

Subject card

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| Subject name and code | Political Research Methods and Techniques, PG_00203915 | | | | | | |
| Field of study | Diplomacy | | | | | | |
| 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 | 3 | ECTS credits | | | 2.0 | | |
| Learning profile | academic | Assessment form | | | credit | | |
| Conducting unit | Division of Political Theory -> Institute of Political Science -> Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector | | | | | | |
| Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers) | Subject supervisor | | dr Dominik Bień | | | | |
| | 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 | | 18.0 | 50 |
| Subject objectives | The purpose of the course is to familiarize students with the methods and techniques used to correctly identify, describe and explain political phenomena, as well as to identify existing theories that describe social and political reality. | | | | | | |

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| 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. | Has knowledge including paradigms, theories, methods and techniques in the social sciences and humanities and understands their relationships and relations to techniques in the political sciences | [SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion |
| | [DYPL3_U01] Can interpret and explain the behaviors of individuals and social groups in social and political life in the context of diplomacy. | Using methods and theories from the political and social sciences, he is able to identify the intentions and behavior of political actors, both collective and individual | [SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU8] observation of student's independent or team work |
| | [DYPL3_U08] Is aware of the relationships between politics, diplomacy, and historical, economic, social, and cultural processes. Can assess them and draw conclusions in the context of politics and diplomacy. | Knows how to critically evaluate social, political, cultural and other realities based on theories and research paradigms in political science and social and economic sciences | [SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU8] observation of student's independent or team work |
| | [DYPL3_K07] Is ready to independently and critically develop their knowledge and skills. | Understands the need to acquire and expand knowledge related to political science, social science theory and political philosophy | [SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work |
| | [DYPL3_U07] Can use research methods and techniques to describe and analyse phenomena occurring in the sphere of diplomacy. | Has the ability to use research methods and techniques, both quantitative and qualitative, to analyze current political life at home and abroad | [SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written |
| | [DYPL3_K06] Recognises the need to maintain an appropriate ethical attitude in professional work and public activities. | Adopts a proper ethical attitude in his research and social and professional activities | [SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work |
| [DYPL3_W06] Has advanced knowledge of the methods, techniques, and research tools in political science, enabling the analysis of actors, relationships, institutional structures, processes, and phenomena occurring at the national and international level. | Has the ability to use research methods and techniques, both quantitative and qualitative, to analyze current political life at home and abroad | [SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion | |
| Subject contents | Objectives, scope and subject matter of political science research. The workshop of a political scientist, the literature of the subject. Methodology - basic issues. Specificity of political science cognition. Selected methodological and theoretical orientations in the social sciences and humanities and political science. Qualitative research methods. Quantitative research methods. Main exploratory theories. Techniques of obtaining source material. Criticism of sources. Methods of developing source material. Thesis editing. | | |
| Prerequisites and co-requisites | no | | |
| Assessment methods and criteria | Subject passing criteria | Passing threshold | Percentage of the final grade |
| | student activity | 100.0% | 15.0% |
| | test | 51.0% | 70.0% |
| | writing project | 51.0% | 15.0% |

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| Recommended reading | Basic literature | <p>Babbie E., Badania społeczne w praktyce, Warszawa 2020.</p> <p>Jemielniak D., Badania jakościowe; Metody i narzędzia, t. 2, Warszawa 2012.</p> <p>Nocon J., Laska A., Teoria polityki; Wprowadzenie, Warszawa 2010.</p> <p>Marsh D., Stoker G., Teorie i metody w naukach politycznych, Krakow 2006.</p> <p>Denzin N. K.; Lincoln Y. S., Metody badań jakościowych, t. 1,2; Warszawa 2024</p> |
| | Supplementary literature | <p>Babbie E., Badania społeczne w praktyce, Warszawa 2020.</p> <p>Jemielniak D., Badania jakościowe; Metody i narzędzia, t. 2, Warszawa 2012.</p> <p>Nocon J., Laska A., Teoria polityki; Wprowadzenie, Warszawa 2010.</p> <p>Marsh D., Stoker G., Teorie i metody w naukach politycznych, Krakow 2006.</p> <p>Denzin N. K.; Lincoln Y. S., Metody badań jakościowych, t. 1,2; Warszawa 2024</p> |
| | eResources addresses | |
| Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed | <p>- what basic paradigms and theories have been formed in the humanities, social and political sciences;- what basic quantitative and qualitative techniques are used in the social sciences;- how to properly edit a thesis;- how to find appropriate sources for a thesis.</p> | |
| Work placement | Not applicable | |

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