

Subject card

Subject name and code	Seminar I - WIDŁAK Tomasz , PG_00174605						
Field of study							
Date of commencement of studies	October 2023		Academic year of realisation of subject		2025/2026		
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group		Optional subject group		
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	3		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	5		ECTS credits		4.0		
Learning profile	practical		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Tomasz Widłak				
	Teachers		dr hab. Tomasz Widłak				
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30.0	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 subject examines issues of contemporary legal theory and philosophy, with particular emphasis on the concept of so-called difficult cases. The students' attention will be focused on important problems arising when the law clashes with other normative systems and normative conflicts within the law itself. In the course of the course, special attention will be paid to the philosophical aspects of the most controversial contemporary legal and social problems.						
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome		Method of verification		
	ADMINL3_WK10		is able to conduct an in-depth analysis of a selected social issue from the perspective of legal sciences, knows and understands the methods that enable this, and is able to present the results obtained		[SW3] text preparation/written work		
Subject contents	1. the concept of hard cases in the philosophy of law; 2. historical development of the concept of hard cases; 3. the concepts of hard cases according to H.L.A. Hart, R. Dworkin, N. McCormick, A. Peczenik, J. Wroblewski; 4. the Hart - Dworkin debate; 5. Hard cases and the role of courts and judges; 6 Hard cases in law making, application and compliance; 7. Hard cases as collisions between normative systems; 8. the importance of difficult cases for the training of lawyers (judges). 9. Law and morality 10. Law and artificial intelligence 11. law and religion 12. law and human rights						
Prerequisites and co-requisites							

Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	written assignment	51.0%	50.0%
	presentation	51.0%	50.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	T. Widłak, Temida z charakterem. Filozoficznoprawny przewodnik po cnotach sędziowskich, Gdańsk 2025. T. Widłak, Teoria i filozofia prawa międzynarodowego Hansa Kelsena, Gdańsk 2018. T. Widłak, Fuller, Sopot 2016. T. Widłak, Wspólnota międzynarodowa, Gdańsk 2012. J. Zajadło, Sędziowie i niewolnicy. Szkice z filozofii prawa, Wydawnictwo UG, Gdańsk 2017. J. Zajadło, Po co prawnikom filozofia prawa?, Wolters Kluwer, Warszawa 2008. J. Zajadło (red.) Leksykon teorii i filozofii prawa. 100 podstawowych pojęć, C. H. Beck, wyd. 2, Warszawa 2017. J. Zajadło, K. Zeidler (red.), Filozofia prawa w pytaniach i odpowiedziach, LexisNexis, Warszawa 2013. J. Zajadło (red.), Fascynujące ścieżki filozofii prawa, LexisNexis, Warszawa 2008.	
	Supplementary literature	J. Zajadło, Radbruch, Arche s.c., Sopot 2016; J. Zajadło, Schmitt, Arche s.c., Sopot 2016; R. Alexy, Teoria praw podstawowych (tłum. J. Zajadło), Wydawnictwo Sejmowe, Warszawa 2010. B. Brozek, Normatywność prawa, Wolters Kluwer Polska, Warszawa 2012. R. Kwiecień, Teoria i filozofia prawa międzynarodowego. Problemy wybrane, Difin, Warszawa 2011. O. Nawrot, Ludzka biogeneza w standardach bioetycznych Rady Europy, Wolters Kluwer, Warszawa 2011. W. Załuski, Ewolucyjna filozofia prawa, Wolters Kluwer Polska, Warszawa 2009. A. Grabowski, Prawnicze pojęcie obowiązywania prawa stanowionego: krytyka niepozytywistycznej koncepcji prawa, Księgarnia Akademicka 2009. T. Pietrzykowski, Intuicja prawnicza. W stronę zewnętrznej integracji teorii prawa, Difin, Warszawa 2012. J. Oniszczyk, Filozofia i teoria prawa, C.H. Beck, wyd. 2, Warszawa 2009.	
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed			
Work placement	Not applicable		

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