University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Forensic psychology and psychology of personality and individual differences - auditorium classes, PG_00134306		
Field of study	Criminology		
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	part-time studies	Mode of delivery	at the university
Year of study	2	Language of instruction	Polish
Semester of study	3	ECTS credits	3.0
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form	credit
Conducting unit	Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector		
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr hab. Anna Babicka-Wirkus	
	Teachers		

Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	0.0	15.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15
	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	15	0.0	60.0	75

Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to acquire knowledge about the personality and temperament mechanisms of human functioning. It will familiarize students with concepts related to personality development and individual differences, the main theories of temperament and personality, intelligence and cognitive styles, and the functioning of the self-structure. It will also develop the ability to analyze and critically evaluate complex social situations and the interactions between biological and social determinants that influence individual differences and personality mechanisms, and to analyze their impact on motives and patterns of human behavior.

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
[KRYML3_K02] Is prepared to responsibly prepare for professional work, appropriately set priorities and plan activities, as well as responsibly perform professional roles, including adherence to the principles of professional ethics and maintaining professional standards. The graduate is able to independently make decisions, critically evaluate their own actions, the actions of teams in which they participate or which they lead, and accept responsibility for the consequences of undertaken actions, while promoting and disseminating proper patterns of conduct both in the workplace and outside it.	Is able to independently plan research into the personality and social determinants of crime and the specific characteristics of criminal behaviour	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/ report
[KRYML3_U02] Is able to analyse social phenomena, participate in debates, present and critically evaluate different viewpoints, and discuss them using specialised terminology. Is also able to identify and analyse moral and legal dilemmas in professional practice.	Is able to critically analyse the psychological, social and criminological factors underlying crime	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written

Subject contents

- Individual Differences: Description, Determinants, and the Social Aspects
- Formal Dimensions of Personality According to J.H. Eysenck's PEN Concept
- J. Strelau's Regulatory Theory of Temperament and A. Elias's Transactional Model of Temperament
- Temperament and Personality
- Temperament and the Tendency to Psychopathic Behavior
- The Concept and Measurement of Intelligence
- Cognitive Styles
- Psychodynamic Approaches to Personality and Classical Psychoanalysis
- Personality in the Learning Theory Approach
- Personality in the Humanistic and Existential Psychology Approach
- Cognitive Approaches to Personality
- Self-Concept and Identity; the Role of Automatic and Unconscious Processes
- Self-Related Themes: Self-Valuation, Self-Verification, and Control

Prerequisites and co-requisites

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Assessment methods and criteria

Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
presentation	51.0%	40.0%
test	60.0%	60.0%

Recommended reading

Basic literature	Strelau J. (2013) Psychologia różnic indywidualnych. Gdańsk, GWP. Strelau, J. (2006). Temperament jako regulator zachowania. Gdańsk, GWP. Nęcka, E. (2005). Inteligencja. Geneza - Struktura - Funkcje. Gdańsk, GWP.
Supplementary literature	Strelau, J. (2013). *Psychologia temperamentu*. Warszawa: PWN Zawadzki B. (2002). *Temperament geny i środowisko*. Sopot: GWP Zimbardo P.G., Johnson R.L., McCann, V. (2017). Psychologia osobowości. Warszawa: PWN.
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	
Work placement	Not applicable

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