University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Protection and Management of the Archaeological Heritage, PG_00200247						
Field of study	Archaeology						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject		2027/2028		
Education level	Master's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study Humanistic-social subject group 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	3		ECTS credits		3.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Institute of Archaeology -> Faculty of History -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Seweryn Rzepecki				
	Teachers						
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		43.0	75
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to prepare the student to independently practice the profession of archaeologist; covers legal and doctrinal issues related to the protection of archaeological heritage and work on monuments. It presents the legal, economic and organizational specifics of practicing the profession of archaeologist.						

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
[ARCHMU2_K03] Is ready to fulfill social obligations, inspire and organize activities for the benefit of the social environment	The student is convinced of fulfilling social obligations resulting from the profession of archaeologist, in particular inspiring and organizing activities that take into account the needs of the social environment	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
[ARCHMU2_K04] Is ready to initiate activities for the benefit of the public interest in the protection and promotion of archaeological heritage	The student is ready to initiate activities in the public interest in the protection and promotion of archaeological heritage.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
[ARCHMU2_K06] Is ready to fulfil professional roles responsibly, taking into account changing social needs, including contributing to the advancement of the discipline, upholding the professional ethos, and observing and promoting the principles of professional ethics	The student is ready to responsibly fulfill the professional role of an archaeologist, taking into account the changing needs and social conditions relating to: developing the achievements of archaeology, access to the results of research on monuments, developing the principles of professional ethics and observing them.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
[ARCHMU2_U03] Can communicate on topics related to archaeology and archaeological heritage with diverse audiences	The student is able to apply his/her theoretical and practical knowledge of the profession of archaeologist, among others, to communicate effectively with diverse social groups during the implementation of activities related to archaeological research, especially its popularisation and protection of archaeological heritage.	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
[ARCHMU2_W08] Knows and understands the economic, legal, ethical and other conditions of various types of professional activity related to archaeology, including the principles of intellectual property protection	The student has advanced and problem-oriented knowledge of the doctrinal, legal, organizational, economic and ethical aspects related to work with monuments and, in particular, knows the specificity of various types of professional activity in the field of archaeology.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
[ARCHMU2_W09] Knows and understands the principles of establishing, functioning and strategically developing various forms of organisation, including entrepreneurship	The student knows and understands the basic principles of creating and developing various forms of entrepreneurship related to archaeology.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written

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Outline of the history of monument protection in Poland. Act of 23 July 2003 on the protection and care of monuments and in particular its provisions concerning: forms and methods of protecting monuments, development of monuments and undertaking other activities at monuments, conservation supervision, principles of financing the care of monuments, Monument protection programmes, Organisation of monument protection, criminal cases and current directions of legal changes. In addition: the problem of Searchers and the use of metal detectors, Axiological foundations of cultural heritage protection, contemporary conservation doctrine in the world, the concept of eco-development and the conservation of the natural and cultural environment of man, international legal acts in preventive conservation, Social context of archaeology (selling nostalgia, marketing and public relations in the conservation of archaeological heritage), management of cultural heritage.Excavation research (authorisations for research, procedures and obligations towards the Provincial Conservation Commission), archaeological rescue research - concepts and examples. Whether and how to set up an archaeological company? Preparation of an offer for the performance of excavation research and negotiation of terms. The profession of archaeologist in practice. The problem of permissions, exploration methods, and ethics.

Prerequisites and co-requisites	Information on prehistory, introduction to archaeology and field research methodology.

Assessment methods and criteria

Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
test/exam	51.0%	100.0%

Recommended reading

Basic literature	Z. Kobylinski, Teoretyczne podstawy konserwacji dziedzictwa archeologicznego, Instytut Archeologii i Etnologii PAN, 2001 T. Rudkowski, (red.) O zabytkach. Opieka. Ochrona. Konserwacja, Oficyna Wydawnicza Towarzystwa Opieki nad Zabytkami, 2005 K. Zeidler & M. Trzcinski, Wykład prawa dla archeologow, Warszawa, Oficyna a Wolters Kluwer business, 2009
Supplementary literature	K. Pawłowska, & M. Swaryczewska, Ochrona dziedzictwa kulturowego. Zarzadzanie i partycypacja społeczna, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Jagiellonskiego 2002.
eResources addresses	

Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	1. Protection of archaeological monuments in Poland in the years 1918-19392. Protection of archaeological monuments in Poland in the years 1945-19623. Protection of archaeological monuments in Poland in the years 1962-20034. Act on the protection and care of monuments of 20035. Current status of the law on the protection of monuments in Poland
Work placement	Not applicable

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