

Subject card

Subject name and code	Geography of settlements - lecture, PG_00119868						
Field of study	Geography						
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 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		exam		
Conducting unit	Division of Socio-Economic Geography -> Institute of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management -> Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Magdalena Szmytkowska				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	30.0	0.0	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		10.0		20.0	60
Subject objectives	To know the basic concepts and concepts of settlement geographyTo understand the influence of historical, natural and socio-economic factors on the formation of settlement networksTo familiarise students with contemporary urbanisation processes and the main forms of urban settlementTo familiarise students with urban structures: spatial, functional, social and economicTo introduce the issues of local policy and its influence on the development of contemporary urban and rural areas.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[GEOGRL3-K01] to critically assess the level of one's knowledge, use it in professional activities and, in case of difficulties, to be assisted by the knowledge of experts	the student is ready to critically appraise the level of his/her knowledge, to use it in his/her professional activity and, in case of difficulties, to use the knowledge of experts, especially in the context of local and regional policy issues in urban and rural areas	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[GEOGRL3-U01] identify and analyze basic natural and socio-economic processes and phenomena and analyze their causes and course	the student is able to identify and analyse basic natural and socio-economic processes and phenomena and analyse their causes and course, with critical reference to the specific settlement pattern of a given area (at various spatial scales)	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[GEOGRL3-K03] work in a group and perform various roles in it, take care of the entrusted equipment and the safety of themselves and others	the student is able to co-operate in a group and take on various roles during conversation classes on topics related to contemporary urban and rural development processes	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK4] test/exam - oral or written [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[GEOGRL3-W08] at an advanced level methods and principles development of data on the natural and anthropogenic environment, and methods of their analysis and interpretation	the student knows and understands the diversity and socio-economic transformations taking place in the contemporary world, with particular emphasis on urbanizing and urbanized areas.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[GEOGRL3-U08] use scientific language and express themselves and discuss topics concerning geographic issues in Polish and in a foreign language	the student is able to use scientific language and to express him/herself and to discuss topics concerning geographical issues in relation to settlement issues and local politics	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[GEOGRL3-U03] use theoretical knowledge of geographic sciences and available sources of information to correctly interpret basic natural, social, economic and political processes	the student is able to use theoretical knowledge of settlement geography and available information to correctly interpret basic natural, social, economic and political processes and phenomena occurring in urban and rural areas, particularly in the scale of Poland and the Pomeranian regio	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[GEOGRL3-U06] apply methods and research tools of geographic sciences, including conducting observations and field measurements, and assess their suitability for the tasks in which the application objective of geography can be achieved	the student is able to apply research methods and tools in geographical sciences, including field observations and measurements, and to evaluate their usefulness in carrying out tasks related to different spheres of functioning of towns and rural areas	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[GEOGRL3-W04] to an advanced degree the social, economic and political differentiation of the world, as well as the social, economic and political characteristics of countries and regions, especially northern Poland and the Pomeranian Voivodeship, understands the socio-economic transformations taking place in the modern world	the student explains the social, economic and political characteristics of countries and regions and the specificity of the settlement network, especially northern Poland and the Pomorskie Voivodeship	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[GEOGRL3-U02] formulate and analyze basic problems concerning changes in physical and geographic conditions and the social, economic and political situation in local, regional and global scales	the student is able to formulate and analyse basic problems concerning the social, economic and political situation on a local, regional and global scale, including the specificity of urban and rural areas and the size of settlement areas	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written

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Subject contents	Geography of settlement and factors shaping settlement (natural, historical, economic, social) Historical development of human settlement forms Morphology and types of rural settlement Development and functions of cities Spatial and socio-spatial structures of cities Contemporary urbanisation processes in the world and in Poland Settlement networks and systems Processes of metropolisation Suburbanisation processes Selected issues of local and regional policy in the context of urban and rural areas								
Prerequisites and co-requisites									
Assessment methods and criteria	<table><tr><th>Subject passing criteria</th><th>Passing threshold</th><th>Percentage of the final grade</th></tr><tr><td>written exam: test with open questions</td><td>60.0%</td><td>100.0%</td></tr></table>	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade	written exam: test with open questions	60.0%	100.0%		
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Recommended reading	Basic literature	Krzysztofik R., 2014, Geneza aglomeracji miast na obszarze Polski, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Śląskiego, Katowice Liszewski S., Maik W., 2000, Wielka Encyklopedia Geografii Świata. Osadnictwo, Wydawnictwo Kurpisz, Poznań Liszewski S., 2012, Geografia urbanistyczna, Wyd. Nauk. PWN, Warszawa Szymańska D., 2013, Geografia osadnictwa, Wydanie II rozszerzone, Wyd. Nauk. PWN, Warszawa Węclawowicz G., 2018, Geografia społeczna Polski, Wyd. Nauk. PWN, Warszawa Zuzańska-Żyśko E., 2016, Procesy metropolizacji. Teoria i praktyka, Wyd. Nauk. PWN, Warszawa							

	Supplementary literature	Lackowska M., 2009, Zarządzanie obszarami metropolitalnymi w Polsce, Wyd. UW, Warszawa Majer A., 2014, Odrodzenie miast, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Łódzkiego, Łódź Sagan I., 2017, Miasto. Nowa kwestia i nowa polityka. Wydawnictwo Naukowe SCHOLAR, Warszawa Szmytkowska M., 2008, Przestrzeń społeczna miasta w okresie transformacji. Przypadek Gdyni. WN Scholar, Warszawa Szmytkowska M., 2017, Kreacje współczesnego miasta, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Gdańskiego, Gdańsk nowa polityka. Wydawnictwo Naukowe SCHOLAR, Warszawa
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed		
Work placement	Not applicable	

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