

Subject card

Subject name and code	Municipal economy/municipal companies - lecture, PG_00132178						
Field of study	Law in administration and economy						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2024	Academic year of realisation of subject	2026/2027				
Education level	Master's studies	Subject group	Obligatory subject group in the field of study				
Mode of study	part-time studies	Mode of delivery	at the university				
Year of study	3	Language of instruction	Polish				
Semester of study	5	ECTS credits	2.0				
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form	exam				
Conducting unit	Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr Robert Obrzud					
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	10.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan	Participation in consultation hours	Self-study	SUM		
	Number of study hours	10	0.0	40.0	50		
Subject objectives	<p>To introduce students to the concept and scope of the municipal economy, emphasizing the role of local governments in delivering public services at the local level.</p> <p>To provide an understanding of the legal, organizational, and economic foundations of municipal economy, including relevant legislation, organizational structures, and funding mechanisms.</p> <p>To explore the legal and organizational forms of conducting municipal activities, with a particular focus on municipal companies as tools for fulfilling the own tasks of local government units.</p> <p>To analyze the operational model of municipal companies, including their governance structures, mechanisms of owner supervision, relations with local authorities, and service delivery methods.</p> <p>To assess the efficiency, transparency, and accountability of municipal companies, identifying best practices as well as risks related to politicization or lack of oversight.</p> <p>To develop analytical skills for identifying and solving problems in the municipal economy, through case studies, discussions, and interpretation of strategic and financial documents.</p> <p>To raise awareness of the importance of municipal services for local development and residents quality of life, integrating social, environmental, and economic aspects.</p> <p>To prepare students for active and informed participation in the management of local public resources, both from the perspective of public administration and that of a citizen or service user.</p>						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	PAGMU2_KR04	The student is prepared to perform professional roles responsibly, to develop their professional achievements, to engage in lifelong learning, and to pursue further stages of career advancement.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	PAGMU2_WK06	The student knows the fundamental legal and ethical issues arising in administrative and economic activities, including the management of public and private sector organizations. The student understands the importance of professional ethics in the work of legal professionals, civil servants, and public sector managers. The student possesses in-depth knowledge of legal and ethical responsibility applicable to individuals in positions of public trust and managerial roles. The student understands the influence of legal regulations on managerial decisions and the necessity of incorporating legal and ethical considerations into everyday professional practice.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	PAGMU2_KR05	The student is convinced of the importance of acting ethically and professionally, acts in accordance with professional ethical standards, recognizes and articulates moral problems and ethical dilemmas related to their own and others' work, seeks optimal solutions in situations that require ethical decision-making.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	PAGMU2_KO03	The student is prepared to act and think in an entrepreneurial manner.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	PAGMU2_WG01	The student has an in-depth knowledge and understanding of facts and phenomena arising from the nature of legal sciences, including those related to the functioning of public administration. The student is familiar with legal and economic issues relevant to the public and private sectors. The student understands the place of legal and economic sciences within the broader system of academic disciplines and the interrelations between them.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	PAGMU2_WG03	The student possesses structured and theoretically grounded knowledge of key issues regulated by particular branches of law relevant to the field of study.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	PAGMU2_WG02	The student has an in-depth knowledge and understanding of terminology, methods, and theories explaining the relationships between law in administration and economy and related sciences. The student possesses advanced knowledge of methods and tools for modeling organizational processes, including decision-making processes.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written

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	PAGMU2_UK05	The student is able to conduct debates on general and specialized topics related to law, especially concerning the functioning of administration and the economy, respecting the diversity of opinions of discourse participants.	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written

Introduction to Municipal Economy

- Definition and scope of municipal economy
- The role of local government in municipal economy
- History and evolution of municipal economy in Poland and worldwide

Legal Foundations of Municipal Economy

- Key legal acts regulating municipal economy (Local Government Act, Municipal Economy Act, Companies Act, etc.)
- Principles of financing municipal economy

Organizational and Legal Forms of Municipal Activities

- Organizational units of municipalities and counties
- Municipal companies: definition, types, objectives
- Comparison of municipal companies with other forms of activity (e.g., budgetary units, public establishments)

Operation of Municipal Companies

- Organizational structure and management of municipal companies
- Ownership supervision and control over companies
- Relations between municipal companies and local government bodies

Economic Aspects of Municipal Economy

- Sources of financing and cost models of municipal companies
- Efficiency and profitability of municipal activities
- Economic and managerial challenges

Ethical and Social Issues in Municipal Economy

- Transparency and public accountability
- Conflicts of interest and ethics in managing municipal companies
- Importance of social dialogue and citizen participation

Case Studies and Practical Analysis

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examples of functioning municipal companies • Analysis of successes and challenges in municipal activities • Discussion and conclusions on the future of municipal economy 						
Prerequisites and co-requisites							
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	<p>Definition and Scope of Municipal Economy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is municipal economy? • What are the main areas of activity within the municipal economy? <p>Legal Basis for the Functioning of the Municipal Economy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Which legal acts regulate the municipal economy? • What are the key regulations concerning municipal companies? <p>Organizational and Legal Forms of Performing Municipal Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the legal forms of conducting municipal activities? • How do municipal companies differ from other organizational units? 						
Work placement	Not applicable						

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