University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Contemporary Polish Society - auditorium classes, PG_00176559		
Field of study	Sociology		
Date of commencement of studies	October 2027	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	1	Language of instruction	Polish
Semester of study	1	ECTS credits	3.0
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form	credit
Conducting unit			
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	prof. dr hab. Cezary Obracht-Prondzyński	
	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	0.0	45.0	75

Subject objectives

Introduction of basic sociological concepts and processes based on examples from the analysis of Polish socjety

Drawing attention to social phenomena occurring in Poland and describing their features

A closer look at the sociological analysis of social phenomena

Acquiring the ability to formulate sociological questions and seek answers to tchem

Creating statements and conducting arguments: in written work and in discussions

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
[SOCL3_W03] The graduate knows and understands in an advanced way the relationships between the relationship between micro and macro social structures and institutions, on a national and international scale in the fields of private life, work, politics, civil society, etc	Having knowledge about the relationships between social structures and institutions in Poland	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work [SW5] implementation of a problem task
[SOCL3_W02] The graduate has advanced knowledge about different types of social structures and institutions such as the state, nation, classes and social strata, ethnic group, local community, social group, family, political party, enterprise, she/he knows the differences in the functioning principles of social, public and commercial organisations	Having knowledge about the basic social structures and institutions of contemporary Polish society	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work [SW5] implementation of a problem task
[SOCL3_U09] The graduate will be able to prepare a written work in the field of sociology in Polish and English while observing the formal rules of a scientific text, using basic theoretical approaches and various sources of knowledge about society	Possessing the ability to write a paper on a specific topic related to Polish society	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU5] implementation of a problem task
[SOCL3_W08] The graduate knows and understands in an advanced way the character and directions of the most significant changes in the scope of social structures and institutions and their elements, he/she has knowledge about the causes, course and consequences of these changes on a micro- and macro-social scale and on a global scale	Having knowledge of basic phenomena and processess specific to Polish society	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work [SW5] implementation of a problem task
[SOCL3_U01] The graduate is able to interpret social phenomena using sociological concepts and sociological imagination	Having the ability to interpret social processes taking place in contemporary Polish society	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU5] implementation of a problem task
[SOCL3_U02] The graduate is able to use theoretical knowledge from different streams of sociology and acquire data to analyse specific social processes and phenomena	Having the ability to analyze the results of research and social surveys	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU5] implementation of a problem task
[SOCL3_U03] The graduate is able to analyse the causes and course of social processes and phenomena	Having the ability to use empirical data describing Polish society Having the ability to draw conclusions based on empirical data	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU5] implementation of a problem task
[SOCL3_K04] The graduate is ready to supplement and refine the acquired knowledge and skills	Having the ability to use sources that provide knowledge about Polish society	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SK3] text preparation/written work [SK5] implementation of a problem task

Subject contents	**Polish society in the context of electoral and political behavior** Youth. Engaged citizens or residents of their own social bubble? Patriotism. Different approaches to patriotism. Patriotism in times of peace and patriotism in times of war. Religiosity. The nature of religiosity of Polish women and men. Attitude towards the Church. **Selected social relations in Polish society** Changes in the family model. Decrease in fertility levels. An increase in the number of divorces. The future of family life. Attitudes of young people. Youth. The transition from childhood to adulthood. Leaving the family home. Prospects on the labor market. Attitude towards strangeness and otherness. Migrations and refugees. Acceptance of minorities. Attitudes towards LGBT people. **Issuess related to culture** Culture and social stratification. Musical preferences and choices in Polish society Elitism in culture. The role of authorities. Reading in Poland. Cultural involvement and participation. Individualization of reception and transmission. Culture bubbles. **Transformations of Polish cities** Settlement structure. Internal migrations. Good cities to live in. Forms of inhabitation. Gated communities. Blocks of flats. Suburbs. The transformation of the Polish urban society. Urban identity. Self-governance. The right to the city.
Prerequisites and co-requisites	Basic knowledge of contemporary Polish history with an emphasis on public life and social problems. General knowledge of social phenomena and their characteristics in relation to Polish society.
Assessment methods and criteria	

Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
Attendance	0.0%	20.0%
Written tasks	0.0%	50.0%
Activity	0.0%	30.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	The reading list is updated depending on changing phenomena and processes taking place in Polish society. **Polish society in the context of electoral and political behavior** Youth. Engaged citizens or residents of their own social bubble? Bodziony J., Możecie już odczepić się od młodych. Bez nich PiS rządziłoby dalej, Kultura Liberalna 2023. Patriotism. Different approaches to patriotism. Patriotism in times of peace and patriotism in times of war. Napiórkowski M., Turbopatriotyzm, Wydawnictwo Czarne, Wołowiec 2019. Religiosity. The nature of religiosity of Polish women and men. Attitude towards the Church. Podgórska J., Spróchniały krzyż, Wielka Litera, Warszawa 2019. **Social relations** Changes in the family model. Decrease in fertility levels. An increase in the number of divorces. The future of family life. Attitudes of young people. Bendyk E., Pawlak M., Jaka rodzina jest normalna, Polityka 38.2019 (3228). Youth. The transition from childhood to adulthood. Leaving the family home. Prospects on the labor market. Pawłowska D., Polacy jeszcze nigdy nie wyprowadzali się z domu w tak późnym wieku, biqdata.pl Attitude towards strangeness and otherness. Migrations and refugees. Acceptance of minorities. Attitudes towards LGBT people. Szołucha S. Sytuacja osób LGBT od Malty po Turcję. W Polsce najgorzej w całej Unii, biqdata.pl **Culture** Culture and social stratification. Musical preferences and choices in Polish society Przybysz D., Wyrzykowska K., Zawadzka K., Rock i disco polo na jednej playliście? Gusty muzyczne Polaków, Cyklicznik. Przegląd Naukowy IFiS PAN, 2021 (1).

		Elitism in culture. The role of authorities. Reading in Poland. Chaciński B., Żelazińska A., Samotność noblistki, Polityka 33.2022 (3376). Cultural involvement and participation. Individualization of reception and transmission. Culture bubbles. Pęczak M., Kres mas, Polityka 42.2021 (3334). **The City** Settlement structure. Internal migrations. Good cities to live in. Pawłowska D., Miasta szczęśliwe w Polsce, biqdata.pl Forms of inhabitation. Gated communities. Blocks of flats. Suburbs. Matys M., Waćpan, co jest sobą zaćpan, Gazeta Wyborcza Magazyn Świąteczny, 14.03.2015. The transformation of the Polish urban society. Urban identity. Self-governance. The right to the city. Bendyk E., Polacy mniej narodowi, bardziej miastowi, Polityka 9.2019 (3200).

	Supplementary literature	Bachórz A. et al., Kulturalna hierarchia: nowe dystynkcje i powinności w kulturze a stratyfikacja społeczna, Instytut Kultury Miejskiej, Gdańsk 2016. Bendyk E., W Polsce, czyli wszędzie. Rzecz o upadku i przyszłości świata, Polityka, Warszawa 2020. Bilewicz M., Traumaland. Polacy w cieniu przeszłości, Mando, Kraków 2024. Domański H., Czy są w Polsce klasy społeczne, Wydawnictwo Krytyki Politycznej, Warszawa 2015. Drozdowski R., Fatyga B., Filiciak M., Krajewski M., Szlendak T., Praktyki kulturalne Polaków, Wydawnictwo Naukowe Uniwersytetu Mikołaja Kopernika, Toruń 2014. Giza A., Sikorska M. (ed.), Współczesne społeczeństwo polskie, Wydawnictwo Naukowe PWN, Warszawa 2012. Marody M (ed.), Wymiary życia społecznego. Polska na przełomie XX i XXI wieku, Wydawnictwo Naukowe SCHOLAR, Warszawa 2007. Nowak S., System wartości społeczeństwa polskiego, [w:] Oswajanie wielkiej zmiany, I. Krzemiński, J. Raciborski, Wydawnictwo IFiS PAN, Warszawa 2007. Sadura P. i Sierakowski S., Społeczeństwo populistów, Wydawnictwo Krytyki Politycznej, Warszawa 2023. Świda-Ziemba H., Młodzież PRL. Portrety pokoleń w kontekście historii, Wydawnictwo Literackie, Warszawa, 2010. Wasilewski J. (ed.), Współczesne społeczeństwo polskie, Wydawnictwo Naukowe SCHOLAR, Warszawa 2006. Ziółkowski M., Teoria socjologiczna a transformacja społeczeństwa polskiego, Wydawnictwo Naukowe SCHOLAR, Warszawa 2015.
	eResources addresses	
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Why is the position of the Catholic Church in Poland so strong? What are the reasons that young people leave the Church and religion in contemporary Poland? What could be the future of the Catholic Church in Poland?	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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