

Criminology prognosis

Abstract

The subject of this thesis is criminological prognosing, specifically the methodologies used in the process of prognosis creation. The thesis' aim is twofold: to present the possible ways of reaching a relevant prognosis, and to introduce new findings from research done in other countries with regards to the prediction of crime perpetration and recidivism. The first part of the thesis presents the overall methodology used in the creation of criminological prognoses in the Czech Republic, while the second focuses on specific methods of predicting offenders' behaviour in the same geographic area. The conclusion presents several studies done in other countries which looked into criminal offenders from several angles, with their primary focus being the predictors of a future criminal career.

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