

Subject card

Subject name and code	Prehistory of Polish lands, PG_00167829						
Field of study	History						
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	Faculty of History -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		prof. dr hab. Witold Świątosławski				
	Teachers		prof. dr hab. Witold Świątosławski				
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		20.0	52
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to familiarize the student with the basic problems of the prehistory of Polish lands.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[HISTL3_U03] Is able to communicate with the public using specialist terminology specific to historical and related sciences	Is able to communicate with the environment using specialized terminology appropriate for historical and related sciences (archaeology)	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[HISTL3_K01] Critically evaluates his/her knowledge, demonstrates a willingness to continually expand his/her knowledge and to seek expert advice if he/she has difficulty solving a problem on his/her own	Critically evaluates the knowledge acquired, shows readiness to constantly expand it and seek the opinion of experts in the event of difficulties in independently solving a problem in the field of the prehistory of Polish lands	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[HISTL3_U01] Is able to use their knowledge: to formulate and, through the appropriate selection of information sources, critically analyse and synthesise them, to solve complex and unusual problems in the field of history	Is able to use the acquired knowledge: formulate and, through the appropriate selection of information sources, criticize their analysis and synthesis, solve complex and unusual problems in the field of the prehistory of Polish lands	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[HISTL3_W02] Has advanced, chronologically and thematically ordered knowledge of the history of ancient and modern Polish lands	Has advanced, chronologically and thematically organized knowledge about the prehistory of Polish lands	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[HISTL3_W05] Has an advanced knowledge of the achievements of historiography, distinguishes its main currents and is aware of the existence of different points of view in historical and related sciences, determined by different national and cultural backgrounds	Has basic knowledge of the achievements of historiography in relation to the prehistory of Polish lands and is aware of the existence of different points of view among researchers	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[HISTL3_K03] Is ready to fulfil social obligations, co-organise activities for the benefit of the social environment in the field of education and promotion of the historical and cultural heritage of Poland, its region and Europe	takes part in events organised by the Faculty of History concerning the prehistory of the Polish lands	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion

Subject contents	Presentation of basic issues concerning the prehistory of the lands of present-day Poland in the European context:		
	Introduction I: basic concepts, terms and methods of researching the distant past.		
	Introduction II: main research directions in contemporary archaeology.		
	Introduction II: basic dating methods periodisation of prehistory.		
	Anthropogenesis.		
	Lower and Middle Palaeolithic the beginnings of human civilisation.		
	Late Palaeolithic: the phenomenon of Palaeolithic art.		
	Mesolithic: the end of the world of hunters and gatherers.		
	The Neolithic Revolution: the beginning of the Neolithic period great success or expulsion from Paradise?		
	Eneolithic: intensification of world development.		
	The Bronze Age: from diversity to cultural uniformity.		
	The Hallstatt period: the beginning of the Iron Age.		
	The La Tène period: Celtic domination in barbarian Europe.		
	The Roman period: the Przeworsk and Wielbark cultures.		
	The Roman period: traces of contact with the Roman Empire.		
	The Migration Period: the twilight of the ancient world.		
	The dawn of the Middle Ages: the great expansion of the Slavs.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Exam	50.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	Kozłowski K. J., Kaczanowski P., Wielka historia Polski, t. 1, Najdawniejsze dzieje ziem polskich (do VII w.), Kraków 1998	
	Supplementary literature	Hensel W., Polska starożytna, Wrocław 1980. Jażdżewski K., Pradzieje Europy Środkowej, Wrocław 1981.	
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed			
Work placement	Not applicable		

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