

Subject card

Subject name and code	The sociology of travel, PG_00176682						
Field of study	Sociology						
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 Optional subject group 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		1.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Institute of Sociology -> Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Agata Bachórz				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	0.0	15.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15
	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	15		0.0		10.0	25
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to deepen and expand knowledge of the sociology of travel by examining it through various travel models and specific locations - tourist destinations. The course also aims to highlight the connections between theoretical knowledge about leisure mobility and its application in public policies. The classes will also emphasize social exploration of desirable tourism models. The classes will also emphasize social exploration of sustainable tourism models.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[SOCL3_U02] The graduate is able to use theoretical knowledge from different streams of sociology and acquire data to analyse specific social processes and phenomena	The student is able to combine data sources on tourism with theoretical knowledge to diagnose, seek solutions, and model social behaviors.	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU5] implementation of a problem task
	[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	The student is able to conduct basic analyses of individual and group patterns of tourist mobility. The student is able to conduct basic analyses of situations in tourist destinations.	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU5] implementation of a problem task
	[SOCL3_W05] The graduate has advanced knowledge of man as a subject constituting social structures and the rules of their functioning, as well as acting in these structures and participating in cultural practices in the local, regional environment, the area of national culture and global exchange	The student has knowledge about patterns of leisure mobility. The student understands the non-individual determinants of this mobility and is aware of its collective consequences.	[SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report [SW3] text preparation/written work [SW5] implementation of a problem task
	[SOCL3_U07] The graduate is able to analyse proposed solutions to a specific problem in sociology and decide on appropriate solutions	The student is able to diagnose the impacts of tourism on communities using sociological tools.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU5] implementation of a problem task
	[SOCL3_K06] The graduate is ready to supplement and refine the acquired knowledge and skills	The student is ready to explore data beyond the canon of sociological knowledge on travel practices.	[SK3] text preparation/written work [SK5] implementation of a problem task
	[SOCL3_K02] The graduate is ready to cooperate effectively and assume various roles in a group	The student is ready to work in a team to diagnose and solve problems related to the impact of tourism on local communities.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[SOCL3_W08] The graduate knows and understands in an advanced way the character and directions of the most significant changes in the scope of social structures and institutions and their elements, he/she has knowledge about the causes, course and consequences of these changes on a micro- and macro-social scale and on a global scale	The student understands the transformations of travel models in the 20th and 21st centuries, knows the consequences of these changes, and understands the sociological reflection on them.	[SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report [SW3] text preparation/written work [SW5] implementation of a problem task
Subject contents	Power relations embedded in tourism Tourism as a tool for empowerment? Tourism in places of "dissonant heritage" Locality, local guides, and micro-adventures Public policies in the field of tourism Towards sustainable tourism?		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	Basic knowledge in the fields of sociology of culture and cultural anthropology.		

Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Written work based on individual project	51.0%	70.0%
	Participation in classes and completion of partial tasks	80.0%	30.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	1. Banaszkiewicz M., Turystyka w miejscach kłopotliwego dziedzictwa [Tourism in Sites of Dissonant Heritage], Kraków 2018 (excerpts). 2. Bloch N., Encounters across Difference. Tourism and Overcoming Subalternity in India, Lexington Books 2021 (excerpts). 3. Gutowska A., Going beyond poverty tourism? The narratives of Kibera residents and their meanings constructed within the frame of slum tours, Folia Turistica 37, 2015. 4. Michałowski L., Klimat nostalgii gdańskich dzielnic, czyli lokalnych przewodniczek praca z pamięcią [The Climate of Nostalgia in Gdańsk Districts: Local Guides' Memory Work], Miscellanea Anthropologica Et Sociologica, 21, 2020.	
	Supplementary literature	1. Higgins-Desbiolles F., S. Carnicelli, Ch.Krolkowski, G.Wijesinghe, & K.Boluk, Degrowing tourism: Rethinking tourism. Journal of Sustainable Tourism, 27(12), 2019. 2. Robiński, A., Hajstry: krajobraz bocznych dróg [Hajstry: The Landscape of Side Roads], Wołowiec 2017. 3. Volgger, M., The end of tourism through localhood and overtourism?. In: Pechlaner, H. (eds) Destination und Lebensraum. Entrepreneurial Management und Standortentwicklung. Springer Gabler, Wiesbaden 2019.	
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	Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed		
Work placement	Not applicable		

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