology and penology that jurisdictions might be able to emulate and adapt to meeting the needs of local communities?



This course presents a social history of the development of criminological thinking and contemporary criminological models in explaining crime, particularly sketching the influence of social sciences, on the way criminals and crimes are being viewed in our society. It also attempts to illustrate the implications of these on social/criminal policies designed to eradicate crime in society. Briefly, an illustration of how penal policies are congruent with conceptions of crime will be undertaken. But the study of crime, criminality, victimization and social policy is not dispassionate; it is inextricably linked to notions of social order and social control stemming from a particular historical, political and social context.

At the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Appreciate the contemporary developments, initiatives and debates in the criminal justice arena through citations and understandings of both conceptual and empirical work in the area of criminological and criminal justice research, policy, and practice.
- Appreciate the theories of crime and punishment, and how the body of criminological research has had impacted the development of applied criminal justice practices both locally and internationally.
- Develop the skills-sets and knowledge-base of practitioners in the criminal justice system and related social control institutions like Boys/Girls' Home, juvenile institutions, family service centres to craft out policies and programmes that will serve to prevent and deter crime, as well as rehabilitate and reintegrate offenders.
- Appreciate the criminology-criminal justice nexus by adopting and adapting best practices in the arena of criminal justice and general social control to meeting the needs of Singapore society.

Who Should Attend

This course is targeted at all helping professionals in the criminal justice system and anyone who has an interest in issues relating to crime, deviance and criminal justice.

About the Instructor



Narayanan Ganapathy is an Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at the National University of Singapore. He is concurrently Vice Dean at the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. Prof Ganapathy's research and teaching interests are criminology, sociology of crime and deviance, sociology of law and policing, juvenile justice, criminal gangs and domestic violence. Prof Ganapathy has published extensively in various international journals and is a member of the Editorial Boards of The European Journal of Criminology, The Asian Journal of Criminology and The International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice.

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Prof Ganapathy sits on the ministerial committees of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Social and Family Development and Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth. He is also a Member of the National Council Against Drug Abuse. For 15 years, Prof Ganapathy was the immediate past Chairman of the HEB-Ashram Halfway House, a role he undertook in his capacity as a member of the Hindu Endowments Board.

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Course Fees

Fee Description	Amount Payable (incl. GST)
Full course fees	\$1,962.00
Pricing after SSG Funding* (Singapore Citizen below 40 years / Singapore Permanent Resident)	\$588.60
Pricing after SSG Funding* (Singapore Citizen aged 40 years and above)	\$228.60

*SSG Funding Information

Participant must meet a minimum attendance of 75%, complete and submit all assignment(s), achieve a 'Competent' grade in assessment, and submit the feedback form in order to qualify for the funding. Failing which, **full course fees (incl. GST)** will be payable.

CPE Credits

Course participants are eligible for Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits with the Singapore Association of Social Workers (SASW). One CPE credit will be awarded for each contact hour. Approval of CPE credits are to be submitted through the CPE Log Book under each accredited professional's account.

Terms and Conditions

- Classes will be formed only when a minimum class size is being met. Organiser reserves the right to cancel or postpone any programme at short notice, or may change the modality of the class and at its absolute discretion without assigning any reason for such cancellations or postponements. Refund will be made if payment has been received.
- There will be no makeup lesson if participants miss any class.
- No withdrawal is allowed once the participant is being offered into the programme. Participants can either find a replacement to take his/her place or pay a penalty of 30% of the full course fees incl. GST.
- Photographs and/or videos may be taken during our programmes for audit purposes.