

Subject card

Subject name and code	Introduction to Political Science, PG_00203906						
Field of study	Diplomacy						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026	Academic year of realisation of subject			2026/2027		
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	1	Language of instruction			Polish		
Semester of study	2	ECTS credits			2.0		
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form			exam		
Conducting unit	Division of Political Theory -> Institute of Political Science -> Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Jarosław Nocoń				
	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		18.0	50
Subject objectives	The aim of the classes is to familiarize students with the manifestations of politics and conditions of the political sphere of social life; acquiring basic concepts and scientific categories necessary for an objective view and analysis of political reality, its meaning and the role of political power and the state in the life of a citizen. In addition, the specific goal is to discuss the basic issues necessary to understand the mechanisms of policy functioning, as well as theoretical preparation of students to master topics in other subjects in subsequent semesters of study.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[DYPL3_W01] Has advanced knowledge of the key issues in political science and understands their application and interconnections in the context of diplomacy. Is able to apply the research methods and techniques of political science to analyze phenomena and processes relevant to politics and diplomacy.	Knows the structure and subject scope, political science and administration. Capable to describe status knowledge about diplomacy into the structure of political science.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[DYPL3_U05] Can use normative systems and selected norms and rules to solve tasks related to diplomacy.	Knows what is political axiology	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[DYPL3_W03] Has advanced knowledge of the social, political and cultural ties between people, groups and institutions operating in politics and diplomacy.	Knows concept of the state and is able to describe its function.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[DYPL3_W13] Has advanced knowledge of democracy, civil society and the essence of public discourse in historical and contemporary diplomacy.	Knows types of political regimes	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[DYPL3_W07] Has advanced knowledge of the legal, organizational, and ethical norms regulating the functioning of political and diplomatic structures and institutions, including intellectual property and copyright law.	Knows what political axiology is	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[DYPL3_W04] Has advanced knowledge of the role of humans as entities shaping and constructing social structures and institutions operating in politics and diplomacy.	Knows psychosocial determinants of political behaviour	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[DYPL3_K01] Understands the need to acquire knowledge and new skills.	Knows functions of political science	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[DYPL3_W09] Has advanced knowledge of cultural norms that are socially significant and appropriate for political sciences and diplomacy.	Knows what political axiology is	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[DYPL3_W12] Has advanced knowledge of the historical, social and cultural views, trends and processes that shape contemporary political science and actions undertaken in politics and diplomacy.	Knows what is political axiology	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
Subject contents	<p>1. Social reception of knowledge about politics 2. Scope and subject structure of political science 3. Functions of political science 4. Key stages of the evolution of knowledge about politics 5. Ideology and criteria of political identity 6. Radicalism, extremism and political fundamentalism 7. Basic definitions of policy 8. Policy field and key dimensions of its analysis 9. Psychosocial determinants of political behavior 10. power as the central institution of the political sphere of social life 11. Legitimacy, alienation and functions of political power 12. features and sociotechnical resources of political power 13. political subjectivity and its determinants 14. Morality and politics - mutual relations 15. Politics and economics.</p>		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	oral egzam	50.0%	100.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	<p>Wprowadzenie do nauki o państwie i polityce, red. M. Żmigrodzki, B. Szmulik, Lublin 2003. Społeczeństwo i polityka. Podstawy nauk politycznych, red. K. A. Wojtaszczyk, W. Jakubowski, Warszawa 2003. A. Heywood, Politologia, Warszawa 2006. J. Nocoń, A. Laska, Teoria polityki. Wprowadzenie, Warszawa 2005. A. W. Jabłoński, L. Sobkowiak red., Studia z teorii polityki, tom I, tom II, Wrocław 1996 i 1997. R. J. Dalton, H. D. Klingemann red. Zachowania polityczne, T 1, T. 2, Warszawa 2010, wybrane zagadnienia. K. Skarżyńska (red.), Podstawy psychologii politycznej, Poznań 2002, wybrane zagadnienia. A. 2. studiowana samodzielnie przez studenta: A. Heywood, Klucz do politologii. Najważniejsze ideologie systemy postaci, Poznań 2008. S. Lipset, Homo politicus, Społeczne podstawy polityki, Warszawa 1999.</p>
	Supplementary literature	<p>Heywood A., Politologia, Warszawa 2006. Heywood A., Ideologie polityczne; Wprowadzenie, Warszawa 2003. Meller A., Radomski G., Wojdyło W., Antologia współczesnej polskiej myśli politycznej, Toruń 2013. Paleczny T., Nowe ruchy społeczne, Kraków 2010. Tomczak Ł., Partie polityczne. Struktury, programy, kampanie, Warszawa 2014. K. Skarżyńska (red.), Podstawy psychologii politycznej, Poznań 2002, wybrane zagadnienia. A. W. Jabłoński, L. Sobkowiak red., Marketing polityczny w teorii i praktyce, Wrocław 2002.</p>
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	<p>List and discuss the functions of political science Features of the ideal state according to Plato and Aristotle Factors determining socio-divisions and political structure in society Definitions of political power in state power Discuss the relationship between economics and politics Features of political manipulation Normative and utilitarian resources of political power Types of relations between politics and morality Features of political power</p>	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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