University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Independent reearch workshop, PG_00189802						
Field of study	Cultural Studies						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject	2027/2028			
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	credit			
Conducting unit	Division of Culture Studies -> Institute of Culture Studies -> Faculty of Languages -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Barbara Forysiewicz				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	0.0	30.0	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 course is to familiarize students with practical research methods conducted in the humanities. During classes, students will learn various research methods and techniques and will carry out a group research or interpretation project.						

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
[KULL3_W04] They have an advanced knowledge and understanding of methods for analyzing and interpreting various cultural texts.	The student has an advanced knowledge and understanding of the methods of analysis and interpretation of various cultural topics and adapts them in the research she conducts.	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work
[KULL3_K01] They are ready to critically evaluate his knowledge of culture and to recognize its value in solving cognitive and practical problems.	The student is able to critically evaluate his/her knowledge of conducting own research and use it appropriately in solving cognitive and practical problems.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SK3] text preparation/written work
[KULL3_U01] They are able to formulate and solve unusual and complex problems in the field of cultural studies through the appropriate selection of information about culture and its critical evaluation, analysis, and synthesis.	The student critically evaluates, analyzes, and synthesizes information in her own cultural studies. Formulates research problems and works toward their solutions.	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/ report [SU3] text preparation/written work
[KULL3_W01] They have advanced knowledge of the subject's specifics, the theories of cultural studies, and its place among the sciences of culture and religion.	The student has advanced knowledge of the specific nature of the subject, theories of cultural studies and the possibilities of using them in their own research in the field of cultural and religious studies.	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work
[KULL3_U02] They possess the skills necessary to conduct research on culture and to draw conclusions through the appropriate selection and use of theories, methods, and research tools of cultural studies, as well as advanced information and communication technologies.	The student appropriately selects and utilizes theories, methods, and research tools to conduct their own cultural research. They utilize information and communication technologies.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work
[KULL3_U03] They are able to communicate using specialized terminology in the fields of cultural and religious studies, as well as the arts.	The student is able to communicate using terminology related to research methods and techniques used in the study of cultural texts.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work

Subject contents

1. Application of research methods from the social sciences and humanities in cultural studies
2. Research ethics
3. Designing a research project
4. The researcher in the field
5. Entering the field; establishing relationships
6. (three classes) Research techniques: observation, interview, document analysis
7. Analysis and interpretation of data
8. Quantitative research in a qualitative project
9. (four classes) Netnography qualitative research on the internet

Prerequisites and co-requisites

Assessment methods and criteria

Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
Active participation in classes	25.0%	25.0%
Participation in a group project	50.0%	50.0%
Performing exercises during classes	25.0%	25.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	• J. Pieter, Ogólna metodologia pracy naukowej, Ossolineum, Wrocław Warszawa Kraków, 1967. • J. Apanowicz, Metodologia ogólna, Gdynia 2000. • J. Sztumski, Wstęp do metod i technik badań społecznych, Katowice 1979. • Martyn Hammersley, Paul Atkinson, *Metody badań terenowych*, Poznań 2000. • Steven L. Schensul, *Essential Ethnographic Methods*, New York 1999 • Michael Angrosino, Badania etnograficzne i obserwacyjne, PWN, 2010.
	Supplementary literature	A. Bron, O badaniach biograficznych krytycznie, Nauki o wychowaniu. Studia interdyscyplinarne, 2017, nr 1 (4). M. Clark-Ibáñez, Kadrowanie świata społecznego przy użyciu wywiadu fotograficznego [w:] Maciej Frąckowia, Marek Krajewski, Krzysztof Olechnicki[red.] Badania wizualne w działaniu, Warszawa 2011, s. 39-66; S.Pink, Etnografia wizualna. Obrazy, media i przedstawienie w badaniach, Kraków 2009.P. M. Kostera, Antropologia organizacji, Warszawa 2003. W. Balee, Inside cultures, Tayor&Francis, Oxfordshire 2021. N. Howell, *Human Hazards of Fieldwork*, [w:] *Ethnographic Fieldwork. An Anthropological Reader*, red. A. Robben, Oxford 2007. *Badanie kultury. Elementy teorii antropologicznej*, red. M. Kempny, Warsz
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	• Carrying out a research project using the methods discussed in class	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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