

Subject card

Subject name and code	Environmental philosophy , PG_00072777						
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		2.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit							
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Tomasz Widlak				
	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 provide students with basic information on the philosophical aspects of environmental protection						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[ELSDMU2_W02] The graduate knows and understands to an in-depth degree - selected facts, objects and phenomena as well as methods and theories related to them explaining the complex relationships between them, constituting advanced general knowledge in the field of scientific or artistic disciplines forming the theoretical foundations, structured and theoretically based knowledge covering key issues and selected issues in the field of advanced detailed knowledge - appropriate for the curriculum of the field of Environmental Law and Sustainable Development. The graduate knows and understands the main trends in the development of scientific or artistic disciplines relevant to the curriculum.	The graduate knows and understands to an in-depth degree - selected facts, objects and phenomena as well as methods and theories related to them explaining the complex relationships between them, constituting advanced general knowledge in the field of scientific or artistic disciplines forming the theoretical foundations, structured and theoretically based knowledge covering key issues and selected issues in the field of advanced detailed knowledge - appropriate for the curriculum of the field of Environmental Law and Sustainable Development. The graduate knows and understands the main development trends in scientific or artistic disciplines relevant to the curriculum	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW3] text preparation/written work
	[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, 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	[SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[ELSDMU2_U03] The graduate is able to perform tasks and formulate and solve problems, using new knowledge in the field of environmental law, as well as in other fields related to environmental law. The graduate is able to independently plan his/her own lifelong learning and guide others in this area. The graduate is able to communicate with diverse circles of recipients and properly justify their positions.	The graduate is able to perform tasks and formulate and solve philosophical problems, using new knowledge in the field of philosophy of environmental protection, as well as in other fields related to environmental law. The graduate is able to independently plan his/her own lifelong learning and guide others in this area. The graduate is able to communicate with diverse audiences and adequately justify their positions	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[ELSDMU2_U01] The graduate is able to independently plan and implement his/her own lifelong learning and guide others in this area.	The graduate is able to independently plan and implement his/her own lifelong learning in the field of environmental philosophy and guide others in this area	[SU5] implementation of a problem task [SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[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 philosophy of environmental protection and the complex relationships between them. The graduate knows and understands the diverse, complex conditions and axiological context of the business in the environment.	[SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[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, 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	[SK5] implementation of a problem task [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[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 efforts	[SK8] observation of student's independent or team work

	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[ELSDMU2_U06] Student is able to efficiently acquire knowledge and develop his/her professional skills, using various sources (in native and foreign languages) and modern technologies	is able to efficiently acquire knowledge and develop his/her professional skills, using various sources (in native and foreign languages) and modern technologies in the area of environmental protection philosophy	[SU3] text preparation/written work [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
Subject contents	Indigeneus perspective Classical China Classical India Classical Greec Tradition Judaism Christianity Isalm XIXth and XX Century Philosophy Meta-Ethics Normative Ethics Environmental Virtue Ethics Land Ethics Deep Ecology Ecofeminism Aesthetics Economics Ecology Sustainability Biodiversity Animals		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	test exam, 30 question, 30 minutes	51.0%	100.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	D. Jamieson (red.) A Companion to Environmental Philosophy, Blackwell 2001 J. Des Jardins Environmental Ethics : An Introduction to Environmental Philosophy Cambridge 2000 V. Plumwood Environmental Culture: The Ecological Crisis of Reason (Environmental Philosophies) Routledge 2001
	Supplementary literature	S. James Environmental Philosophy Polity 2015 A. Light, H. Rolston III Environmental Ethics: An Anthology Blackwell 2002
	eResources addresses	
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Concept of legal personality of animals of Earth Rights of the future generations Environmental protection in ancient China	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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