

Subject card

Subject name and code	The Geography and History of the European Union, PG_00210086						
Field of study	Biology						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2024		Academic year of realisation of subject				
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group			Obligatory subject group in the field of study Optional subject group	
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery			e-learning	
Year of study	3		Language of instruction			Polish Polish language	
Semester of study	6		ECTS credits			2.0	
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form			credit	
Conducting unit	Rada Uczelni						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Oleksandr Radchenko				
	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	Understanding the processes of international integration in Europe, and gaining an insight into the physical, geographical, historical and socio-economic factors underlying the development of EU Member States. During the course, students will be introduced to the history of integration processes in Europe, the core European values, the areas of activity and institutional principles of the European Communities and the European Union, as well as the achievements and setbacks in the most significant areas of integration.						
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome			Method of verification	
			shows initiative and independence in thought and action, answers the questions asked, discusses the given topic, and formulates their own views on the processes of international integration in Europe			[SU4] test/exam - oral or written	
			It explains the fundamental mechanisms underlying the processes of international integration in Europe			[SK4] test/exam - oral or written	
			Wyjaśnia podstawowe mechanizmy procesów integracji międzynarodowej w Europie			[SW4] test/exam - oral or written	

Subject contents	1. The background and origins of the European integration process. 2. The values of the European Union. 3. The institutions of the European Union: the Council of the European Union, the European Parliament, the European Council, the European Commission, the Court of Justice of the European Union, the Court of Auditors, and the European Central Bank. 4. Bodies of the European Union: the European Ombudsman, the European Investment Bank, the European Stability Mechanism, the European Investment Fund, the Committee of Permanent Representatives (COREPER), the European Economic and Social Committee, the European Committee of the Regions, and the European University Institute. 5. European Union agencies: functions, structure, management, and main activities. 6. The progress of integration in individual European Union Member States.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	has a basic knowledge of 20th-century history and the political and economic changes at the turn of the 20th and 21st centuries; understands the interdependencies within the 'human-economy-environment' system; and is able to analyse causes and effects, and to select and evaluate sources of information		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	test	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	1. Mazur, G., & Musiałkowska, I. (Eds.). (2025). The European Union 2024+. Difin. 2. Małuszyńska, E., & Gruchman, B. (Eds.). (2018). A Compendium of Knowledge on the European Union (5th ed.). PWN Scientific Publishers. 3. Barbarska, O., & Milczarek, D. (2013). An Outline of the History of European Integration. European Centre, University of Warsaw. 4. Barcz, J., Górka, M., & Wyrozumska, A. (2023). Institutions and Law of the European Union: A Textbook for Law, Management and Administration Courses (7th ed.). Wolters Kluwer. 5. Zawidzka-Łojek, A., & Łazowski, A. (Eds.). (2022). A New Textbook on European Union Law: Institutions and Legal Order, Substantive Law. EuroPrawo Publishing Institute. 6. Krzysztofik, E. (Ed.). (2023). An Introduction to the Sources of European Union Law. Higher School of the Judiciary. 7. Kuźniar, R. (Ed.). (2021). I am a citizen of the European Union. Scholar Academic Publishing House. 8. Miąsik, D. (Ed.). (2022). Fundamental Principles and Rights (The European Union Legal System, Vol. 2). C.H. Beck.	
	Supplementary literature	1. Kenig-Witkowska, M. M., Łazowski, A., & Ostrihansky, R. (2019). Institutional Law of the European Union (8th ed.). C.H. Beck. 2. Grzeszczak, R., & Barcik, J. (2025). European Union Law with Online Tests (2nd ed.). C.H. Beck. 3. Kornobis-Romanowska, D., & Grzeszczak, R. (Eds.). (2023). Treaty on European Union. Commentary. Wolters Kluwer. 4. Biernat, S. (Ed.). (2020). Foundations and Sources of European Union Law (The European Union Legal System, Vol. 1). C.H. Beck. 5. Sozański, J. (2012). General Principles of Law and the Values of the European Union after the Treaty of Lisbon: A Comparative Legal Study. Adam Marszałek Publishing House. 6. Barcz, J., Kawecka-Wyrzykowska, E., & Michałowska-Gorywoda, K. (2012). European integration in the light of the Treaty of Lisbon: Economic aspects. Polskie Wydawnictwo Ekonomiczne. 7. Błaszczak, B., Golinowska, S., & Kowalski, P. (Eds.). (2019). Our Europe: 15 Years of Poland in the European Union. CASE – Centre for Social and Economic Research. 8. Okuniew, I. J. (2021). Political Geography. Polish Geopolitical Society. 9. Barcz, J. (Ed.). (2021). Judicial Cooperation in Civil and Criminal Matters and Police Cooperation (The European Union Legal System, Vol. 8). C.H. Beck.	
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Question: What are the axiological foundations of the European Union? Answer: The axiological foundations of the European Union are, first and foremost: human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law and human rights Question: Which institution was established by the 1951 Treaty of Paris? Answer: The 1951 Treaty of Paris established the European Coal and Steel Community.
Work placement	Not applicable

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