

Subject card

Subject name and code	Prehistory of Polish Lands, PG_00205534						
Field of study	History						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject		2026/2027		
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study		
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	1		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	1		ECTS credits		2.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Faculty of History -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		prof. dr hab. Witold Świątosławski				
	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		2.0		18.0	50
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to familiarize the student with the basic problems of the prehistory of Polish lands.						
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome		Method of verification		
	[HISTL3_W05] He has an advanced understanding of the body of historical scholarship and the diversity of perspectives, and is aware of the existence of differing viewpoints within historical and related disciplines, shaped by varying national and cultural backgrounds		Has basic knowledge of the achievements of historiography in relation to the prehistory of Polish lands and is aware of the existence of different points of view among researchers		[SW4] test/exam - oral or written		
	[HISTL3_W02] Has advanced, chronologically and thematically ordered knowledge of the history of ancient and modern Polish lands		Has advanced, chronologically and thematically organized knowledge about the prehistory of Polish lands		[SW4] test/exam - oral or written		
	[HISTL3_K01] Critically evaluates his/her knowledge, demonstrates a willingness to continually expand his/her knowledge and to seek expert advice if he/she has difficulty solving a problem on his/her own		Critically evaluates the knowledge acquired, shows readiness to constantly expand it and seek the opinion of experts in the event of difficulties in independently solving a problem in the field of the prehistory of Polish lands		[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion		

Subject contents	Presentation of basic issues concerning the prehistory of the lands of present-day Poland in the European context:		
	Introduction I: basic concepts, terms and methods of researching the distant past.		
	Introduction II: main research directions in contemporary archaeology.		
	Introduction II: basic dating methods periodisation of prehistory.		
	Anthropogenesis.		
	Lower and Middle Palaeolithic the beginnings of human civilisation.		
	Late Palaeolithic: the phenomenon of Palaeolithic art.		
	Mesolithic: the end of the world of hunters and gatherers.		
	The Neolithic Revolution: the beginning of the Neolithic period great success or expulsion from Paradise?		
	Eneolithic: intensification of world development.		
	The Bronze Age: from diversity to cultural uniformity.		
	The Hallstatt period: the beginning of the Iron Age.		
	The La Tène period: Celtic domination in barbarian Europe.		
	The Roman period: the Przeworsk and Wielbark cultures.		
	The Roman period: traces of contact with the Roman Empire.		
	The Migration Period: the twilight of the ancient world.		
	The dawn of the Middle Ages: the great expansion of the Slavs.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Exam	50.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	Kozłowski K. J., Kaczanowski P., Wielka historia Polski, t. 1, Najdawniejsze dzieje ziem polskich (do VII w.), Kraków 1998	
	Supplementary literature	Hensel W., Polska starożytna, Wrocław 1980. Jażdżewski K., Pradzieje Europy Środkowej, Wrocław 1981.	
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed			
Work placement	Not applicable		

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