University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Global Politics 2 - International Relations, Social Movements, Political Extremism and Migrations in Contemporary World, PG_00207009		
Field of study	Global Studies		
Date of commencement of studies	October 2027	Academic year of realisation of subject	2027/2028
Education level	Master'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	1	Language of instruction	English
Semester of study	2	ECTS credits	5.0
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form	credit
Conducting unit			
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr hab. Wojciech Grabowski	
	Teachers		

Lesson types

Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
Number of study hours	60.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	60

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	60	10.0	55.0	125

Subject objectives

The aim of the course is to introduce students to the theoretical assumptions and the practical dimension of the main theories of international relations; to reflect on elites, violence and migrations in the modern world

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
[GSMU2_W04] knows in depth the mechanisms, interdependencies, and trends in the functioning of actors in international relations	is able to list, analyze and evaluate trends in the context of the issues being learned	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/ report
[GSMU2_W06] has in-depth knowledge of policies and issues related to security	knows the threats related to contemporary trends considered from the perspective of global impacts	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/ report
[GSMU2_W11] has in-depth knowledge of the mechanisms of functioning, integration, and disintegration of international organizations, including the accompanying cultural, social, economic, legal, and ethical conditions	knows how organizations function, what are the basic trends and ideas present in international relations	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/ report
[GSMU2_W13] has in-depth knowledge of theoretical and practical issues affecting the relations and actions of states and international organizations	knows the leading theories of international relations, political science and their subdisciplines, knows the existing relationships, dependencies and their consequences in the context of the acquired issues	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/ report
[GSMU2_K01] is prepared to actively participate in the public life of civil society at different levels of participation presenting one’s own critical views built on a foundation of tolerance and respect towards different cultures and people	Students are ready to actively and consciously participate in public debates on global issues (migration, extremism, conflicts), formulating their own critical positions based on scientific knowledge. They demonstrate an attitude of openness, tolerance, and respect for diverse cultures, religions, and views, understanding the importance of diversity in international relations and the functioning of societies.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion
[GSMU2_U01] is able to describe and evaluate complex problems of political life from the perspective of different theoretical and doctrinal approaches in the perspective of states, regions and international and propose solutions for improvement	preparing statements uses properly selected research methods and tools, prepares presentations, independently supplementing information from available sources, which selects appropriately and verifying	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/ report
[GSMU2_U03] is able to describe, explain the essence of and discuss the importance of politics on the social, cultural and economic spheres at different levels of participation in the modern world, understands its importance for civil society and democratic political culture in a sustainable environment	is able to list, analyze and evaluate trends in the context of the issues being learned	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/ report
[GSMU2_U05] is able to analyse the mechanisms of European and international integration/ disintegration and evaluate the effectiveness or risks of such processes	is able to list, analyze and evaluate trends in the context of the issues being learned	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/ report
[GSMU2_W01] knows in depth the leading theories in international relations and political science, including their sub-disciplines, and is able to situate them within the context of social interactions across various spheres of life	The student knows and understands the leading theories of international relations and political science (including realism, liberalism, constructivism, critical theories), is able to situate them in the analysis of contemporary global phenomena (migration, social movements, political extremism, violence) and explain their significance for various areas of social life – political, cultural and economic.	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/ report

Subject contents	The aim of the course is to introduce students to the theoretical assumptions and the practical dimension of the main theories of international relations and the works of its authors. To reflect on the usefulness of the theory of international relations and their application. The course covers also the basic concepts and terms necessary to describe and explain models of political power structures, analyze the processes of selecting and creating political actors and knowledge about the main elite theories. The course participants will also analyze the phenomenon of violence in politics. The idea of violence will be reconstructed and redefined. Participants will learn about basic methods and strategies of violence usage by state and non-state actors. Issues related to migration will also be an important block of issues discussed
Prerequisites and co-requisites	

Assessment methods and criteria

Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
activity	51.0%	20.0%
final test	51.0%	80.0%

Recommended reading

Basic literature	R. Jackson, G. Sorensen, Introduction to international relations. Theories and approaches, Oxford 2013 R. Aron Peace and War. A Theory of International Relations, New York 2003 R. O. Keohane, J. S. Nye, Power & Interdependence, London 2011 M. Kaldor, New and Old Wars: Organized Violence in a Global Era, Stanford 2012 Manning, Patrick, and Tiffany Trimmer. *Migration in world history*. Routledge, 2020. The Oxford Handbook of Political Leadership , R. A. W. Rhodes and Paul 't Hart (eds), New York 2014 J. Higley, The endangered West. Myopic elites and fragile social orders in threatening world. New Brunswick and London 2016. Democratic elitism: New theoretical and comparative perspectives. B. Heinrich, J. Higley (eds.). LeidenBoston 2010 The Palgrave Handbook of Political Elites, H. Best, J. Higley, John (Eds.), London 2018.
Supplementary literature	will be proposed by lecturers
eResources addresses	

Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	
Work placement	Not applicable

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