University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	International Relations in Africa, PG_00147303		
Field of study	Diplomacy		
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025	Academic year of realisation of subject	2027/2028
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	3	Language of instruction	Polish
Semester of study	5	ECTS credits	2.0
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form	credit
Conducting unit			
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr Margot Stańczyk-Minkiewicz	
	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	30.0	60

Subject objectives

The purpose of the course is to familiarize students with the specifics of contemporary problems and challenges in the region of the African continent, with particular emphasis on relations between the countries of the continent and on a global scale.During the course, students will learn about the foreign policy of individual countries, both in economic, political and social aspects.

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
		[SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion
		[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
		[SW2] presentation/project/paper/ report
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		[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion
		[SU2] presentation/project/paper/ report
[DYPL3_K02] Is prepared to participate in public life and in teams implementing various social, political and civic projects at various levels of participation.		[SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion

Subject contents	1. introduction to the problems of the subject - discussion of the conditions for passing, the basic literature and methods of the classes carried out2. peculiarities of the African continent - political, economic and social outline of the continent3. political problems of African countries - wars and conflicts4. facade democracies in Africa 5. the fragility of African states - bankruptcy, dysfunctionality, vulnerability6. social problems of the African continent - Africa as the youngest continent of the globe7. economic situation of Africa - raw material curse of the continent's states8. pathologies of the ruling elite - corruption, nepotism, kleptocracy9. the African continent - African Lions 10. Global struggle for influence on the continent - China, India, USA, Russia, etc. 11. business prospects in Africa12. international relations between the countries of the continent13. international relations: Africa - Europe14. international relations: Africa - Asia15. international relations: Africa - USA - activity of world organizations.
Prerequisites and co-requisites	No Prerequisites
Assessment methods and criteria	

Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	51.0%	20.0%
	70.0%	15.0%
`	51.0%	50.0%
	51.0%	15.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	Historia Współczesnej Afryki, M. Meredith Prawa Człowieka w Afryce, G. Michałowska
	Supplementary literature	`
	eResources addresses	
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed		
Work placement	Not applicable	

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