

Subject card

Subject name and code	Ecology: between duty and social responsibility, PG_00165600						
Field of study	Political Studies						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2026/2027		
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study Optional 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		2.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit							
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor						
	Teachers						
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: 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	20		0.0		0.0	20
Subject objectives	Introducing students to the political and social aspects of the natural environment with the aim of better understanding decision-making processes and mechanisms of civic responsibility towards the environment. Students will be familiarised with the roles of various social actors influencing the public perception of environmental issues and ecological policy. This knowledge will enable students to independently analyse strategic documents in the field of environmental protection, evaluate the activities of ecological organisations, and actively participate in public life on matters concerning the natural environment.						
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome		Method of verification		
Subject contents	1. Environmental communication: the role of communication in shaping public perception and policy on environmental issues. 2. Politics and the environment: the links between politics and ecology, key concepts and the significance of environmental policy; 3. Green politics in political theories: political ideas and theories. 4. Participation and decision-making: involving the public (local communities) in decision-making processes concerning the natural environment. 5. Environmental conflicts: conflicts and methods of conflict resolution.						
Prerequisites and co-requisites							
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria		Passing threshold		Percentage of the final grade		
	30		0.0%		30.0%		
	70		51.0%		70.0%		

Recommended reading	Basic literature	Barbara Kijewska, 2024, Ecology: Political Commitments, Social Duty, FNCE Publishers, Poznań IPCC. 2021. Summary for Policymakers. In: Climate Change 2021: The Physical Science Basis. Contribution of Working Group I to the Sixth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 42. Act of 27 April 2001 – Environmental Protection Law, Journal of Laws 2001 No. 62, item 627. 2014
	Supplementary literature	Bińczyk, Ewa. 2018. The Age of Man – Rhetoric and Stagnation in the Anthropocene. Warsaw: PWN Scientific Publishers Man, Michael E. 2021. The New Climate War. Wrocław: Wydawnictwo Dolnośląskie Mrozowska, Sylwia. 2016. The European Union's Energy Policy. Kraków: LIBRON Publishing House (selected chapters)
	eResources addresses	
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	What are citizens' responsibilities and rights with regard to the natural environment? What role do the media and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) play in shaping public perception of environmental issues? Give examples. What is the difference between deep ecology and shallow ecology? How do corporations and lobbying groups influence environmental policy, and what mechanisms of public oversight can limit their negative impact on the environment? What are the main barriers to effective public participation in decision-making processes concerning environmental protection? What are the nature of location-related conflicts associated with environmental investments?	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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