

Subject card

Subject name and code	Geography of Settlements - lecture, PG_00193878						
Field of study	Geography						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject		2028/2029		
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	3		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	5		ECTS credits		2.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Division of Socio-Economic Geography -> Institute of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management - > Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Magdalena Szmytkowska				
	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		1.0		19.0	50
Subject objectives	To know the basic concepts and concepts of settlement geographyTo understand the influence of historical, natural and socio-economic factors on the formation of settlement networksTo familiarise students with contemporary urbanisation processes and the main forms of urban settlementTo familiarise students with urban structures: spatial, functional, social and economicTo introduce the issues of local policy and its influence on the development of contemporary urban and rural areas.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[GEOGRL3-U01] can identify and analyze basic natural and socio-economic processes and phenomena, analyze their causes and course, and formulate and discuss basic issues concerning physical-geographical conditions and the social, economic, and political situation and their changes on various spatial scales	the student is able to identify and analyze basic natural and socio-economic processes and phenomena and analyze their causes and course with critical reference to the specific settlement characteristics of a given area (at various spatial scales)	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[GEOGRL3-U05] can use scientific language and express opinions and discuss topics related to geography in Polish and a foreign language	the student is able to use scientific language and express and discuss topics related to geographical issues in relation to settlement issues and local politics	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[GEOGRL3-U04] can apply field and laboratory methods and research tools, spatial analysis methods, and methods of presenting research results in the field of geography, assess their usefulness for tasks in which the application goal of geography can be realized	the student is able to use research methods and tools in the field of geographical sciences, including conducting field observations and measurements, and assess their suitability for carrying out tasks related to various spheres of functioning of cities and rural areas	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[GEOGRL3-U02] can use theoretical knowledge in the field of geography and available sources of information to correctly interpret basic natural, social, economic, and political processes and phenomena	322 / 5 000 the student is able to use theoretical knowledge in the field of settlement geography and available information to correctly interpret the basic natural, social, economic and political processes and phenomena occurring in urban and rural areas, especially in Poland and the Pomeranian region	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[GEOGRL3-K01] is prepared to critically assess the level of one's knowledge, use it in professional activities and, in case of difficulties, to be assisted by the knowledge of experts	the student is ready to critically assess the level of his/her knowledge, use it in professional activities and, in case of difficulties, seek support from experts, especially in the context of local and regional policy issues in urban and rural areas	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[GEOGRL3-W03] knows and understands on advanced level social, economic, and political diversity in the world, as well as the social, economic, and political characteristics of countries and regions, especially northern Poland and the Pomeranian Province; understanding of socio-economic changes taking place in the modern world	the student explains the social, economic and political characteristics of countries and regions as well as the specificity of the settlement network, especially in northern Poland and the Pomeranian Voivodeship	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[GEOGRL3-W06] knows advanced methods of acquiring, processing, and compiling geographic environmental data, as well as methods of analyzing and interpreting such data	the student is able to use research methods and tools in the field of geographical sciences, including conducting field observations and measurements, and assess their suitability for carrying out tasks related to various spheres of functioning of cities and rural areas	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written

Subject contents	Geography of settlement and factors shaping settlement (natural, historical, economic, social) Historical development of human settlement forms Morphology and types of rural settlement Development and functions of cities Spatial and socio-spatial structures of cities Contemporary urbanisation processes in the world and in Poland Settlement networks and systems Processes of metropolisation Suburbanisation processes Selected issues of local and regional policy in the context of urban and rural areas		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	written exam: test with open questions	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	Krzysztofik R., 2014, Geneza aglomeracji miast na obszarze Polski, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Śląskiego, Katowice Liszewski S., Maik W., 2000, Wielka Encyklopedia Geografii Świata. Osadnictwo, Wydawnictwo Kurpisz, Poznań Liszewski S., 2012, Geografia urbanistyczna, Wyd. Nauk. PWN, Warszawa Szymańska D., 2013, Geografia osadnictwa, Wydanie II rozszerzone, Wyd. Nauk. PWN, Warszawa Węclawowicz G., 2018, Geografia społeczna Polski, Wyd. Nauk. PWN, Warszawa Zuzańska-Żyśko E., 2016, Procesy metropolizacji. Teoria i praktyka, Wyd. Nauk. PWN, Warszawa	

	Supplementary literature	Lackowska M., 2009, Zarządzanie obszarami metropolitalnymi w Polsce, Wyd. UW, Warszawa Majer A., 2014, Odrodzenie miast, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Łódzkiego, Łódź Sagan I., 2017, Miasto. Nowa kwestia i nowa polityka. Wydawnictwo Naukowe SCHOLAR, Warszawa Szmytkowska M., 2008, Przestrzeń społeczna miasta w okresie transformacji. Przypadek Gdyni. WN Scholar, Warszawa Szmytkowska M., 2017, Kreacje współczesnego miasta, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Gdańskiego, Gdańsk nowa polityka. Wydawnictwo Naukowe SCHOLAR, Warszawa
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed		
Work placement	Not applicable	

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