

BALIKESIR UNIVERSITY
FACULTY OF LAW
UNIVERSITY ELECTIVE COURSE INFORMATION FORM

Department / Main Branch of Science	Faculty of Law / Department of Criminal and Criminal Procedure Law					
Course Name	Societal Awareness of Cybercrime					
Course Semester	Fall	☐	Spring	☐		
Course Language	Turkish	☐	English	☐		
Course Credit	Theoretical	2	Application	0	Total Credits	2
Course ECTS	3					
Course Education Type	Formal Education			Face to face		
Course Objective	The primary objective of this course is to enable individuals and society to recognize the types of crimes they may encounter in cyberspace and to help them develop an informed attitude against these offenses. The course aims for students to comprehend the technical, legal, social, and ethical dimensions of cybercrime. Within the scope of the course, criminal acts committed in cyberspace—such as identity theft, phishing, malware, and cyber fraud—are addressed, examining the methods of commission of cybercrimes and their impacts on victims.					
Course Content	Concepts of cybercrime, cyberspace, information systems, and data; the scope, definition, and history of cybercrime; combating cybercrime; international legal regulations regarding cybercrime; and the types of offenses under the Turkish Penal Code.					
Course Prerequisites	The course has no prerequisites					
Course Instructors				mail :		
Course Assistants				mail :		
Course Internship Status	There is no internship in the course					
Course Resources	Bilişim Alanında Suçlar, Berrin Akbulut, Adalet Yayınevi, 2025. Türk Ceza Hukuku Sisteminde Siber Suçlar, Sacit Yılmaz, Adalet Yayınevi, 2023.					
Course Structure	The course will be conducted theoretically, and a discussion environment will be fostered through practical exercises and judicial decisions.					
Planned Learning Activities and Methods	Presentation of the subject, question - answer					
Course Assessment Criteria			ECTS Calculation			
Semester Activities	Number	Contribution (%)	Activity	Number	Duration	Total Workload (Hours)
Midterm Exam	1	40	Course Duration	14	2	28
Quiz	0	0	Out-of-Class Study Time	0	0	0
Assignment	0	0	Midterm Exams	1	45	45
Attendance	0	0	End of Semester Exam	1	45	45
Application	0	0	Total Workload: 118 / 30 : 3,93			
Project	0	0	ECTS Credit: 3			

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End of Semester Exam	1	60	
Course Learning Outcomes	Students can explain the concept, scope, and history of cybercrime. They can systematically classify types of cybercrime and analyze them with examples. They can evaluate international regulations concerning cybercrime. They acquire knowledge about offenses related to personal data. They can explain the elements of IT offenses regulated under the Turkish Penal Code. They gain knowledge regarding the offenses of entering an information system, hindering or disrupting a system, and destroying or altering data. They know the elements of theft and fraud committed through the use of information systems. They can evaluate cybercrimes against children and the concept of “online grooming” from a legal perspective. They critically compare national and international regulations regarding cybercrime. They develop legal and preventive policy recommendations for combating cybercrime.		
Course Topics			
Week	Topic	Preliminary Preparation	Documents
1	Introduction: Concepts of cybercrime, cyberspace, information systems, and data; the scope, definition, and history of cybercrime.	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
2	Types of Cybercrime and Combating Cybercrime	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
3	International Legal Regulations Regarding Cybercrime	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
4	The Offense of Recording Personal Data (Turkish Penal Code, Art. 135)	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
5	The Offense of Unlawfully Disclosing or Obtaining Data (Turkish Penal Code, Art. 136)	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
6	The Offense of Failure to Destroy Data (Turkish Penal Code, Art. 138)	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
7	The Offense of Theft Committed through the Use of Information Systems (Turkish Penal Code, Art. 142)	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
8	The Offense of Fraud Committed through the Use of Information Systems (Turkish Penal Code, Art. 158)	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
9	The Offense of Entering an Information System (Turkish Penal Code, Art. 243)	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
10	The Offense of Hindering or Disrupting a System, and Destroying or Altering Data (Turkish Penal Code, Art. 244)	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
11	The Offense of Misuse of Bank or Credit Cards (Turkish Penal Code, Art. 245)	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
12	The Offense of Prohibited Devices or Programs (Turkish Penal Code, Art. 245/A)	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
13	Cybercrimes Against Children: Online Grooming	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code

14	The Offense of Obscenity (Turkish Penal Code, Art. 226)	To research the related subject	Relevant Chapter Readings, Turkish Penal Code
Contribution of the Course to Program Outcomes	To gain awareness regarding cybercrimes by comprehending the types of offenses under the Turkish Penal Code.		