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Responsibility and Leadership

Educational subject description sheet

Basic information

Study programme Liberal Arts and Sciences (English programme) Speciality - Organizational unit Faculty of History Study level First-cycle programme Study form Full-time Education profile General academic		Didactic cycle 2023/24 Subject code 18LENS.12K.02959.23 Lecture languages English Course type Obligatory Block Major subjects	
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Lecturer	Rafał Wierchosławski		
Period Semester 2	Activities and hours • Classes: 30, Graded credit		Number of ECTS points 2

Goals

Code	Goal
C1	to draw attention to significant dilemmas (not only moral) or antinomies (in the sense proposed by Turner) which pose challenges in the contemporary world
C2	discussing the question of responsibility in the context of reflection on major contemporary issues: the different levels (individuals, small homelands, national and transnational communities) and the possibilities for action (including cooperation) in solving them
C3	draw students' attention to the interconnectedness, complexity and multifaceted nature of various axiological, cultural, social, economic or environmental issues
C4	raising students' awareness of the consequences of making rash judgments and developing the habit of critical thinking

Entry requirements

There are no prerequisites.

Subject learning outcomes

Code	Outcomes in terms of	Learning outcomes	Examination methods
Knowledge - Student:			
W1	knows contemporary problems emerging from the process of historical change, such as modernization, totalitarianism, and the concept of the end of history	LEN_K1_W01, LEN_K1_W03, LEN_K1_W06, LEN_K1_W07, LEN_K1_W10	Essay
W2	understands problems related to globalization and economization of socio-political systems	LEN_K1_W03, LEN_K1_W06, LEN_K1_W10	Essay
W3	knows and understands problems related to the status of different types of knowledge and technology in contemporary societies	LEN_K1_W03, LEN_K1_W06, LEN_K1_W10	Essay
W4	knows and understands issues related to the development of knowledge and technology - post-truth condition, bioethics, transhumanism and AI problems	LEN_K1_W03, LEN_K1_W06, LEN_K1_W10	Essay
W5	understands issues related to ecological issues in a broad sense (nature, cultural world and traditions as a framework for human habitat, transgenerational justice)	LEN_K1_W03, LEN_K1_W06, LEN_K1_W09, LEN_K1_W10	Essay

Study content

No.	Course content	Subject learning outcomes	Activities
1.	Processes of modernisation, their totalitarian consequences and the search for solution.	W1	Classes

No.	Course content	Subject learning outcomes	Activities
2.	Different aspects of globalisation and technological development and their negative (unintended) consequences.	W1, W2	Classes
3.	Commodification of different aspects of life in relation to process of globalisation.	W1, W2	Classes
4.	Autonomy of different spheres of life (science, religion, culture) and multicultural aspect of contemporary societies.	W3	Classes
5.	Science for the future, limits of humanism, towards transhumanism (posthumanism).	W1, W4, W5	Classes

Additional information

Activities	Teaching and learning methods and activities
Classes	Discussion, Work with text, Case study, Research method (scientific inquiry)

Activities	Credit conditions
Classes	<p>Writing an essay on a selected topic discussed with the class instructor.</p> <p>Grade scale:</p> <p>very good (bdb; 5.0): achievement by the student of at least 90% of the expected learning outcomes</p> <p>good plus (+db; 4.5): achievement by the student of at least 80% of the expected learning outcomes</p> <p>good (db; 4.0): achievement by the student of at least 70% of the expected learning outcomes</p> <p>Sufficient plus (+dst; 3.5): Achievement of expected learning outcomes by the student at a minimum of 60%.</p> <p>Sufficient (dst; 3.0): Achievement of at least 50% of the expected learning outcomes.</p> <p>unsatisfactory (ndst; 2.0): the student does not achieve the expected learning outcomes.</p>

Literature

Obligatory

1. Adolf M., Stehr N., Knowledge, Routledge, London 2014.
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Optional

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3. Fischer F., Citizens, Experts, and the Environment: The Politics of Local Knowledge, Duke University Press, Durham, NC – London 2000.
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7. Knorr-Cetina K., The Manufacture of Knowledge: An Essay on the Constructivist and Contextual Nature of Science, OUP, Oxford 1981.
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13. Turner S.P., Liberal democracy 3.0. Civil Society in the Age of Experts, Sage, London 2003.
14. Turner S.P., The Politics of Expertise, Routledge, London 2014.

Calculation of ECTS points

Activities	Activity hours*
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

* academic hour = 45 minutes

Efekty uczenia się dla kierunku

Kod	Treść
LEN_K1_W01	The graduate knows and understands philosophical approaches defining the role, and goals of science and its place in European civilization over the centuries
LEN_K1_W03	The graduate knows and understands rules of logic and rhetoric that define the principles of correct reasoning and presentation of scientific results
LEN_K1_W06	The graduate knows and understands principles and methods of research within the humanities and sciences
LEN_K1_W07	The graduate knows and understands stages of development of European civilization with its cultural, religious, economic and political characteristics
LEN_K1_W09	The graduate knows and understands the processes of development of social sciences and selected issues of contemporary research
LEN_K1_W10	The graduate knows and understands the processes of development of experimental sciences and selected issues of contemporary research