

OCCASIONAL DELINQUENCY AND CRIMINAL CAREER. FEATURES AND RISK FACTORS

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This article presents the route/steps of an exploratory research whose subject was the occasional delinquency and the criminal career. Starting from the ecological paradigm for the study of delinquent behavior we have conceived a model of risk factors divided in four types of risk factors: individuals, concerning the relations of the person with others, community and societal factors. Using the pattern created by us as a work instrument, we have tried through documentary analyses of files from the Probation Service of Bucharest and also through the medium of some "face to face" interviews with probation counselors from the Probation Service Bucharest, to find the characteristics and the risk factors for the occasional delinquents and for the persons that have a criminal career.

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