

Subject card

Subject name and code	Social consequences of climate and environmental change - auditorium classes, PG_00149061						
Field of study	Sociology						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject		2027/2028		
Education level	Master'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	2		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	3		ECTS credits		1.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit							
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Piotr Pawliszak				
	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		2.0		8.0	25
Subject objectives	Students will consider one by one the consequences of climate and environmental change in different places and spheres of life, learning about, researching and discussing possible risks and solutions. They will learn the perspectives and tools of environmental sociology.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[SOCMU2_U13] The graduate understands the need for lifelong learning, is able to inspire and organise the learning process of others	She/He understands that socio-ecological changes are continuous, hence the need for lifelong learning, both at the individual and collective level.	[SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[SOCMU2_W09] The graduate has in-depth knowledge and understanding of various views on social life, and selected social structures and institutions expressed in the everyday world, public and scientific discourse, knows the directions of their historical evolution and the dynamics and consequences of conflicts on this background	Knows and understands in an in-depth manner various views on social life, and selected social structures and institutions expressed in the popular world, public and scientific discourse, knows the directions of their historical evolution and the dynamics and consequences of conflicts on this background.	[SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[SOCMU2_U08] The graduate is able to analyse and understand many current social phenomena in the context of knowledge about the mechanisms of human activity, the impact of a group on an individual, the processes of change in Polish, European and world society, and is able to relate his/her understanding of these phenomena to theoretical explanations and results of social research	He is able to analyze and understand a number of current social phenomena in the context of knowledge about the mechanisms of human action, the impact of the group on the individual, the processes of change in Polish society, Europe and the world, he is able to relate his understanding of these phenomena to theoretical explanations and the results of social research.	[SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[SOCMU2_W08] The graduate has in-depth knowledge and understanding of multidirectional changes in the range of various social structures and institutions and their elements, has knowledge about the causes, course and consequences of these changes in the micro- and macrosocial scale and in the global scale	Knows and understands in depth the nature of multidirectional changes in the field of various social structures and institutions and their elements, has an in-depth knowledge of the causes, course and consequences of these changes at the micro- and macro-social scale and at the global scale.	[SW2] 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	He/she is able to use theoretical knowledge from various streams of sociology and acquire data to analyze specific social phenomena and processes and formulate his own opinions on their nature and course.	[SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
Subject contents	What is global warming and how do we know about it? What environmental and natural changes are associated with climate change? What social consequences of environmental and climate change have already occurred and what are likely to occur? Visibility, pace, nature of change. Global, international, national, regional, local and individual scales of social change and their interrelationships. Forms of adaptive social responses to global responses (political, economic, social action, migration, search for private security, psychological consequences of environmental change, cultural transformation). Climate change denial (scale, level, history, explanations, environmental and social consequences). Future prospects (role of environmental sociology in strengthening the adaptive social response to global warming).		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	Advancement to the second year of study, general knowledge of the modern world, knowledge of a sociological concept of risk.		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Colloquium	51.0%	50.0%
	Active and substantive participation in discussions and other activities	51.0%	50.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	Budziszewska M., Kardaś A., Bohdanowicz Z. (red.), Klimatyczne ABC, Wyd. UW, Warszawa 2021 E. Bińczyk. Epoka człowieka. Warszawa 2018 H. Welzer. Wojny klimatyczne. Warszawa 2010 M. Popkiewicz, Sz. Malinowski, A. Kardaś. Nauka o klimacie. Katowice 2018
	Supplementary literature	Al. Gore. Prawda nadal niewygodna. Katowice 2018. N. Klein. To zmienia wszystko. Kapitalizm kontra klimat. Warszawa 2016 E. Kolbert. Szóste wymieranie. Warszawa 2016 Z.W. Kundzewicz. Ciepleszy świat. Warszawa 2013 M. Maslin. Zmiany klimatu. Łódź 2018 Raporty IPCC
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed		
Work placement	Not applicable	

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