

Subject card

Subject name and code	Basics of Geriatric Speech Therapy, PG_00151527						
Field of study	Logopedics						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2026/2027		
Education level	Master's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study Subject group related to practical vocational preparation		
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		2.0		
Learning profile	practical		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Institute of Logopaedics -> Faculty of Languages -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Ewa Binkuńska				
	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		2.0		28.0	50
Subject objectives	The aim of the seminar is for the participant to learn about the issues of aging in the aspect of physiological changes accompanying old age and the development possibilities of a person in senior age. The participant is to gain knowledge about aging changes occurring in the patient's body, including the nervous system, emphasizing the preserved functions and strengths of seniors, which should be used in the process of supporting this part of the population. The participant will learn the language capabilities of this group and the possibilities of using them in rehabilitation.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[LOGMU2_W10] He knows and understands the problems of food intake disorders of different etiology and course in patients of different ages, the principles of diagnosis and therapy of dysphagia.	Knows and understands the issues of food intake disorders in elderly patients, the principles of diagnosis and therapy of dysphagia (K_W10).	[SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[LOGMU2_W03] He has the linguistic and speech therapy knowledge to independently program measures to prevent speech disorders for people at risk of developing them.	He has linguistic and speech therapy knowledge allowing him to be independent programming preventive actions to prevent speech disorders and food intake disorders in seniors (K_W03).	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[LOGMU2_K01] He is ready to critically evaluate his linguistic (including speech therapy) knowledge and to modify and supplement it.	Independently and critically supplements his knowledge and skills in the field gerontologopedia, extended with an interdisciplinary dimension (K_K01).	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[LOGMU2_W08] He has an in-depth knowledge of language functioning and its changes with human age, as well as an in-depth knowledge of methods for diagnosing the needs and evaluating the quality of speech therapy services provided to patients of different age groups.	Has knowledge about humans in the context of age-related mental, health and language changes (K_W08).	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[LOGMU2_U04] Can independently diagnose speech development disorders, language problems, speech disorders and intake difficulties, identify their etiology and program speech therapy according to the disorder, including in the case of complex medical disorders, including neurological disorders.	Is able to indicate problems in communication and food intake specific to a senior patient (K_U04).	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[LOGMU2_U03] He has the ability to interpret, analyze the causes and course of linguistic and communicative processes and phenomena, substantively argue using his own views and those of other authors, formulate conclusions and create synthetic summaries using appropriate terminology.	Interprets the causes and course of changes in language communication occurring in elderly people, using available literature, works on creating synthetic summaries, using appropriate terminology (K_U03).	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[LOGMU2_U05] Can independently program measures to prevent speech and language disorders for people at risk of developing them.	Can independently program activities aimed at preventing speech and language disorders in elderly people, taking into account the specificity of their functioning and the general health condition of the patient (K_U05).	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report
Subject contents	Myths and truth about old age. Neurodegenerative diseases. Anxiety and depression in old age. The aging process and its determinants. Specific features of linguistic communication in the elderly. The issues of elderspeak and secondary baby talk. Physiological processes occurring in the nervous system of elderly people, with emphasis on preserved functions. Language use by seniors. Specific features of speech perception, production and conversational properties. Discussion of specific phenomena such as: OTV (off target verbosity) or TOT (tip-of-the tongue).		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	No entry requirements.		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	colloquium	51.0%	50.0%
	presentation	51.0%	30.0%
	presence	51.0%	20.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	Krzyżowski Janusz, Psychogeriatra, Ed. Medyk, Warsaw 2005 Obuchowski Kazimierz (ed.), Old age and personality, Ed. Bydgoszcz Academy, Bydgoszcz 2002 Kaczorowska-Bray K., Milewski S., Michalik M. (2020). Old age - as speech therapy sees it. Gdańsk: Harmonia Universalis Publishing House.
	Supplementary literature	Krzyżowski Janusz, Psychogeriatra, Ed. Medyk, Warsaw 2005 Obuchowski Kazimierz (ed.), Old age and personality, Ed. Bydgoszcz Academy, Bydgoszcz 2002 Seligmann Martin, Walker Elanie, Rosenhan David, Psychopathology, Zysk i S-ka, Poznań, 2003 Kielar-Turska M., Byczewska-Konieczny K., 2014, Specific properties of language use by seniors, [in:] Biomedical foundations of speech therapy, S. Milewski, J. Kuczkowski, K. Kaczorowska-Bray (ed.), Gdańsk, Harmonia Universalis Rostowski J., 2012, Human brain development in the life cycle. Bioneuropsychological aspects. Warsaw: Engram Tłokiński, W., Milewski, S., Kaczorowska-Bray, K. (2017). Gerontologopedia. Gdańsk: Harmonia Universalis. Milewski, S., Kaczorowska-Bray, K., Kamińska, B. (2016). Late adulthood from the perspective of speech therapy, Borderland. Social Studies. volume XXVII. Milewski, S., Kaczorowska-Bray, K. (2015). Late adulthood as a subject of interest in contemporary speech therapy research perspectives. In: S. Milewski, K. Kaczorowska-Bray (eds.), Methodology of speech therapy research from the perspective of theory and practice. Gdańsk: Harmonia Universalis, pp. 153-171
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed		
Work placement	Not applicable	

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