

Subject card

Subject name and code	Introduction to Political Science, PG_00147331						
Field of study	Political Studies						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2025/2026		
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study		
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	1		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	1		ECTS credits		2.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Division of Political Theory -> Institute of Political Science -> Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Jarosław Nocoń				
	Teachers		dr hab. Jarosław Nocoń				
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	30.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30
	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	30		0.0		30.0	60
Subject objectives	The aim of the classes is to familiarize students with the manifestations of politics and conditions of the political sphere of social life; acquiring basic concepts and scientific categories necessary for an objective view and analysis of political reality, its meaning and the role of political power and the state in the life of a citizen. In addition, the specific goal is to discuss the basic issues necessary to understand the mechanisms of policy functioning, as well as theoretical preparation of students to master topics in other subjects in subsequent semesters of study.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[POLL3_W14] Has extended knowledge of the political organization of societies, transformation processes and relations and bonds at the local, regional and global levels in the scope of the selected module (specialization).	The student defines and identifies phenomenon of political power, the state and public administration.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
	[POLL3_U10] Can analyse and evaluate the process of governing and decision-making and see their consequences.	The student knows criteria social identification of political decisions, forms legitimization of power and their importance for political representation processes.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[POLL3_K06] Is ready to recognize and respect different points of view determined by different political, cultural and social backgrounds.	Knows what is political pluralism	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[POLL3_U02] Can analyse and explain political processes and phenomena using theoretical knowledge.	The student knows and can use the basic concepts and terms, which are necessary for an objective view and explanation the political sphere of social life	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[POLL3_U01] Can correctly interpret and explain the behaviour of individuals and social groups in social life, especially political life.	Knows psychosocial determinants of political behaviour	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[POLL3_W01] Possesses ordered and systematized knowledge of political sciences and their subdisciplines, as well as their mutual relations. Knows basic terminology in the field of political science and related fields.	Knows structure of political science and administration	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[POLL3_K05] Recognises the need to maintain an appropriate ethical attitude in professional work and public activities.	Knows relations between ethics and politics	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[POLL3_K07] Has a need to supplement, expand and improve acquired knowledge and skills.	Knows what are political needs	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[POLL3_U06] Can explain and describe the principles and values of a democratic state and actively participate in public discourse.	Knows definition of democracy	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[POLL3_W12] Has an advanced knowledge and understanding of the mechanisms of governance and political decision-making, including knowledge of the basic principles and relationships between management, organizing and other interactions between entrepreneurship and politics, has advanced knowledge of the threats and challenges facing politics, including the principles of creating and developing forms of individual entrepreneurship.	Knows definition of political decision	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[POLL3_W08] Has advanced knowledge about democracy, civil society, political culture and the essence of public discourse in historical and contemporary terms.	Knows definition of democracy	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[POLL3_W11] Has advanced knowledge of the origin and evolution of political norms organizing social structures and institutions relevant to politics, including legal and ethical issues in the field of intellectual property and copyright protection.	The student knows psychosocial determinants of political behaviour	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion

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	[POLL3_W07] Has advanced knowledge of the state, politics and law, as well as the principles of functioning of political systems in the Polish, European and global dimensions.	Knows definition of politics	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[POLL3_W04] Has advanced knowledge of the role and importance of political and social participation of an individual in the functioning of political entities.	Knows what is political participation	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
Subject contents	1. Social reception of knowledge about politics2. Scope and subject structure of political science3. Functions of political science4. Key stages of the evolution of knowledge about politics5. Ideology and criteria of political identity6.Radicalism, extremism and political fundamentalism7. Basic definitions of policy8.Policy field and key dimensions of its analysis9. Psychosocial determinants of political behavior10. power as the central institution of the political sphere of social life11.Legitimacy, alienation and functions of political power12. features and sociotechnical resources of political power13.political subjectivity and its determinants14. Morality and politics - mutual relations15. Politics and economics.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	oral egzam	50.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	Wprowadzenie do nauki o państwie i polityce, red. M. Żmigrodzki, B. Szmulik, Lublin 2003.Społeczeństwo i polityka. Podstawy nauk politycznych, red. K. A. Wojtaszczyk, W. Jakubowski, Warszawa 2003.A. Heywood, Politologia, Warszawa 2006.J. Nocoń, A. Laska, Teoria polityki. Wprowadzenie, Warszawa 2005.A.W. Jabłoński, L. Sobkowiak red., Studia z teorii polityki, tom I, tom II, Wrocław 1996 i 1997.R. J. Dalton, H. D. Klingemann red. Zachowania polityczne, T 1, T. 2, Warszawa 2010, wybrane zagadnienia.K. Skarżyńska (red.), Podstawy psychologii politycznej, Poznań 2002, wybrane zagadnienia.A.2. studiowana samodzielnie przez studenta:A. Heywood, Klucz do politologii. Najważniejsze ideologie systemy postaci, Poznań 2008.S. Lipset, Homo politicus, Społeczne podstawy polityki, Warszawa 1999.	
	Supplementary literature	Heywood A., Politologia, Warszawa 2006.Heywood A., Ideologie polityczne; Wprowadzenie, Warszawa 2003.Meller A., Radomski G., Wojdyło W., Antologia współczesnej polskiej myśli politycznej, Toruń 2013.Paleczny T., Nowe ruchy społeczne, Kraków 2010.Tomczak Ł., Partie polityczne. Struktury, programy, kampanie, Warszawa 2014K. Skarżyńska (red.), Podstawy psychologii politycznej, Poznań 2002, wybrane zagadnienia.A.W. Jabłoński, L. Sobkowiak red., Marketing polityczny w teorii i praktyce, Wrocław 2002.	
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	List and discuss the functions of political science Features of the ideal state according to Plato and Aristotle Factors determining socio-divisions and political structure in society Definitions of political power in state power Discuss the relationship between economics and politics Features of political manipulation Normative and utilitarian resources of political power Types of relations between politics and morality Features of political power
Work placement	Not applicable

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