

Subject card

Subject name and code	Master's Seminar II, PG_00175262						
Field of study	Sociology						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2024		Academic year of realisation of subject		2025/2026		
Education level	Master's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study Optional subject group		
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		5.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Division of Sociological Theory and Social Research Methodology -> Institute of Sociology -> Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Dorota Rancew-Sikora				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	45.0	45
	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	45		2.0		78.0	125
Subject objectives	Students conduct empirical research for their master's thesis, study literature, and write fragments of the thesis devoted to the theoretical foundations and methodology of the thesis.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[SOCMU2_U05] The graduate is able to apply legal, professional and ethical norms and rules when solving tasks in the field of sociology in various areas of social life	When conducting research and writing a master's thesis, the students address important social issues, understand the consequences of their research, and do not exceed customary, moral, and legal norms when interacting with participants in the research process.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work
	[SOCMU2_W10] The graduate has in-depth knowledge and understanding of the basic notions and principles concerning the protection of industrial property and copyright, as well as the necessity of managing intellectual property resources	Students comply with all formal, legal, and ethical requirements when writing their theses. They refer to other texts and provide their sources.	[SW3] text preparation/written work
	[SOCMU2_U09] The graduate is able to prepare a written work in the field of sociology in Polish and foreign language, in accordance with the formal rules of a scientific text, making appropriate use of a selected theoretical perspective and research methods and drawing on the work of other disciplines in the field of social sciences	The student can prepare a master's thesis in sociology in Polish, fulfilling the formal rules of a scientific text, accurately using the selected theoretical perspective and research methods, and drawing on the achievements of other disciplines in the field of social sciences.	[SU3] text preparation/written work
	[SOCMU2_U07] The graduate is able to independently propose solutions to a specific problem in the field of sociology based on carrying out appropriate research procedures	Potrafi samodzielnie zaproponować rozwiązania dla konkretnego problemu z dziedziny socjologii w oparciu o przeprowadzenie odpowiednich procedur badawczych.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work
	[SOCMU2_U01] The graduate is able to interpret social phenomena and relations between them using sociological concepts and sociological imagination	The student can interpret social phenomena and their relations using concepts from sociology and sociological imagination.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work
	[SOCMU2_K06] The graduate is ready to independently and critically complement and improve the acquired knowledge and skills using various disciplines in the field of social sciences	The student is ready to supplement and improve the acquired knowledge and skills and critically use the literature from various disciplines in the social sciences.	[SK3] text preparation/written work [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[SOCMU2_K03] The graduate is ready to appropriately determine priorities in the implementation of a specific task	The student can determine priorities when writing a master's thesis adequately.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[SOCMU2_U03] The graduate is able to analyse the causes and course of social processes and phenomena, to formulate his/her own opinions on the subject, to formulate research hypotheses and to verify them using the methods of sociological research	The student can analyze the results of empirical research, discuss them with the literature, and draw conclusions in a scientific text style.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU5] implementation of a problem task [SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[SOCMU2_U10] The graduate is able to prepare and deliver an oral presentation in Polish and English on a chosen issue in the field of sociology making good use of a chosen theoretical perspective and research methods, and drawing on the achievements of other disciplines in the field of social sciences	During the seminar work and the diploma examination, students can present in an understandable way reports from the scientific literature regarding the subject of their research and discuss in detail the research procedure used, the results obtained and the conclusions of the master's thesis.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[SOCMU2_U02] The graduate is able to use theoretical knowledge from different streams of sociology and acquire data to analyse concrete social phenomena and processes and formulate own opinions about their character and course	The student can use theoretical knowledge in sociology and obtain data to analyze specific social phenomena and processes and formulate his own opinions on their nature and course.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work

Subject contents	Carrying out individual stages of conducting research, following the research questions, selected theoretical approach and research procedure.		
	Consulting the steps taken and tasks performed by the supervisor.		
	Presenting and discussing problems encountered while conducting research and writing work fragments at seminars with the group's participation.		
	Taking an active part in proposing solutions to research problems and discussing fragments of theses written by other participants of the master's seminar.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	The student has advanced to the third semester of their studies, accumulated knowledge during their first year of study, and gained experience during their bachelor's degree.		
	The student chose the thesis topic, asked research questions and prepared an outline of her master's thesis.		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	active participation	70.0%	20.0%
	submitting fragments of the text to be checked by the supervisor	50.0%	40.0%
	conducting empirical research	60.0%	40.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	1. Angrosino M. 2007. Doing Ethnographic and Observational Research. SAGE 2. Creswell J.W. 2014. Research Design: Qualitative, Quantitative, and Mixed Methods Approaches. SAGE 3. Flick U. 2007. Managing Quality in Qualitative Research. SAGE 4. Flick U. 2018. An Introduction to Qualitative Research. SAGE 5. Hammersley M., Atkinson P. 2019. Ethnography Principles in Practice. Routledge. 6. Lofland J., Snow D.A., Anderson L, Lofland L.H. 2005. Analyzing Social Settings: A Guide to Qualitative Observation and Analysis. Wadsworth Publishing, Belmont. 7. Frankfort-Nachmias C., Nachmias D. 2008. Research Methods in the Social Sciences. New York: Worth. 8. Yin R.K. 2017. Case Study Research and Applications: Design and Methods. SAGE	
	Supplementary literature	1. R. Collins. 2005. Interaction Ritual Chains. Princeton Univ. Press. 2. E. Goffman. 1959. The Presentation of Self in Everyday Life. Doubleday: Garden City, New York. 3. E. Goffman. 1967. Interaction Ritual. Pantheon: New York. 4. H. Turner, J. E. Stets. 2005. The Sociology of Emotions. Cambridge Univ. Press. 5. A. Giddens. 2021. Sociology. Polity Press. 6. J. Sidnell. 2010. Conversation analysis. Wiley-Blackwell.	
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Constructing a research sample		
	Detailed description of the research methodology and procedure		
	Conducting and transcribing interviews or preparing and developing a corpus of existing data.		
	Preliminary analysis of collected empirical materials		
	Writing fragments of the theoretical part of the work		
	Describing the ethical requirements related to the research being conducted		
Work placement	Not applicable		

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