

Subject card

Subject name and code	From Jesus Christ to O.J. Simpson - famous trials in the history - lecture, PG_00134594						
Field of study	Od Jezusa Chrystusa do O.J. Simpsona – słynne procesy w dziejach ludzkości - wykład						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2024	Academic year of realisation of subject			2024/2025		
Education level	Bachelor's studies	Subject group			Optional subject group		
Mode of study	full-time studies	Mode of delivery			at the university		
Year of study	1	Language of instruction			Polish Polish		
Semester of study	2	ECTS credits			2.0		
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form			credit		
Conducting unit	Department of History of Law -> Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Piotr Kitowski				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20
	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	20		0.0		30.0	50
Subject objectives	The aim of the lecture is to familiarize students with selected court cases that have taken place throughout history, from antiquity to modern times. Individual court cases have been selected so that they can be an example of a significant legal problem that appeared in a specific historical, social, political, cultural or religious context. A thorough analysis of the cases covered in the lecture will allow for a deeper knowledge of the functioning of legal norms in specific socio-political or cultural conditions.						
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome		Method of verification		
	[KRYML3_UW01] The graduate can observe and interpret social phenomena, analyzes their relations with various areas of criminology.		The student has knowledge of selected, most important criminal trials in history.		[SU4] test/egzamin - ustny lub pisemny		
	[KRYML3_KK01] The graduate is aware of the level of his/her knowledge and skills and understands the need for lifelong learning.		The student has knowledge of selected, most important criminal trials in history.		[SK4] test/egzamin - ustny lub pisemny		
	[KRYML3_WG02] The graduates knows the basic terminology and basic concepts in the field of law, criminology and related sciences.		The student has knowledge of selected, most important criminal trials in history.		[SW4] test/egzamin - ustny lub pisemny		

Subject contents

The lecture will cover fifteen historically and legally significant trials that have taken place throughout history. These include:

The Trial of Socrates

The Trial of Jesus Christ

The Trial of Giordano Bruno

The Salem Witches Trial

The Trial of Aaron Burr

The Trial of Lizzie Borden

The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire Trial

The Trial of Leopold and Loeb

The Trial of Rita Gorgonowa

The Trial of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg,

The Trial of the Zagłębie Vampire

The Trial of Charles Manson

	Roe v. Wade		
	The Trial of Ted Bundy		
	The Trial of O.J. Simpson		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	written exercise	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. P. Święcicka, Proces Jezusa w swietle prawa rzymskiego : studium prawno-historyczne, Warszawa 2012 2. E. A. Cawthon, Famous trials in history, New York 2012. 3. F J McLynn, Famous trials : cases that made history, Chancellor Press 2000. 4. D. O. Linder, The Great Trials of World History and the Lessons They Teach Us, eAudiobook 2018. 5. E. W. Knappman, Great American Trials, Detroit 2002. 6. G. C. Altschuler; F. F. Rossi, Ten great American trials : lessons in advocacy, Chicago 2016. 7. L. Chiassonl, Illusive shadows : justice, media, and socially significant American trials, Westport 2003. 8. F. X. Busch, Famous American trials, New York 1992. 	
	Supplementary literature	None	
	eResources addresses		
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	None		
Work placement	Not applicable		

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