University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Identity as a social construct), PG_00179569		
Field of study	English Studies, Balkan Studies, Slavic Studies		
Date of commencement of studies	October 2024	Academic year of realisation of subject	2025/2026
Education level	Master's studies	Subject group	Obligatory subject group in the field of study Optional subject group
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	2.0
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form	credit
Conducting unit			
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr Anna Hau	
	Teachers	dr Anna Hau	

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	18.0	50

Subject objectives

The aim of the course is to familiarise students with the basic concepts and theories of identity in sociology, and knowledge of the mechanisms by which social interaction influences identity formation. Students will also learn about different aspects of identity and global identity challenges in the context of contemporary social change.

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	The student knows the terminology of identity sociology. He or she has knowledge of the interrelation of the discipline of social sciences with other sciences. The student is able to acquire, select, and analyse knowledge with the use of various sources in Polish in an ordered and systematic way. He or she defines, explains and applies correctly in speaking and writing the basic notions and issues characteristic for the concept and theory of identity in sociology. Students are aware of the scope of their knowledge and understand the need for further development of their own competences.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written

Subject contents

The concept of identity - an introduction. Definitions of identity in sociology. The theory of psychosocial development. Erikson's. Tajfel and Turner's concept of identity. C. H. Cooley's concept of the reflected self. Mead's symbolic interactionism. Identity in constructivist terms. Wounded identity in Erving Goffman's conception. On the narrative view of identity. Paul Ricoeur's conception of narrative identity. Individual identity as conceptualised by Anthony Giddens and Zygmunt Bauman. The discursive theory of identity (Michel Foucault). National identity, ethnic identity. Identity transformations. Individual and collective identity. Personal identity versus gender identity. Cultural identity. Global identity challenges.

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<tr><td rowspan="3">Recommended reading</td><td>Basic literature</td><td colspan="2">Bokszański Z., Tożsamości zbiorowe, Wydawnictwo Naukowe PWN, Warszawa 2006,
Machaj I., Walory poznawcze kategorii tożsamości społecznej jednostki, [w:] "Człowiek i społeczeństwo" T. XLIV, 2017,
Paleczny T., Socjologia tożsamości, Oficyna Wydawnicza AFM, Kraków 2008,
Smolarkiewicz E., Kubera J. (red.), Tożsamość i identyfikacje. Propozycje teoretyczne doświadczenia badawcze, Wydawnictwo Naukowe Wydziału Nauk Społecznych Uniwersytetu im. Adama Mickiewicza w Poznaniu, Poznań 2017,
Turner R. H., Koncepcja siebie w interakcji społecznej [w:] Współczesne teorie socjologiczne, (red.) Jasińska-Kania A., Nijakowski L. M., Szacki J., Ziółkowski M., (red.), Wydawnictwo Naukowe Scholar, Warszawa 2006</td></tr>
<tr><td>Supplementary literature</td><td colspan="2">Bokszański Z., Tożsamość aktora społecznego a zmiana społeczna [w:] Studia Socjologiczne nr 3-4, 1995,

Waszczyńska K.. Wokół problematyki tożsamości [w:] Rocznik Towarzystwa Naukowego Płockiego nr 6, 2014,

Uździcka M., Tożsamość, samoidentyfikacja, identyfikacja [w:] Zielonogórskie seminaria językoznawcze 2013,

Medyczne, bioetyczne, psychosocjologiczne i prawne aspekty tożsamości płci, (red.) Sinkiewicz W., Grabowski R., Dom Wydawniczy MARGRAFSEN s.c, Bydgoszcz 2014.</td></tr>
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