

Subject card

Subject name and code	New theories in the humanities, PG_00145355						
Field of study	Creative Writing						
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 Subject group related to scientific research 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	4		ECTS credits		3.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Institute of Polish Philology -> Faculty of Languages -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Mariusz Kraska				
	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	The aim of the class is to present the main trends of modern humanist thought after the post-structuralist breakthrough and to develop knowledge of the methodology of the humanities and humanist terminology. The class develops the ability to orient oneself in modern humanistic reflection and critically evaluate its trends.						
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome		Method of verification		
	[SKPL3_U08] Is able to create substantive arguments in polemics and debates, using, among others: discourse of literary studies and contemporary humanities.		s able to create substantive arguments in polemics and debates on the place and importance of literature in the field of contemporary humanities.		[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work		
	[SKPL3_K03] Is ready for active, self-aware and responsible participation in literary, cultural and social life in various roles.		is prepared to participate consciously and responsibly in cultural and social life in a variety of roles.		[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK3] text preparation/written work		
	[SKPL3_U02] Is able to use literary and cultural methods and theories to create interpretations and assessments of literary texts.		can use literary and cultural methods and theories to create interpretations and evaluations of literary texts.		[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work		
	[SKPL3_W01] Knows and understands at an advanced level selected issues related to the specificity of the subject and methodology of literary studies in the field of humanities, especially literary studies, within the art of creative writing.		knows and understands to an advanced degree selected concepts and theories in the modern humanities.		[SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work		

Subject contents	1. deconstruction and deconstructionism. 2. post-structuralism. 3. feminism. 4. gender and queer. 5. pragmatism. 6. historical narrativism. 7. Contemporary humanist thought towards the past. 8. environmental history. 9. cultural turn. 10. postcolonialism. 11. iconic/visual turn. 12. performative turn. 13. memorial turn. 14. hauntology 15. somatic turn. 16. forensic turn / Dead body studies. 17. ecocriticism. 18. animal studies. 19. posthumanism. 20. spatial turn. 21. new regionalism and ethno-philology. 22. new humanities.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	exam	51.0%	100.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	1. deconstruction and deconstructionism: - Burzyńska A., Markowski M.P., Theories of 20th Century Literature. Handbook, Krakow 2006, chapter "Deconstruction". - Culler J., Deconstruction and its implications for literary studies, transl. M.B. Fedewicz, "Pamiętnik Literacki" 1987, z. 4. - de Man P., Allegories of reading: figurative language in Rousseau, Nietzsche, Rilke and Proust, transl. A. Przybysławski, Krakow 2004. - Derrida J., Differance, transl. J. Marganski, [in:] Margins of Philosophy, transl. A. Dziadek, J. Marganski and P. Pieniążek, Warsaw 2002, pp. 29-56. - Derrida J., Structure, sign and play in the discourse of the humanities, [in:] idem, Writing and Difference, transl. K. Klosinski, Warsaw 2004. - Nycz R., Deconstructionism in literary theory, [in:] idem, Textual World. Poststructuralism and the Knowledge of Literature, Warsaw 1993. 2 Poststructuralism: - Burzyńska A., Markowski M.P., Theories of literature of the twentieth century. Handbook, Krakow 2006, chapter "Poststructuralism". 3. feminism: - Burzynska A., Markowski M.P., Theories of 20th Century Literature. Handbook, Krakow 2006, chapter "Feminism".- Cixous H., Laughter of the Jellyfish, [in:] Body and Text. Feminism in Literary Studies. An anthology of sketches, edited by A. Nasilowska, Warsaw 2001. - Haraway D., The cyborg manifesto: science, technology and socialist feminism of the 1980s, Philosophical and Literary Review 2003, no. 1. - Klosinska K., Feminist literary criticism, Katowice 2010. Miller N.K., Arachnologies: woman, text and criticism, transl. K. Klosinska and K. Klosinski, [in] Theories of 20th Century Literature. An Anthology, edited by A. Burzyńska and M.P. Markowski, Krakow 2006. 4 Gender and queer:- Burzyńska A., Markowski M.P., Theories of 20th Century Literature. Handbook, Krakow 2006, chapter "Gender and queer". Butler J., Performative Acts and the Construction of Cultural Gender. A sketch in phenomenology and feminist theory, [in:] Lektury inności, ed. M. Dąbrowski, R. Pruszczyński, Warsaw 2007. - Encyclopedia of gender. Gender in culture, ed. M. Rudaś-Grodzka et al., Warsaw 2014. - Irigaray L., Ta płęć (jeden) płcią niebędąca, Władze dyskursu, [in:] eadem, Ta płęć (jeden) płcią niebędąca, transl. S. Królak, Kraków 2011. - Łębkowska A., Gender, [in:] Cultural Theory of Literature. Main concepts and problems, edited by M.P. Markowski and R. Nycz,
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	Supplementary literature	None
	eResources addresses	
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Ecocriticism and its assumptions The crisis of the concept of representation The concept of the subject in posthumanism	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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