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Socio-cultural realities of Eastern Europe

Educational subject description sheet

Basic information

Study programme Global Communication		Didactic cycle 2023/24
Speciality -		Subject code 09GLCS.110HS.02929.23
Organizational unit Faculty of Modern Languages and Literatures		Lecture languages Russian
Study level First-cycle programme		Course type Obligatory
Study form Full-time		Block Humanities and social subjects
Education profile General academic		
Subject coordinator	Anna Stryjakowska	
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Period Semester 5	Activities and hours • Conversatory classes: 30, Graded credit	Number of ECTS points 2

Goals

Code	Goal
C1	Familiarisation with the contemporary socio-cultural realities of the Eastern European countries
C2	Developing the ability to understand the socio-cultural processes taking place in the region
C3	Developing the ability to critically analyse sources and to independently expand knowledge of the socio-cultural realities of the region
C4	Developing the ability to form independent judgements and to participate in discussions on the socio-cultural phenomena of the region

Entry requirements

Knowledge of Russian at B2 level

Subject learning outcomes

Code	Outcomes in terms of	Learning outcomes	Examination methods
Knowledge - Student:			
W1	knows and understands the basic characteristics of the political systems and the socio-cultural situation of the Eastern European countries	GLC_K1_W03, GLC_K1_W06, GLC_K1_W10	Written colloquium, Oral colloquium
W2	knows and understands the main developments in the political, social and cultural life of contemporary Eastern Europe	GLC_K1_W03, GLC_K1_W06, GLC_K1_W10	Written colloquium, Oral colloquium
W3	knows and understands the cause and effect relationships that define the contemporary socio-cultural situation in Eastern Europe	GLC_K1_W03, GLC_K1_W06, GLC_K1_W10	Written colloquium, Oral colloquium
W4	knows and understands basic concepts used to describe contemporary socio-cultural realities in Eastern Europe	GLC_K1_W03, GLC_K1_W05, GLC_K1_W06, GLC_K1_W10	Written colloquium, Oral colloquium
W5	knows and understands the profiles of selected people shaping the contemporary socio-cultural situation in Eastern Europe	GLC_K1_W03, GLC_K1_W06, GLC_K1_W10	Written colloquium, Oral colloquium
Skills - Student:			
U1	is able to analyse selected socio-cultural phenomena and processes in Eastern Europe on the basis of indicated scientific, popular science and journalistic sources	GLC_K1_U02, GLC_K1_U04	Written colloquium, Oral colloquium
U2	is able to use the knowledge he has acquired to formulate judgements and to participate in a meaningful discussion on the socio-cultural realities of Eastern Europe	GLC_K1_U09, GLC_K1_U10	Oral colloquium
U3	is able to independently search for, analyse and critically evaluate source materials on the socio-cultural reality of Eastern Europe	GLC_K1_U04, GLC_K1_U06, GLC_K1_U13	Oral colloquium
Social competences - Student:			
K1	is ready to continuously update and expand his/her knowledge and skills in the socio-cultural reality of Eastern Europe based on reliable sources of information	GLC_K1_K01, GLC_K1_K02	Oral colloquium
K2	is ready to interact with people from Eastern European countries with an understanding of the socio-cultural specificities of the region and its internal diversity	GLC_K1_K04, GLC_K1_K07, GLC_K1_K08	Oral colloquium

Study content

No.	Course content	Subject learning outcomes	Activities
1.	Political systems of Eastern European countries. Administrative division. National symbols. Fundamentals of foreign and security policy in the region.	W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes
2.	Demography of Eastern European countries. Linguistic situation. Ethnic and religious structure. Eastern Orthodoxy as the dominant religion.	W1, W2, W3, W4, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes
3.	Socio-cultural specificity of selected regions in Eastern Europe.	W1, W2, W3, W4, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes
4.	Human rights in Eastern Europe.	W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes
5.	Media in Eastern Europe. The development of the Internet and social media. The problem of media propaganda.	W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes
6.	Literary life in Eastern Europe. Publishing market, literary criticism, awards.	W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes
7.	The largest art galleries in Eastern Europe and their collections.	W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes
8.	Major architectural monuments of Eastern Europe.	W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes
9.	Contemporary Eastern European cinematography.	W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes
10.	Contemporary theatre, street art and performing arts in Eastern Europe.	W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes
11.	Eastern European musical culture.	W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes
12.	The culture of everyday life in Eastern Europe.	W1, W2, W3, W4, U1, U2, U3, K1, K2	Conversatory classes

Additional information

Activities	Teaching and learning methods and activities
Conversatory classes	Discussion, Work with text, Audio and/or video demonstrations

Activities	Credit conditions
Conversatory classes	<p>Basic requirements for passing the course:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - passing all the tests ("colloquia") with a positive mark (1 possibility of improvement is allowed); - attendance in class (1 absence without consequences is allowed, other absences, regardless of the reason, must be made up in the form of a discussion in consultations; missing more than 50% of the class may result in a refusal of credit). <p>Grading scale:</p> <p>92-100% - very good (5,0) 84 -91,9% - good plus (4,5) 76-83,9% - good (4,0) 68-75,9% - satisfactory plus (3,5) 60-67,9% - satisfactory (3,0) 0-59,9% - unsatisfactory (2,0)</p> <p>Conditions for obtaining marks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - very good (bdb; 5.0): achieving an average mark of more than 4.60 in the tests; - good plus (+db; 4.5): achieving an average mark of more than 4.20 to 4.60 in the tests; - good (db; 4.0): achieving an average mark of more than 3.80 to 4.20 in the tests; - satisfactory plus (+dst; 3.5): achieving an average mark of more than 3.40 to 3.80 in the tests; - satisfactory (dst; 3.0): achieving an average mark of 3.00 to 3.40 in the tests; - unsatisfactory (ndst, 2,0): achieving an average mark of less than 3.00 in the tests.

Literature

Obligatory

1. Publications of the Centre for Eastern Studies: osw.waw.pl

Optional

1. Bekus N., The Struggle over Identity. The Official and the Alternative Belarusianness, Budapest 2010.
2. Иноземцев В., Несовременная страна. Россия в мире XXI века, Москва 2018.
3. Зыгарь М., Вся кремлевская рать. Краткая история современной России, Москва 2016.
4. Gessen M., The Future Is History: How Totalitarianism Reclaimed Russia, New York 2017.
5. Plokhy S., The Gates of Europe: A History of Ukraine, London 2016.
6. Snyder T., The Road to Unfreedom, New York 2019.
7. Short P., Putin, New York 2022.
8. Wilson A., Belarus: The Last European Dictatorship, Yale University Press 2021.

Calculation of ECTS points

Activities	Activity hours*
Conversatory classes	30
Preparation for classes	10
Reading the indicated literature	10
Preparation for the assessment	10
Student workload	Hours 60

Number of ECTS points	ECTS 2
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* academic hour = 45 minutes

Learning outcomes

Code	Content
GLC_K1_K01	The graduate is ready to constantly update and improve their knowledge, skills and competence in interpreting cultural-linguistic-communicative phenomena and using them effectively
GLC_K1_K02	The graduate is ready to adopt a critical attitude towards the assimilated knowledge and common opinions, consult experts
GLC_K1_K04	The graduate is ready to undertake communication activities and co-create interpersonal relations in a professional environment, especially one that is linguistically and culturally diverse
GLC_K1_K07	The graduate is ready to participate consciously and responsibly in socio-cultural life, respecting traditions and cultural heritage and displaying an attitude of tolerance and understanding towards cultural, linguistic and communicative diversity
GLC_K1_K08	The graduate is ready to establish contacts and activities in a linguistically, culturally, geographically and socially diverse international environment
GLC_K1_U02	The graduate can properly analyze the causes and course of specific linguistic, literary-cultural, historical-social and communicative phenomena and processes, as well as their interconnection and interpenetration
GLC_K1_U04	The graduate can search for, analyze, evaluate, select, evaluate and use information using a variety of sources and methods of obtaining it
GLC_K1_U06	The graduate can independently, analytically and critically interpret linguistic and literary texts and cultural phenomena
GLC_K1_U09	The graduate can use skills in preparing various types of speeches and leading discussions on issues relevant to the field of study, i.e., communicology, linguistics, literary studies, literary and cultural comparative studies
GLC_K1_U10	The graduate can use the skills of substantive argumentation (taking into account the views of other authors) and formulate their own opinions and express them in speech and writing
GLC_K1_U13	The graduate can plan and implement self-study and improve cultural, linguistic and communication skills necessary for professional and personal development
GLC_K1_W03	The graduate knows and understands in an advanced degree the linguistic, literary and socio-cultural foundations of communication with a special focus on the East Slavic cultural-linguistic-communicative space
GLC_K1_W05	The graduate knows and understands connections of global communication with linguistics and literary studies and related areas, as well as basic concepts and issues in the study of the language, literature and cultural contexts of the Eastern Slavic language area
GLC_K1_W06	The graduate knows and understands selected issues from the area of directional disciplines necessary to comprehend communicative, historical, social, linguistic and literary-cultural processes and transformations in particular in relation to the East-West axis
GLC_K1_W10	The graduate knows and understands the contemporary cultural and social situation of Eastern Europe and the specifics of its historical heritage