

**TURKISH NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY
INSTITUTE OF FORENSIC SCIENCES**

Course Code	APİ-316
Name of the Course	Forensic Psychopathology
Required / Elective	Elective
AKTS	7,5
Semester	Spring
Programme	ADLİ PSİKOLOJİ

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Forensic psychopathology plays an important role in criminal law. This course deals primarily with offenders' criminal liability. Emphasis is put on the psychological characteristics of offenders in relation to criminal behavior and criminal liability in the light of latest research in the field.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Learning to identify different kinds of psychopathology and psychological characteristics of criminals, victims and law enforcement officials,

Being able to evaluate how a particular constellation of symptoms can put somebody at risk of committing a certain type of crime,

Applying the obtained knowledge by critically examining the putative link between psychopathology and criminal behavior

EVALUATION

Course evaluation will be made upon the seminars presented by each student and the general participation attitude in the classroom environment.

COURSE PLAN

WEEK 1	Theories of Crime
WEEK 2	Psychological Characteristics of Offenders
WEEK 3	Mental disorders and Crime
WEEK 4	Juvenile Offenders
WEEK 5	Violent Offenders and Predicting Violent Behavior
WEEK 6	The Psychology of Sexual Harassment, Sexual Offenders and Stalking
WEEK 7	Intimate Partner Violence, Battered Woman Syndrome, Rape Trauma Syndrome, and Posttraumatic Stress Disorder
WEEK 8	Theft and Other Crimes Against Property
WEEK 9	Terrorism and Hostage-Taking Incidents
WEEK 10	Victims of Crime
WEEK 11	Police Psychology

WEEK 12	Criminal Profiling and Psychological Autopsies
WEEK 13	Psychological treatments for prisoners and other offenders
WEEK 14	Restorative Justice as a Psychological Treatment: Healing Victims, Reintegrating Offenders

Suggested Bibliography for the Course:

1. Personality-Guided Forensic Psychology - Robert J Craig
2. Introduction to Forensic and Criminal Psychology - Dennis Howitt
3. *Practical Psychology for Forensic Investigations and Prosecutions* - Mark R. Kebbell and Graham M. Davies
4. *Forensic and Legal Psychology: Psychological Science Applied to Law* - Mark Costanzo and Daniel Krauss