

Subject card

Subject name and code	International political relations in the Balkans, PG_00141890						
Field of study	Balkan Studies						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2026/2027		
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	2		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	3		ECTS credits		3.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Division of Slavonic and Balkan Studies -> Institute of Classical and Slavonic Studies -> Faculty of Languages -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Natalia Wyszogrodzka-Liberadzka				
	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		43.0	75
Subject objectives	To familiarize the student with the political history and current foreign policy and international political relations of the Balkan countries in the 20th and early 21st centuries.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[SBAŁL3_W11] One has a structured knowledge of selected economic and business issues, and is also oriented towards practical application in selected spheres of cultural, media and economic activity, primarily in the field of international cooperation related to the area of the Polish language and the Balkan Peninsula.	Student: - has knowledge about the contemporary geopolitical situation of the Balkan countries (K_W08); - has structured knowledge of selected economic and legal issues, also oriented towards practical application in the selected sphere of cultural, media and economic activity, primarily in the field of international cooperation related to the area of the Polish language and specialized languages (K_W11);	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[SBAŁL3_K01] Is aware of the level of knowledge acquired about the Balkan regions and their languages, and is able to critically evaluate this knowledge.	Student: - is aware of the level of knowledge regarding the geopolitical situation of the Balkans, is able to assess the scope of this knowledge (K_K01);	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/report [SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[SBAŁL3_W08] One holds an advanced knowledge of the specificity of the countries of the Balkan Peninsula, their history and mutual relations, as well as their legal systems and economic conditions.	Student: - has knowledge about the specificity of the countries of the Balkan Peninsula, their history and mutual relations, as well as legal systems and economic conditions (K_W08);	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[SBAŁL3_U01] Knows how to - in Polish or one of the South Slavic languages (Serbian or Croatian) - search, select, analyze and interpret data using advanced information and communication techniques.	Student: - is able to search, select and interpret information regarding international political relations in the Balkans (K_U01);	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[SBAŁL3_U08] Has the ability to prepare oral presentations, in Polish or a foreign language appropriate for the Balkan Studies field, on specific issues, using basic theoretical approaches as well as various sources.	Student: - can prepare an oral statement regarding the international policy of the Balkan countries (K_W08).	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[SBAŁL3_W15] One knows the methodology of performing tasks, norms, procedures and good practices used in the institutions related to cultural, diplomatic and commercial activities in the field of international cooperation related to the area of the Polish language and the Balkan Peninsula.	Student: - knows the methodology of performing tasks, standards, procedures and good practices used in institutions related to cultural, diplomatic and commercial activities in the field of international cooperation related to the area of the Polish language and specialized languages (K_W15).	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[SBAŁL3_K03] Independently undertakes and initiates simple research activities in the field of Balkan culture.	Student: - independently undertakes simple research in the field of international cooperation of the Balkan countries regarding culture (K_K03).	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/report [SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[SBAŁL3_W14] One knows the various structures of cultural and economic institutions in Poland and the Balkan countries and understands the validity of the functioning of their individual elements.	Student: - knows various structures of cultural and economic institutions and understands the validity of the functioning of their individual elements (K_W14);	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report

Subject contents	1. The political situation in the Balkans after the end of World War II.2. Specificity of Yugoslavia's foreign policy until 1991.3. Causes, mechanisms and effects of SFRY disintegration.4. Ethnocultural background of conflicts in the Balkans.5. The beginning of the formation of a new order and state system in Europe after the collapse of the SFRY.6. International interventions in the post-Yugoslav countries.7. Union of the states of Serbia and Montenegro and its collapse. Independence of Montenegro.8. The problem of Kosovo and its status on the international political scene.9. Integration processes and cooperation with Euro-Atlantic structures.10. Current foreign policy of the Western Balkan countries - strategies.11. Regional and bilateral cooperation of the Balkan countries.12. Foreign policy of selected countries in the region.13. Geopolitical and geostrategic importance of the region.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	Obtaining a pass in the subject - Political and legal systems of selected countries in the region (semester 1)		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	mixed final exam (test/open questions)	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	- Bałkany Zachodnie a integracja europejska: perspektywy i implikacje, praca zbiorowa, Warszawa 2008. - Bałkany Zachodnie: Między przeszłością a przyszłością, praca zbiorowa, Łódź 2013. - Bauriski J., Bałkany Zachodnie na drodze ku zjednoczonej europie, Warszawa 2002. - Garlicka A., Bałkany a Europa w XIX i XX w., [w:] Dziesięć wieków Europy. Studia z dziejów kontynentu, red. J. Żarnowski, Warszawa 1983, s. 364-412. - Gibas-Krzak D., Serbsko-albański konflikt o Kosovo w XX wieku : uwarunkowania, przebieg, konsekwencje , Toruń 2009. - Glenny M., The Balkans 1804-1999 : nationalism, war and the great powers, London 1999. - Gołembski F., Bałkany. Determinanty stabilności, Warszawa 1982, s. 49-87. - Gołembski F., Geokulturowe uwarunkowania stosunków politycznych na Bałkanach, [w:] Bałkany. Etnokulturowe podłoże konfliktów, red. W. Konarski, A. Koseski, Pułtusk 2006, s. 69-91. - Jelavich B., Historia Bałkanów. Wiek XX, Kraków 2005. - Marcinkowska P., Kosovo jako suwerenne państwo. Teoria i praktyka, Warszawa 2016. - Ognik H., Polityka zagraniczna Socjalistycznej Federacyjnej Republiki Jugosławii, [w:] Polityka zagraniczna bałkańskich państw socjalistycznych, Warszawa 1988, s. 91-128. - Systemy polityczne wybranych państw basenu Morza Śródziemnego, pod red. M. Myśliwiec i K. Krysiel, Wydawnictwo Wyższej Szkoły Bankowej w Poznaniu, Poznań-Chorzów 2011. - Świat po Kosowie, red. A. Magdziak-Miszewska, Warszawa 2000. - Wasilewski T., W. Felczak, Historia Jugosławii, Wrocław 1985, s. 454-465. - Wojciechowski S., Integracja i dezintegracja Jugosławii na przełomie XX i XXI wieku, Poznań 2002, s. 79-120. - Tanty M., Bałkany w XX wieku. Dzieje polityczne, Warszawa 2003, s. 358-362. - Targalski J., Kres jugokomunizmu, Wydawnictwo eNka, 2011. - Zacharias M. J., Komunizm federacja nacjonalizmy. System władzy w Jugosławii 1943-1991. Powstanie - przekształcenia - rozkład, Warszawa 2004, s. 536-578. - Balcanica Posnaniensia: acta et studia / Uniwersytet im. Adama Mickiewicza w Poznaniu. - Seria Wydawnicza Bałkany XX/XXI, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Łódzkiego, Łódź.	
	Supplementary literature	- Bieniek K., Polityka zagraniczna Turcji wobec państw bałkańskich, Toruń 2008. - Dwadzieścia lat transformacji w regionie Europy Środkowo-Wschodniej i Południowej , red. A. Stępień-Kuczyńska, M. Słowikowski, Toruń 2010. - Gadjanova E., The state of local democracy in the Western Balkans : a study of local democratic processes and institutions in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, and Serbia and Montenegro, Luxembourg 2006. - Jugoistočna Evropa 2000 : pogled iz Srbije, red. J. Minić, Beograd 1999. - Konflikty militarne i niemilitarne na Bałkanach w XX i XXI wieku w perspektywie polemologicznej, red. D. Gibas-Krzak, A. Krzak, Szczecin 2013. - Kuczyński M., Bałkańska pożoga: wojny i konflikty na Bałkanach w latach 1981-1999, Warszawa 1999. - Stawowy-Kawka I., Macedonia w polityce państw bałkańskich w XX wieku, Kraków 1993.	

	eResources addresses	
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	The conditions for taking the exam are: presence and active participation in class discussions; written preparation (semester paper) and presentation during classes related to the topic of the classes.	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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