Abstract

The diploma thesis title: Significance of Victimology for the Prevention of Crime

The goal of this thesis is to, firstly, give a comprehensive theoretical introduction to victimology and crime prevention. Based on the acquired information then analyse, what is the significance of victimology for the prevention of crime and apply the findings to a specific, endangered group of people with the goal of developing a course of action to prevent their victimization. The next goal is to critically evaluate the state of crime prevention in the Czech Republic and to present possible solutions to found shortcomings.

The thesis consists of an introduction, conclusion and 4 chapters.

The opening chapter focuses on the theoretical introduction of victimology as a scientific discipline, its main concepts and the historical circumstances of its founding. The author will then introduce the main sources of information for victimology and evaluate the benefits they bring to this discipline.

The second chapter describes crime prevention as a whole. The author will discuss the relationship between criminal law and crime prevention and introduce the main types of crime prevention, including their evaluation.

The third chapter describes victimological prevention in great detail. After the theoretical introduction of this type of crime prevention, the author will present an overview of the different types of this prevention that can be found in the Czech Republic. In a subchapter, the thesis will focus on forming a practical guide for a specific group of endangered people – the elderly. Based on research, the thesis will identify the main crimes that afflict the elderly w and form a practical guide on how to prevent them.

The last chapter will be about evaluating the significance of victimology for crime prevention based on the acquired knowledge. The second half of this chapter will then provide the author's perspective on the current crime prevention efforts present in the Czech Republic, including the author's ideas to better the situation.