University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Crime in the People's Republic of Poland - lecture, PG_00132832		
Field of study	Criminology		
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025	Academic year of realisation of subject	2026/2027
Education level	Master's studies	Subject group	Optional subject group
Mode of study	full-time studies	Mode of delivery	at the university
Year of study	2	Language of instruction	Polish
Semester of study	3	ECTS credits	1.0
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form	credit
Conducting unit	Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector		
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr hab. Daniel Wicenty	
	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	5.0	25

Subject objectives

Expanding knowledge on criminality in post-war Poland; understanding circumstances and dynamics of crime on the background of political, social and moral changes; knowing scale and forms of crime; sensitization to political aspects of crime; analysing selected case studies; knowing criminological theories on crime in post-war Poland (J. Bafia, A. Podgórecki, Cz. Czapów); understanding the role of Civic Militia (MO) and Security Service (SB) in fighting crime; criminal and prison subculture

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
[KRYMMU2_WG01] Has an in-depth knowledge of the nature of legal and related penal sciences, their place in the system of sciences and their interrelationships	knowledge on legal context; changing perspectives; knowledge on historical context	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
[KRYMMU2_KK01] Is aware of the level of his knowledge and skills, and understands the need for lifelong learning	attitude of readiness and a hunger for knowledge	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SK4] test/exam - oral or written [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
[KRYMMU2_WG05] Has an in-depth knowledge of methods and tools, including data and information extraction techniques, specific to criminology and forensic science	skills on gathering and assesing secondary data; basic research toolkit	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion

Subject contents

Law and social context and criminality; forms and official statistics on crime; Civic Militia (MO) and Security Service (SB) in action; case study on informal currency dealers; "grypsera" - prison subculture; dynamics of criminality at late 80s

Prerequisites and co-requisites

Assessment methods and criteria

Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
final test evaluation	50.0%	100.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	*Brudne wspólnoty. Przestępczość zorganizowana w PRL w latach siedemdziesiątych i osiemdziesiątych XX wieku*, red. Karol Nawrocki, Daniel Wicenty, Gdańsk-Warszawa 2018 Jarosz Dariusz, Pasztor Maria, *Afera mięsna - fakty i konteksty*, Warszawa 2004 Kamiński Marek, *Gry więzienne - tragikomiczny świat polskiego więzienia*, Warszawa 2006 *Komisja Specjalna do Walki z Nadużyciami i Szkodnictwem Gospodarczym 1945-1954*, wybór dokumentów, wstęp i opracowanie Dariusz Jarosz i Tadeusz Wolsza, Warszawa 1995
	Supplementary literature	Grzyb Józef, Igor Zalewski, *Całe życie kradłem*, Warszawa 2013
	eResources addresses	
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Discuss main factors of change of post-war criminality in Poland.	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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