

Subject card

Subject name and code	Special services in the state security system, PG_00147687						
Field of study	National Security						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2025/2026		
Education level	Master's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study Optional subject group		
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		4.0		
Learning profile	practical		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		prof. dr hab. Jacek Tebinka				
	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		0.0		70.0	100
Subject objectives	The aim is to introduce students to the basic problems related to the functioning of civilian and military special services and the role they play in the modern state, including Poland.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[BNMU2_W12] Has advanced knowledge of Poland's place and role in international security systems.	-	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[BNMU2_W09] Has advanced and structured knowledge of the essence, dynamics, and specificity of security threats in various spheres of social life.	-	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[BNMU2_K02] Is prepared to be active in the labour market in the area of security, is aware of the need to independently and critically improve qualifications, collect and analyse information.	-	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/report [SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNMU2_U08] Uses specialised language in communicating with the environment in the scientific community and beyond, and by undertaking discussions at an advanced level in the area of security presents and evaluates opinions on system solutions in the field of security. Notices social expectations regarding the compliance of the state's actions in relation to the identified threats related to its functioning, and is able to prioritise them.	-	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNMU2_K05] Is prepared to professionally perform professional tasks in the field of security, observe and develop the principles of professional ethics, and conduct activities aimed at integrating the security environment, taking into account changing social needs.	-	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/report [SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNMU2_W10] Has advanced knowledge of the activities of public institutions and structures operating for security.	-	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[BNMU2_U09] Speaks foreign language at level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages and uses specialised terminology in the field of security.	-	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNMU2_U06] Is able to organise and analyse the causes and effects of security threats and indicates important countermeasures, skillfully arguing and using the acquired knowledge to convey knowledge in oral and/or written statements in the field of security.	-	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNMU2_U01] Identifies and interprets in-depth the processes of change in the area of security effects.	-	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNMU2_U14] Has in-depth skills in searching and selecting sources and has extensive knowledge of technological possibilities for searching information, which uses for further development.	-	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[BNMU2_U10] Is prepared to manage teams of people in an orderly manner, is able to prepare and implement projects, including those involving cooperation with other people and are interdisciplinary in nature, solves tasks in the field of planning security activities, taking into account legal and ethical aspects.	-	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written

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	[BNMU2_W03] Has advanced knowledge of the interdisciplinary nature of social, cultural, historical, ethical, legal and economic determinants of security and knows the use of multidimensional approaches to knowledge in the field of security.	-	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[BNMU2_U07] At an advanced level identifies and explains the conditions of state security and predicts the impact of social processes on security in particular in relation to the dependencies in which Poland participates.	-	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
Subject contents	Characteristics of the functioning of special services. Legal basis for the functioning of special services. Civilian special services in the security system of the Third Polish Republic. Special services in the face of contemporary asymmetric threats. The role of intelligence in a modern democratic state. Specificity of the functioning of special services. Counterintelligence protection of the state. Intelligence cooperation within the framework of European security. Operational and reconnaissance activities of special services in the context of decision-making processes at the highest levels of government. Methods and forms of operation of special services and methods of obtaining information. Civilian control over special services		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Power point presentation	60.0%	60.0%
	Exam	51.0%	40.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	USTAWA z dnia 24 maja 2002 r. o Agencji Bezpieczeństwa Wewnętrznego oraz Agencji Wywiadu. (Dz. U. z dnia 14 czerwca 2002 r. tekst ujednolicony). USTAWA o Służbie Kontrwywiadu Wojskowego oraz Służbie Wywiadu Wojskowego z dnia 9 czerwca 2006 r. Dz. U. z 2006 r. Nr 104, poz. 709, Nr 218, poz. 1592, z 2007 r. Nr 25, poz. 162, z 2009 r. Nr 85, poz. 716, z 2010 r. Nr 182, poz. 1228, z 2011 r. Nr 22, poz. 114, Nr 53, poz. 273, Nr 84, poz. 455. USTAWA z dnia 9 czerwca 2006 r. o Centralnym Biurze Antykorupcyjnym, Dz. U. z dnia 23 czerwca 2006 r. Andrew Ch., Tylko dla oczu prezydenta. Od Washingtona do Busha - amerykańscy prezydenci i tajne służby, Warszawa 1998 Andrew Ch, Mitrochin W., Archiwum Mitrochina II. KGB i świat, Poznań 2006 Faligot R., Kauffer R., Służby Specjalne. Historia wywiadu i kontrwywiadu na świecie, Warszawa 2006 Larecki J., Wielki leksykon służb specjalnych świata: organizacje wywiadu, kontrwywiadu i policji politycznych świata, terminologia profesjonalna i żargon operacyjny, Warszawa 2007 Minkina M., Sztuka wywiadu w państwie współczesnym, Warszawa 2014 Zalewski S., Służby specjalne w demokratycznym państwie, Warszawa 2005 Zalewski S., Funkcja informacyjna służb specjalnych w systemie bezpieczeństwa RP, Warszawa 2005	
	Supplementary literature	Faligot F., Tajne służby chińskie, Warszawa 2009 Grzegorowski Z., Służby specjalne a bezpieczeństwo państwa polskiego, Toruń 2013 Gieseke J., STASI. Historia, Kraków 2010 Herman M., Potęga wywiadu, Warszawa 2002 Minkina M. FSB. Gwardia Kremla, Warszawa 2016 Siemiątkowski Z., Wywiad a władza. Wywiad cywilny w systemie sprawowania władzy politycznej PRL, Warszawa 2009 Tebinka J., Służby specjalne Wielkiej Brytanii i Polski w XX wieku. Problem współpracy i rywalizacji, (w:) Czas XX wieku nie tylko w polskiej perspektywie, pod red. R. Wapińskiego, Gdańsk 2000	
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Describe the role of border control services in protecting state security in the era of migration?		

Work placement	Not applicable
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