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Course Unit Program
Drug Trafficking

Academic Year 2023/2024

1. Organic Unit

Faculty of Law

2. Course

SECURITY POLICIES

3. Cycle

1st

4. Course Unit

Drug Trafficking (L7029)

5. Scientific Area

6. Curricular Year

3rd

7. Type of Curricular Unit / Semester

2nd Semester

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8. Class type and workload (work time)

Theoretical classes:	
Practical classes:	
Theoretical-Practical Classes	30,00
Tutorial Guidance:	20,00

9. ECTS Credits

6,00

10. Scientific Area Coordinator

11. Regent

Prof. Doutora RAQUEL DOS SANTOS DUQUE

12. Assistants

13. Teaching Language

Portuguese

14. General Objectives

To frame the drug trafficking phenomenon (what it consists of, actors, legal framework).
Understand the impacts (social, economic and security) of drug trafficking in societies of origin, transit and destination.
Establish the link between Drug Trafficking and Security.

15. Specific Objectives

Acquire analytical skills on drug trafficking, including security challenges related to prevention and combat.

16. Skills to be acquired

Acquisition of specific knowledge centered on current security issues that are directly related to the topic of drug trafficking, namely in the European and International fields (including legal frameworks and institutional architectures).

17. Teaching Methodology

Presentation of the evolution of the drug trafficking phenomenon, taking into account the security concerns of States and international institutions.
Enhance a comprehensive understanding of the phenomenon, through an analysis that includes the dimensions of substances, trafficking and consumption. These three aspects should allow a global understanding of the current situation and the plurality of challenges facing the various actors involved.

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18. Course Unit Program

1. Concepts and framework
a) Drug trafficking; threat; production; traffic; consumption.
b) Drugs.
c) Historical perspective of trafficking/consumption.

2. Drug trafficking as a threat to national and international security
a) The link to organized crime and terrorism; influence on the economic and social development of countries and regions; political, ethnic and religious disputes.
b) Definition of policies to combat drug trafficking.
c) Drug addiction: Social implications.

3. Drug trafficking in Europe
a) The European Strategy.
b) European cooperation.
c) The main routes and trends.

4. Drug trafficking in Portugal
a) Networks and groups and routes.
b) The role of the State in preventing and combating drug trafficking.
c) The national strategy.
d) Drug addiction: national responses.

19. Assessment Methods

Two tests and presentation of a work in class by pairs (two students per work), as well as participation/discussion of themes in classes.

20. Didactic Resources

Texts for class discussion and viewing of short videos and documentaries.

21. Sustainability Objectives

1. Ensure equal access to quality technical, professional and cultural education.

2. Substantially increase the number of young people and adults with relevant qualifications, including technical and professional skills, for employment, decent work and entrepreneurship.

22. Keywords

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Production
Traffic
Consumption
Drug addiction
State
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23. Main Bibliography

Author(s): United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
Title: World Drug Report 2023
Edition: UN Publications Year: 2023
Local:
Publisher: https://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/data-and-analysis/world-drug-report-2022.html

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Author(s): Pierre-Arnaud Chouvy e Laurent Laniel
Title: De la géopolitique des drogues illicites
Edition: Year: 2004
Local:
Publisher: https://www.cairn.info/revue-herodote-2004-1-page-7.htm

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Author(s): Observatório Europeu da Droga e da Toxicodependência
Title: Relatório Europeu sobre Drogas - Tendências e evoluções
Edition: Year: 2023
Local:
Publisher:

24. Complementary Bibliography

Author(s): Tuesday Reitano, Colin Clarke e Laura Adal
Title: Examining the Nexus between Organised Crime and Terrorism and its implications for EU Programming
Edition: Year: 2017
Local:
Publisher: CT-MORSE Consortium/European Union

Author(s): SHAUMIK ROY
Title: The growing narcotrafficking in Central Asia A
Edition: Year: 2022
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Publisher: Observer Research Foundation

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