

Subject card

Subject name and code	Psychosocial determinants of homelessness, PG_00152062						
Field of study	Social Work						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2026/2027		
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study		
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		e-learning		
Year of study	2		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	4		ECTS credits		2.0		
Learning profile	practical		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Division of Social Pedagogy -> Institute of Education -> Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Małgorzata Szpunar				
	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: 30.0						
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		20.0	50
Subject objectives	Familiarization with the issue of homelessness and showing the advantages and disadvantages of the system of support for socially excluded people in the Pomeranian Voivodeship, showing the mechanisms of functioning of public organizations as well as non-governmental organizations in the field of combating the problem of homelessness in the Pomeranian Voivodeship and in Poland						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[PRACSOCL3_U04] is able to to forecast practical effects of selected social processes and phenomena (cultural, political, economic) using standardized methods and tools, specific for the fields of science and scientific disciplines, characteristic for social work	The student is able to assess the readiness of homeless people to get out of homelessness b. The student recognizes the motives or reasons for becoming homeless c. The student skillfully classifies homeless people into types and definitions.	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[PRACSOCL3_U08] is able to to skilfully analyse social phenomena	The student classifies forms of support for the homeless and those at risk of homelessness. b. The student is able to animate work with homeless people and those at risk of homelessness c. The student is able to plan a solution to the problem of homelessness taking into account the 3 pillars of the homeless assistance system: prevention, intervention, integration	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[PRACSOCL3_W02] will gain and understanding typical types of social structures and institutions (cultural, political, legal, economic), in particular their basic elements	The student has basic knowledge of the issues of homelessness, its social and psychological determinants; The student knows and can characterize the system of support for the homeless and those at risk of homelessness; The student knows the possibilities of helping people excluded from housing with the use of social work tools and methods.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[PRACSOCL3_K04] Is ready to identify and resolve dilemmas related to the social work profession	The student is sensitive to the problem of homelessness and other social problems accompanying housing exclusion. b. When diagnosing the environment, the student is cautious in the stigmatizing perception of the phenomenon of homelessness c. The student cares about overcoming the negative image of homeless people and the whole problem of homelessness.	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[PRACSOCL3_U03] is able to correctly analyse causes and course of selected social processes and phenomena (cultural, political, legal, economic) specific for fields of science and scientific disciplines, relevant for social work	He/she is able to properly diagnose the causes of homelessness and analyse exclusion policies (including housing) and select appropriate remedies towards homelessness prevention	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
Subject contents	The most important definitions and typologies in the field of homelessness. Homelessness in a film documentary presentation of films in the field of homelessness. Standards of working with the homeless: streetworking, social work, education, assistance, housing. Health and work of the homeless. NGOs for Ending Homelessness. Getting out of homelessness utopia or reality, indicators, measurement. Prevention, intervention and integration - analysis of the support system for the homeless in Poland. Activities carried out with people at risk of homelessness the example of the municipality of Gdynia. Streetworking, assisting innovative methods of social work with the homeless		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	basic knowledge of forms and tools of social work basic knowledge of social exclusion and marginalized groups		

Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
		51.0%	50.0%
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Recommended reading	Basic literature	Czapiński J., Panek T., Social Diagnosis 2007. Conditions and quality of life of Poles, University of Finance and Management in Warsaw, Warsaw 2007. Dębska-Cenian A., Olech P., From the Street to Life Independence. Standards of social and professional (re)integration in six spheres. Gdańsk 2007 Dębski M., P. Olech, Sociodemographic Portrait of the Homeless People in the Pomeranian Voivodeship, Pomost. Self-Help Magazine, Gdańsk 2005. Dębski M., Stachura K., Faces of Homelessness, Gdańsk 2008 Oliwa-Ciesielska M., The Stigma of Non-Attribution. A Study on the Social Isolation of the Homeless, Adam Mickiewicz University Publishing House, Poznań 2004. Piekut-Brodzka D.M., Homelessness. Warsaw 2006, Przymerński A., Homelessness socio-economic determinants of the phenomenon on the example of Poznań, Social Work 1997 No. 3. Stankiewicz L., Understanding Homelessness, University of Warmia and Mazury Press, Olsztyn 2002. Śledzianowski J., Health of the Homeless, Kielce 2006.	
	Supplementary literature	Magazines Pomost indicated "on an ongoing basis" by the host of articles available on-line	
	eResources addresses		
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Analysis of research for people in homelessness crisis. Innovations in the field of support for people in the homelessness crisis. Homelessness prevention.		
Work placement	Not applicable		

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