

Subject card

Subject name and code	WPiA - The language of law and the language of religion - about a common etymology and current image (icons of law), PG_00179151						
Field of study	History						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2025/2026		
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group				
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		e-learning		
Year of study	1		Language of instruction		Polish Polish		
Semester of study	2		ECTS credits		2.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Dorota Maśniak				
	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: 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	The aim of the course is to analyze the similarities and connections between the language of law and the language of religion, with particular focus on their common etymology and the images and symbols that characterize them. The course aims to understand how these two languages have developed over time and how they influence contemporary interpretations of norms and values. Participants will gain knowledge about the iconography and metaphors used in both fields, allowing for deeper reflection on their role in society.						
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome		Method of verification		
			the student will be able to identify and describe the shared etymological roots of the language of law and religion, as well as analyze their symbolic images and metaphors. The acquired knowledge will enable them to critically understand the influence of these languages on shaping social norms and cultural values. Additionally, the student will be able to interpret iconography and images related to these fields and utilize them in the analysis of legal and religious texts and expressions.		[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/ report [SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/ report [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU4] test/exam - oral or written [SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SK2] presentation/project/paper/ report [SK3] text preparation/written work [SK4] test/exam - oral or written		
Subject contents	1. Introduction to the language of law and religion: definitions and basic concepts 2. Etymology and shared roots of the language of law and religion 3. Symbols and icons in the language of law images of norms and sanctions 4. Symbols and icons in the language of religion images of faith, morality, and rituals 5. Metaphors and images in the language of law constructions and their meanings 6. Metaphors and images in the language of religion interpretations and functions 7. The influence of religious language on shaping legal norms in civil and financial law area 8. The influence of legal language on shaping religious and moral images 9. Examples of shared symbols and metaphors in religious and legal texts (in field of civil and financial law) 10. Contemporary challenges and opportunities in comparative analysis of the language of law and religion						

Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	written exam	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	Pieńkos J., Podstawy jurslingwistyki: język w prawie prawo w języku, Warszawa 1999. Wilińska M. Wada oświadczenia woli jako metafora w akcie normatywnym, "Studia Iuridica" nr 83/2020, ss. 250261. Reza A., Bóg. Ludzka historia religii, Kraków 2021.	
	Supplementary literature	no	
	eResources addresses		
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	no		
Work placement	Not applicable		

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