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Economic offences 709 (KRM 709)

Qualification Postgraduate **Faculty** Faculty of Humanities Module credits 15.00 **Programmes BAHons Criminology Prerequisites** No prerequisites. **Contact time** 3 lectures per week Language of tuition Module is presented in English **Department** Social Work and Criminology Period of presentation Quarter 4

Module content

The culture of materialism and financial success that currently prevail in South Africa gives rise to an increasing number of economic related crimes being committed. These offences and more specifically the characteristics, causes, cost and various types of economic crimes will receive attention in this module. Considering that a large number of offenders employ their skills within group context to obtain political power, organised crime is regarded as an important component of this module. The structure, characteristics and forms assumed by organised crime activities are addressed. In addition, some of the economic crimes that are committed exclusively for their economic benefits are also studied.

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