

Subject card

Subject name and code	EU environmental law and policy , PG_00072775						
Field of study	Environmental Law and Sustainable Development						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		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	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	2		Language of instruction		English		
Semester of study	3		ECTS credits		3.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Department of Public Economic Law and Environmental Protection Law -> Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Maciej Nyka				
	Teachers						
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		2.0		30.0	62
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to present students with specific issues concerning European environmental law						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[ELSDMU2_K01] Graduates will be capable to facilitate cooperation with other people of different cultures and legal systems, what is necessary for global efforts in the field of environmental protection	Graduates will be able to work effectively with individuals from different cultures and legal systems, which is essential for the effectiveness of global environmental legal efforts	[SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[ELSDMU2_W08] knows methods and tools, including data and information acquisition techniques and research methods, appropriate for legal sciences and other related disciplines, including disciplines from other scientific fields	knows methods and tools, including techniques of obtaining data and information as well as research methods, relevant to the science of European environmental law, including disciplines from other scientific fields	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[ELSDMU2_W06] Student knows the terminology and concepts of law and related fields at an advanced level	knows the terminology and concepts of European environmental law and related areas at an advanced level	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[ELSDMU2_W01] The graduate knows and understands in an in-depth way selected facts, theories, methods in the field of legal environmental protection and the complex relationships between them. The graduate knows and understands the diverse, complex conditions and axiological context of the business.	The graduate knows and understands in an in-depth way selected facts, theories, methods in the field of legal environmental protection and the complex relationships between them. The graduate knows and understands the diverse, complex conditions and axiological context of the conducted activity	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/ report
	[ELSDMU2_W03] The graduate knows and understands the fundamental dilemmas of modern civilization. The graduate knows and understands the economic, legal and other conditions of various types of activities related to the awarded qualification, including the principles of industrial property protection and copyright.	The graduate knows and understands the fundamental dilemmas of modern civilization. The graduate knows and understands the economic, legal and other conditions of various types of activities related to European environmental law	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/ report
	[ELSDMU2_W05] Student has an in-depth and structured knowledge of the nature of legal sciences, their place in the system of sciences and relations to other sciences	has an in-depth and structured knowledge of the nature of European environmental law, its place in the system of sciences and relations to other sciences	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[ELSDMU2_K03] The graduate is ready to fulfill social obligations, inspire and organize activities for the benefit of the social environment, initiate actions for the public interest in the area of environmental protection, think and act in an entrepreneurial way taking into account the principle of sustainable development.	The graduate is ready to fulfill social obligations, inspire and organize activities for the benefit of the social environment, using the European Union law, initiating actions for the public interest in the area of environmental protection, thinking and acting in an entrepreneurial way taking into account the principle of sustainable development.	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/ report [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[ELSDMU2_K02] The graduate is ready to responsibly perform professional roles, taking into account the changing social needs, including: - developing the achievements of the profession, - maintaining the ethos of the profession, - observing and developing the principles of professional ethics and acting for the observance of these principles	The graduate is ready to responsibly perform professional roles related to the use of European environmental law, taking into account changing social needs	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work

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Subject contents	1. Principles of European environmental law 2. Environmental law-making in the EU 3. Implementation and enforcement 4. Public participatory rights 5. Additional tools in implementing European environmental law 6. BAT 7. EMAS 8. EU labelling 9. Environmental and Strategic Impact Assessment 10. Environmental liability for environmental crime 11. Nature protection law 12. Water protection law 13. Noise pollution law 14. Air pollution legislation 15. Chemical legislation and policy								
Prerequisites and co-requisites									
Assessment methods and criteria	<table><tr><th>Subject passing criteria</th><th>Passing threshold</th><th>Percentage of the final grade</th></tr><tr><td>Exam</td><td>51.0%</td><td>100.0%</td></tr></table>	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade	Exam	51.0%	100.0%		
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Recommended reading	Basic literature	Geert Van Calster, Leonie Reins EU Environmental Law Edward Elgar 2017 J. Ciechanowicz-McLean, M. Nyka Environmental law. Basic concepts Warszawa 2017 J. van Zeben, A. Rowell A Guide to Environmental law. University of California Press 2021							
	Supplementary literature	D. Langlet, S. Mahmoudi Environmental law and policy. Oxford 2016 M. Peeters, M. Eliantonio Research Handbook on Eu Environmental Law. Edward Elgar 2020							
	eResources addresses								
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Describe the functioning of the principle of precaution in EU Law Describe the conditions of performing economic activity on Nature 2000 sites Name basic instruments of EU protection of the air quality								
Work placement	Not applicable								

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