University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Sociology of Ethnicity, PG_00176626						
Field of study	Sociology						
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 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	2		Language of instruction	Polish			
Semester of study	3		ECTS credits	2.0			
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form	credit			
Conducting unit	Division of Social Anthropology -> Institute of Sociology -> Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Monika Mazurek-Janasik, prof. UG				
	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		0.0	20.0		50
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to familiarize students with the theoretical foundations of the sociology of ethnicity, the theory of ethnic movements, and the theory of migration. In addition, familiarization with the ethnic diversity of Poland and Europe (and in the basic dimension also of the world), with the legal basis for the protection of minorities and the specificity of ethnic and nation-building processes, with particular emphasis on Polish and Europe.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[SOCL3_K05] The graduate is ready to participate in the preparation of social projects taking into account relevant legal, economic and political aspects	Is willing to participate in the preparation of social projects that take into account the rights of ethnic and national minorities.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion
	[SOCL3_W04] The graduate knows and understands in an advanced way the types of informal and formal social bonds that arise in different types of groups, social networks and societies, and with the regularities governing their change.	He or she has an advanced knowledge and understanding of the types of informal and formalised social ties emerging in different types of groups, social networks and societies and the regularities governing their change in the context of national and ethnic minorities.	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
	[SOCL3_W03] The graduate knows and understands in an advanced way the relationships between the relationship between micro and macro social structures and institutions, on a national and international scale in the fields of private life, work, politics, civil society, etc	He/she knows and understands from the point of view of national/ ethnic minorities in an advanced way the relations between micro and macro social structures and institutions, nationally and internationally in the fields of private life, work, politics, civil society and others.	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion
	[SOCL3_U08] The graduate is able to analyse current social phenomena in the context of knowledge about the mechanisms of human activity, the impact of a group on an individual and the processes of change that Polish society, European society and that of the world undergoes	Can analyse current social phenomena in the context of knowledge of national and ethnic minorities.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion
	[SOCL3_K01] The graduate is ready to lifelong learning	He is sensitive to the needs of national and ethnic minorities.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion
	[SOCL3_U07] The graduate is able to analyse proposed solutions to a specific problem in sociology and decide on appropriate solutions	Be able to analyse proposed solutions to a specific problem in the sociology of ethnicity.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion

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What is ethnicity?

- Selected theories of ethnicity
- Multiculturalism and ethnicity

Ethnic identity

- Essence and indicators
- Individual and collective identity
- Ethnic conversion

Nation and nation-building processes

- Definition of a nation; selected theories of the nation
- Nation vs. ethnic group
- State and nation
- Nationalism and the national movement
- Ethnic borderlands and the specificity of ethnic processes
- Differences in nation-building processes in Western Europe and Central and Eastern Europe

Ethnicity and the sources of conflict

- Ethnocentrism
- Ethnic stereotypes and prejudices
- Ethnic conflicts
- Discrimination
- Ethnic stereotypes

Minorities and their protection

- The theory of minorities
- The status and legal protection of minorities in Poland
- Legal and constitutional protection of minorities in Poland, including language rights (with particular emphasis on the *Act on National and Ethnic Minorities and on the Regional Language*)
- International law (*Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities*; *European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages*)

Language policy

- What is language policy?
- Recognition and protection of minority languages and the regional language
- Minority languages and the regional language in the public sphere (media, education, the Church, public administration, etc.)
- Language strategies of minority groups
- Practical implementation of language policy in local and regional communities (the example of the Pomeranian Voivodeship)

The ethnic and linguistic structure of Europe and Poland

Selected ethnic and national minorities in Europe

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<tr><td>Prerequisites and co-requisites</td><td>Promotion to the third semester of studies.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Assessment methods and criteria</td><td>

Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	51.0%	100.0%

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<tr><td rowspan="3">Recommended reading</td><td>

Basic literature	The subject is conducted in Polish.
Supplementary literature	The subject is conducted in Polish.
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<tr><td>Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Work placement</td><td>Not applicable</td></tr>
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