University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Contemporary Directions in Religious Studies II, PG_00200715		
Field of study	Religious Studies		
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026	Academic year of realisation of subject	2026/2027
Education level	Master's studies	Subject group	Obligatory subject group in the field of study
Mode of study	full-time studies	Mode of delivery	at the university
Year of study	1	Language of instruction	Polish
Semester of study	2	ECTS credits	4.0
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form	exam
Conducting unit	Division of Religious Studies -> Institute of Anthropology -> Faculty of History -> Rector		
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr Andrzej Migda	
	Teachers	dr Andrzej Migda	

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	5.0	65.0	100

Subject objectives

To familiarize the student with contemporary orientations in the study of religion, taking into account various points of view, methodologies and approaches to religious studies.

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
[RELMU2_U02] Is able to independently plan and pursue lifelong learning, continuously developing knowledge and critical analytical skills.	K2_K01 knows the scope of his knowledge and skills, understands the need for continuous education and professional development	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
[RELMU2_K01] Knows the scope of their knowledge and skills and understands the need for continuous professional development and personal growth.	K2_U05 writes essays and monographic studies based on independently selected literature, taking into account the contemporary state of knowledge in the field of religious studies	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SK4] test/exam - oral or written
[RELMU2_W07] Possesses broad knowledge and understands the subject matter and methodology of religious studies as well as its relationships with other academic disciplines.	K2_U02 independently acquires knowledge and expands critical thinking skills	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
[RELMU2_W02] Possesses an in-depth knowledge of Polish-language terminology used in religious studies.	K _W06 has comprehensive knowledge and advanced knowledge of the main subjects theoretical positions in contemporary religious studies	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
[RELMU2_U05] Prepares written papers, multimedia presentations and other academic materials based on independently selected literature, taking into account the current state of research in religious studies.	K_W08 has extensive knowledge and understanding of the subject and methodological specificity religious studies and its relationship to other sciences	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written

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<tr><td>Subject contents</td><td colspan="3">Basic religious concepts; definition, structure and function of religion; main determinants of the subject of religious studies, discussion of research methodology in the field of religious studies.</td></tr>
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<tr><td rowspan="3">Recommended reading</td><td>Basic literature</td><td colspan="2">Bronk, A., Podstawy nauk o religii (Studia Religiologiczne, 4a), Lublin 2009.
Caillois, R., Człowiek i sacrum, Warszawa 1995.
Eliade, M., Sacrum, mit, historia, Warszawa 1974
König, F. Waldenfels, H. (red.), Leksykon religii. Zjawiska dzieje idee (tł. P. Pachciarek), Warszawa 1997.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Supplementary literature</td><td colspan="2">Lanczkowski, G., Wprowadzenie do religioznawstwa, tł. B. Bronk, Warszawa 1986.
Lenoir, F. Tardan-Masquelier, Y. (red.), Encyklopedia religii świata, t. 2: Zagadnienia problemowe, Warszawa 2002.
Poniatowski, Z., Wstęp do religioznawstwa, Warszawa 1961.
Rusecki, M., Geneza religii, w Religia w świecie współczesnym. Zarys problematyki religiologicznej, red. H. Zimoń (Studia Religiologiczne, 1), Lublin 2001, 71-88.</td></tr>
<tr><td>eResources addresses</td><td colspan="2"></td></tr>
<tr><td>Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed</td><td colspan="3">Fear and faith - try to interpret.

Name two types of basic social relations as religions.

Psychology of religion - redefine.

Anthropology of religion - what is its subject of research and why?

Does the philosophy of religion deal with religions of the 21st century? If so - for what purpose?</td></tr>
<tr><td>Work placement</td><td colspan="3">Not applicable</td></tr>
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