University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	History of Gdańsk and Pomerania - lecture, PG_00205459		
Field of study	History		
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 Subject group related to scientific research in the field of study
Mode of study	part-time studies	Mode of delivery	e-learning
Year of study	1	Language of instruction	Polish
Semester of study	2	ECTS credits	3.0
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form	exam
Conducting unit	Institute of History -> Faculty of History -> Rector		
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr Tomasz Rembalski	
	Teachers	dr hab. Sławomir Kościelak	

Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20
	E-learning hours included: 20.0						

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	20	2.0	53.0	75

Subject objectives	Familiarising students with the history of Gdansk Pomerania with particular emphasis on the history of Gdansk as the most important administrative, economic and cultural centre in the region

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
[HISTMU2_W05] Has in-depth knowledge of the principles, methods and tools used for the criticism, analysis and interpretation of a wide range of sources employed in historical research.	the student has in-depth knowledge to criticise, analyse and interpret a variety of sources used in historical research on Gdansk Pomerania and Gdansk	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
[HISTMU2_W04] Has in-depth knowledge of the main developmental trends and the most significant recent achievements in historical studies, and understands their importance for the interpretation of the fundamental dilemmas of contemporary civilisation.	the student has an in-depth knowledge of the main development trends and the most important new developments in the field of historical sciences, with particular emphasis on the achievements of Polish historiography concerning the history of Gdansk Pomerania and Gdansk	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
[HISTMU2_W02] The student possess in-depth knowledge of the research methods and problems characteristic of selected fields of history, such as political, social, economic, cultural, regional, family, and gender history, among others	the student has in-depth knowledge of methods and problems of research in selected fields of history such as regional history (Gdańsk and Gdańsk Pomerania)	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
[HISTMU2_U01] The student possess research skills in the field of historical sciences, enabling him/her to independently, critically, and creatively solve complex and non-standard research problems	the student has in-depth research skills in the historical sciences to formulate and innovatively solve complex and unusual problems in the field of regional studies	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written [SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
[HISTMU2_K01] The student is ready to critically evaluate the knowledge he possesses and the content he receives	The student is ready to critically evaluate his/her knowledge and perceived content.	[SK8] observation of student's independent or team work

Subject contents

Origin of the term "Gdansk Pomerania", territorial extent, administrative divisions throughout history. Formation of a network of cities, municipal law (Lübeck, Chelmno), centres of religion, culture, manufacturing and trade. Rural settlement in the Middle Ages. Gdansk Pomerania as part of the Polish state and an independent duchy of Gdansk. Pomerania as part of the state of the Teutonic Order. The network of komturships, development of towns, relations with the Hanseatic League, urban culture at the turn of the 15th c. Incorporation into the Polish Crown - autonomy of Royal Prussia within the Crown, problems of integration with the Crown. Formation of the self-government of the nobility - the General Sejmik. Reformation in Royal Prussia. The problem of self-government of the three great Prussian cities (including Gdańsk). Religious, cultural and scientific centres in Royal Prussia. Art and culture of the 16th - 18th centuries. The partition of Poland and the incorporation of Royal Prussia into the Kingdom of Prussia. The province of West Prussia - the network of administration, garrisons. The Free City of Danzig under Napoleon. Enfranchisement and Germanisation processes in the 19th century. Industrialisation at the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries. Gdansk Pomerania as part of the Second Polish Republic and the Second Free City of Gdansk 1920 - 1939. Gdansk Pomerania during World War II.

Prerequisites and co-requisites

Assessment methods and criteria

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

Recommended reading

Basic literature	Historia Pomorza, T. I - III, , red. Gerard Labuda, Poznań 1969 2001. Dzieje Pomorza Nadwiślańskiego od VII wieku do 1945 roku, praca zbiorowa pod ogólną red. Wacława Odyńca, Gdańsk 1978 E. Cieślak, Cz. Biernat, Dzieje Gdańska, Gdańsk 1975
Supplementary literature	Dygdała Jerzy, Życie polityczne w Prusach Królewskich u schyłku ich związku z Rzeczpospolitą w XVIII wieku. Tendencje unifikacyjne a partykularyzm, Warszawa 1984 Kizik Edmund, Wesele, kilka chrztów i pogrzebów. Uroczystości rodzinne w mieście hanzeatyckim od XVI do XVIII wieku, Gdańsk 2001 Kowal Stefan, Społeczeństwo Wielkopolski i Pomorza Nadwiślańskiego w latach 1871 1914, Poznań 1982 Odyniec Wacław, Życie i obyczaje ludu pomorskiego w XVII i XVIII wieku, Gdynia 1966 Salmonowicz Stanisław, Prusy Królewskie w XVI XVIII wieku. Studia z dziejów kultury, Toruń 2002 Śliwiński Błażej, Poczet książąt gdańskich. Dynastia Sobiesławiców w XII XIII wieku, Gdańsk 1997
eResources addresses	

Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed

Give the Polish equivalent of the German name Hinterpommern.
In which year was the name Pomerania first attested?

Work placement

Not applicable

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