

Subject card

Subject name and code	Seminar I - WIDŁAK Tomasz , PG_00174603						
Field of study	Criminology and Criminal Justice						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2023		Academic year of realisation of subject		2025/2026		
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group		Optional subject group		
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	3		Language of instruction		English		
Semester of study	5		ECTS credits		7.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Department of the Theory and Philosophy of Law and State -> Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Tomasz Widlak				
	Teachers		dr hab. Tomasz Widlak				
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30.0	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		145.0	175
Subject objectives	The aim of the seminar is for the student to prepare and carry out a research paper under the scientific supervision of the professor and preparation for the writing of bachelor thesis. The subject of the seminar are penal-philosophical problems of law, in particular biomedical and bioethical problems of law, ethical problems of application of new technologies, social impact of law and basic theoretical and philosophical problems of law and morality.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[CCJL3_UW02] He/she can use his/her knowledge in the field of criminology and related scientific disciplines in order to formulate and interpret basic problems related to criminology, as well as the functioning of the national and international judiciary	is able to use knowledge of legal theory to formulate and interpret basic theoretical problems	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[CCJL3_KR04] He/she notices and formulates moral problems and ethical dilemmas related to his/her own and someone else's work, and looks for optimal solutions.	identifies and takes a position on so-called hard cases arising from conflicts of law and morals	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[CCJL3_UW05] He/she is able to use theoretical knowledge to solve typical problems related to criminology and the functioning of the national and international justice	is able to apply knowledge of legal theory to the practice of justice	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[CCJL3_KR05] He/she is aware of the existence of ethical dimension in the work of a criminologist, other work related to criminology and in institutions of the broadly understood justice system	recognises ethical dilemmas in the work of a criminologist	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[CCJL3_WK05] He/she knows the methods and tools, including techniques of obtaining data and information, appropriate in criminology and the related fields	Is familiar with the methods and tools, including data and information extraction techniques, of legal theory and philosophy	[SW3] text preparation/written work
	[CCJL3_UW01] He/she can observe and interpret correctly phenomena that appear in the area of etiology and phenomenology of crime, universal for various societies, analyzes their connections with various areas of criminology	Be able to observe and properly interpret phenomena emerging in the field of phenomenology of crime	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[CCJL3_KK01] He/she is aware of his/her level of knowledge and skills, as well as understands the need for lifelong learning.	understands the need to develop his/her theoretical competence in criminology throughout life	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[CCJL3_UU03] He/she is able to acquire knowledge independently, learn and develop his/her professional skills, using various sources (in the native and foreign language) and modern technologies	is able to use modern tools in searching for research material in the field of legal theory	[SU3] text preparation/written work
	[CCJL3_KK06] The graduate can participate in the preparation of social, civic, legal and economic projects related to the field of study.	is able to identify and theorise a selected criminological social problem with ethical implications	[SK3] text preparation/written work
	[CCJL3_KK07] He/she is aware of the need to expand competences and professional qualifications, as well as improves skills, is able to set the directions of his/her own development and education independently	is able to independently determine his/her own development directions, taking into account knowledge of legal philosophy and ethics	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[CCJL3_UW07] When solving tasks, he/she is able to make the right choice of information sources, in particular, he/she has the skills in the field of collecting literature and jurisprudence in various areas of legal sciences and the ability to make a critical analysis of the collected information	is able to make a basic selection of literature and research material in legal theory	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[CCJL3_UW06] He/she can use theoretical knowledge to see and analyze moral and legal dilemmas in professional work related to the functioning of the national and international justice	is able to apply knowledge of legal theory to the practice of international justice	[SU3] text preparation/written work

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	[CCJL3_KU02] The graduate is prepared to participate actively in groups, organizations and institutions related to broadly understood criminology and judiciary, and at the same time is able to communicate with people who are and are not specialists in criminology.	Is prepared to form his/her own opinions and take a position within group discussions	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[CCJL3_UW9] He/she can plan and organize individual work, can conduct simple empirical research independently	independently plans individual work on the dissertation	[SU3] text preparation/written work
	[CCJL3_KK03] The graduate prepares responsibly for his/her work, is able to define priorities at work and plan work properly.	Able to set priorities independently while working on a bachelor's degree	[SK3] text preparation/written work
	[CCJL3_UK8] He/she can, in a basic scope, formulate statements using specialized terminology characteristic of criminology and related disciplines, present opinions in this area and discuss them	is able to use philosophical and legal terminology	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[CCJL3_KO8] He/she is ready to take up professional challenges, takes the trouble and is characterized by persistence in the implementation of individual and team activities in the field of criminology and related sciences.	displays perseverance in the conduct of his/her own scientific work	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/report
Subject contents	1. Fundamental disputes in the philosophy of law 2. Basic theories in the philosophy of law 3. The concept of hard cases 4. Law and morality 5. Law and new technologies 6. Law and ethics of scientific research 7. Jurisprudence of virtues 8. Legal regulation in the field of biomedical law and bioethics. National and international regulations. 9. The human body anthropological and philosophical issues 10. Human rights and law: protection of life, freedom from torture, slavery 11. International crimes and other problems of contemporary international law 12. The use of AI tools in legal research 13. Methodology for creating a gloss, review, article. 14. Methodology of writing a thesis 15. Preparation for the defence of a thesis		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	short written form	51.0%	50.0%
	presentation	51.0%	50.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	T. Wiślak, Temida z charakterem. Filozoficznoprawny przewodnik po cnotach sędziowskich, Gdańsk 2025. T. Wiślak, Teoria i filozofia prawa międzynarodowego Hansa Kelsena, Gdańsk 2018. T. Wiślak, Fuller, Sopot 2016. T. Wiślak, Wspólnota międzynarodowa, Gdańsk 2012. J. Zajadło, Sędziowie i niewolnicy. Szkice z filozofii prawa, Wydawnictwo UG, Gdańsk 2017. J. Zajadło, Po co prawnikom filozofia prawa?, Wolters Kluwer, Warszawa 2008. J. Zajadło (red.) Leksykon teorii i filozofii prawa. 100 podstawowych pojęć, C. H. Beck, wyd. 2, Warszawa 2017. J. Zajadło, K. Zeidler (red.), Filozofia prawa w pytaniach i odpowiedziach, LexisNexis, Warszawa 2013. J. Zajadło (red.), Fascynujące ścieżki filozofii prawa, LexisNexis, Warszawa 2008.	

	Supplementary literature	1. Hart, H. L. A., <i>The Concept of Law</i>. 3rd ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012. 2. Dworkin, Ronald, <i>Laws Empire</i>. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1986. 3. Finnis, John, <i>Natural Law and Natural Rights</i>. 2nd ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011. 4. Kelsen, Hans, <i>Pure Theory of Law</i>. Trans. Max Knight. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1967. 5. Raz, Joseph, <i>The Authority of Law: Essays on Law and Morality</i>. 2nd ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009. 6. Fuller, Lon L., <i>The Morality of Law</i>. Rev. ed. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1969. 7. Shapiro, Scott J., <i>Legality</i>. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2011. 8. MacCormick, Neil, <i>Institutions of Law: An Essay in Legal Theory</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007. 9. Wacks, Raymond, <i>Understanding Jurisprudence: An Introduction to Legal Theory</i>. 6th ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2023. 10. Bix, Brian, <i>Jurisprudence: Theory and Context</i>. 9th ed. Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press, 2024. 11. Murphy, Jeffrie G., and Jules L. Coleman, <i>Philosophy of Law: An Introduction to Jurisprudence</i>. 2nd ed. New York: Routledge, 2019 (orig. 1990). 12. Schauer, Frederick, <i>The Force of Law</i>. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2015. 13. Waldron, Jeremy, <i>Law and Disagreement</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1999. 14. Coleman, Jules L., and Scott J. Shapiro (eds.), <i>The Oxford Handbook of Jurisprudence and Philosophy of Law</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2002. 15. Wacks, Raymond, <i>Philosophy of Law: A Very Short Introduction</i>. 3rd ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2022.
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed		
Work placement	Not applicable	

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