University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Legal Foundations of Security, PG_00147387		
Field of study	National Security		
Date of commencement of studies	October 2024	Academic year of realisation of subject	2024/2025
Education level	undergraduate studies	Subject group	Obligatory subject group in the field of study Humanistic-social 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	practical	Assessment form	
Conducting unit			
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr Wioletta Niemiec	
	Teachers		

Lesson types							
	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	15.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15
	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	15	0.0	35.0	50

Subject objectives	The aim of the lecture is to introduce students to the legal foundations of state security. The law is the basis for the functioning of the Republic of Poland [Article 2 of the Constitution] and the security organs of a democratic legal state. Hence, the focus of the lecture will be on explaining the concept of state security, the role and importance of state security strategy in the modern world in the international context, the most important conditions and threats to state security. Special emphasis will be placed on the legal acts regulating the issue of security including state bodies and institutions established to protect the constitutional order.

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[BNL3_W05] Knows the conditions and forms of citizens' participation in social life at its various levels. Defines phenomena that significantly determine safety activities. Has knowledge of the origin and evolution of norms organizing social structures and institutions relevant to security, including legal and ethical issues in the field of intellectual property and copyright protection.	understands the need to protect the security of the state, perceives economic and social issues in the context of the tasks of the state pursuing the interests of citizens, - using the acquired knowledge, the student presents an attitude in which the state is an important social value and its tasks require civic support. A safe state means safe citizens.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNL3_K01] Professionally and ethically behaves in professional work and public activities.	understands the need to protect the security of the state, sees economic and social issues in the context of the tasks of the state pursuing the interests of citizens,	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNL3_U09] Is aware of social expectations regarding the adequacy of state actions in the context of identified threats to its functioning.	has a basic knowledge of the understanding of state security, the need to secure it and the legal basis for the activities of state bodies and institutions to carry out tasks in this regard.	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNL3_K05] Has the ability to prioritise goals and methods of action, thinking and acting in an entrepreneurial manner.	is able to identify and justify the legal legitimacy of the activities of bodies and institutions set up to protect state security, using appropriate legal terminology.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNL3_W08] Identifies and understands risk management and decision-making mechanisms in national security institutions.	is able to identify and justify the legal legitimacy of the activities of bodies and institutions set up to protect state security, using appropriate legal terminology.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNL3_U04] Uses the knowledge of normative systems related to public safety to adequately respond to the existing challenges. Presents and evaluates opinions on systematic solutions in the field of security.	he student will be able to define the essence and meaning of state security, identify the most important threats to its security and the legal acts that are the basis for the activities of authorities and institutions to ensure state securit	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNL3_U01] Has research skills in determining the basic political, social, economic, legal and cultural structures in the modern world. Identifies and interprets change processes in the area of security effects.	has a basic knowledge of the understanding of state security, the need to secure it and the legal basis for the activities of state bodies and institutions to carry out tasks in this regard.	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNL3_W02] Has in-depth knowledge about the state, power, politics and public administration. Knows the historical, social, economic, legal, ethical and cultural determinants of security activities.	ma podstawową wiedzę w zakresie rozumienia bezpieczeństwa państwa, potrzeby jego zabezpieczenia i podstaw prawnych działalności organów państwa i instytucji w celu realizacji zadań w tym zakresie.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNL3_W01] Has advanced knowledge of the social, historical, economic and cultural determinants of security. Knows the practical application of this knowledge in professional activities in the field of security.	has a basic knowledge of state security, its legal regulations, the functioning of bodies and institutions,	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written

Subject contents	A. Problems of the lecture 1) The concept of state security, the essence, conditions, threats, external and internal security, 2) State security strategies - the security strategy of the Republic of Poland - 13 November 2007. The role and significance of NATO in ensuring the security of the Republic of Poland 3) Foundations and constitutional aspects of state security protection [powers of the President of the Republic of Poland, the Council of Ministers and the chief organs of government administration]. 2) Constitutional regulation of states of emergency: state of war, martial law, state of emergency and state of natural disaster; decision-making procedures , the scope of limitations to human and civil liberties and rights 3) Civilian special services: ABW, CBA, AW 4) Military Services: SKW, SWW and Border Guard: SG, - legal basis, scope of activities and organisational structure 6) Legal bases of the EU institutions and bodies under the common security policy
Prerequisites and co-requisites	

Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	written test	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	P.Tuleja. CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC< Commentary	
	Supplementary literature	Constitution of the Republic of Poland of 2 April 1997 (Dz.U. 1997.78.483 of 1997.07.16 as amended).Act of 6 April 1990 on the Police (Dz.U.2024.145 t.j.).	
	eResources addresses	Adresy na platformie eNauczanie:	
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed			
Work placement	Not applicable		

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