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Economic Conditions of Civilization Development

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.14HS.02963.23 Lecture languages English Course type Obligatory Block Humanities and social subjects	
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Lecturer		Lucyna Błażejczyk-Majka	
Period Semester 3		Activities and hours • Lecture: 30, Exam	Number of ECTS points 4

Goals

Code	Goal
C1	students will acquire or expand knowledge about the most crucial economic and civilizational processes from the time of geographical discoveries to the beginning of the 21st century, as well as about the principles of periodization and stages of economic and civilizational development
C2	students will learn about the significance of the connection between political, economic, social and cultural aspects in the development process of industrial and post-industrial societies
C3	students will develop valuable skills such as gathering information, analyzing socioeconomic issues from multiple perspectives, drawing conclusions, and effectively communicating and defending their opinions
C4	students will develop a respectful understanding of differing viewpoints on the causes, paths, and outcomes of past and present socio-economic processes

Entry requirements

There are no prerequisites.

Subject learning outcomes

Code	Outcomes in terms of	Learning outcomes	Examination methods
Knowledge - Student:			
W1	knows and understands the most crucial stages in the economy and civilization development from the age of geographical discoveries to the beginning of the 21st century	LEN_K1_W04, LEN_K1_W07	Oral exam, Test, Essay
W2	learns about breakthrough moments in the history of technology and the development of innovative methods for production, transportation, and trade	LEN_K1_W04, LEN_K1_W07	Oral exam, Test, Essay
W3	possesses a vast knowledge of the origins and fundamental principles of the major socio-economic systems that have existed throughout the history of human civilization	LEN_K1_W04, LEN_K1_W07	Oral exam, Test, Essay
W4	understands the importance of the relationship between political, economic, social, and cultural factors in the growth of both industrial and post-industrial societies	LEN_K1_W07	Oral exam, Test, Essay
Skills - Student:			
U1	can apply knowledge about the connections between political, economic, social and cultural phenomena to diagnose and evaluate phenomena occurring in the processes of formation and development of industrial and post-industrial civilization	LEN_K1_U01, LEN_K1_U03, LEN_K1_U06, LEN_K1_U07, LEN_K1_U08	Oral exam, Essay
U2	is capable of gathering information, analyzing multiple perspectives, and drawing conclusions in order to evaluate phenomena that occur during the formation and development of industrial and post-industrial civilization	LEN_K1_U01, LEN_K1_U03, LEN_K1_U06, LEN_K1_U07, LEN_K1_U08	Oral exam, Essay
Social competences - Student:			

Code	Outcomes in terms of	Learning outcomes	Examination methods
K1	has the ability to search for and show respect towards various perspectives regarding the reasons, courses, and effects of socio-economic developments in the histories of civilization, both historically and presently	LEN_K1_K01, LEN_K1_K02, LEN_K1_K03	Oral exam, Essay

Study content

No.	Course content	Subject learning outcomes	Activities
1.	Economy and civilisation – terminology and periodization.	W1, W4, U1, K1	Lecture
2.	Technical, scientific and economic grounding of geographical discoveries.	W1, W2, W4, U1, U2, K1	Lecture
3.	Genesis and development of capitalism from the 15th to 17th centuries. Merchant capitalism.	W1, W2, W4, U1, U2, K1	Lecture
4.	From agrarian revolution to green revolution.	W1, W2, W4, U1, U2, K1	Lecture
5.	Industrial revolutions and their economic and social outcome.	W1, W2, W4, U1, U2, K1	Lecture
6.	Mechanisation of transport and communication – world is shrinking.	W1, W2, W4, U1, U2, K1	Lecture
7.	Processes of urbanisation and industrialisation of cities in the 19th and 20th centuries.	W1, W2, W4, U1, U2, K1	Lecture
8.	Industrial and postindustrial society.	W1, W2, W4, U1, U2, K1	Lecture
9.	Selected socio-economic systems functioning from the 19th to 21st centuries.	W1, W2, W3, W4, U1, U2	Lecture
10.	Gray rhinos, black swans and dragon kings, or the crises of civilization.	W1, W2, W3, W4, U1, U2, K1	Lecture
11.	Economic, social and cultural globalisation and deglobalisation at the turn of the 20th and 21st centuries.	W1, W2, W3, W4, U1, U2, K1	Lecture
12.	Problems and civilisational risks in the modern world.	W1, W2, W3, W4, U1, U2, K1	Lecture

Additional information

Activities	Teaching and learning methods and activities
Lecture	Lecture with a multimedia presentation of selected issues, Conversation lecture

Activities	Credit conditions
Lecture	<p>Obtaining the final grade requires a minimum of 51 points from the total maximum of 100: 0-50 pts. – unsatisfactory (2.0); 51-60 pts. – satisfactory (3.0); 61-70 points – satisfactory plus (3.5); 71-80 points – good (4.0); 81-90 points – good plus (4.5); 91-100 points – very good (5.0).</p> <p>The 100 points possible to be obtained by a student during the semester and during the exam session consist of the following elements: 40 points – active participation in exchange on the Moodle platform, including the preparation of opinions, short essays, and reviews. 50 points – 2 online tests realized during the semester. The tests only include material covered in the previous lecture. 10 points – oral exam during the exam session.</p>

Literature

Obligatory

1. Boldizzoni F., Hudson P., Routledge Handbook of Global Economic History, Routledge, 2016.
2. Kishtainy N., A Little History of Economics, Yale University Press, 2017.

Optional

1. Cole J., Symes C., Western Civilizations: Their History and Their Culture, W.W. Norton & Company, 2020.
2. Ferguson N., Civilization: The West and the Rest. Penguin Publishing Group, 2011.

Calculation of ECTS points

Activities	Activity hours*
Lecture	30
Reading the indicated literature	20
Preparation for the exam	20
Preparation for classes	30
Student workload	Hours 100
Number of ECTS points	ECTS 4

* academic hour = 45 minutes

Efekty uczenia się dla kierunku

Kod	Treść
LEN_K1_K01	The graduate is ready to act in accordance with the norms of social and research ethics
LEN_K1_K02	The graduate is ready to nurture and popularize the heritage of European civilization
LEN_K1_K03	The graduate is ready to apply the acquired knowledge to solve practical problems
LEN_K1_U01	The graduate can plan and carry out group or independently simple research projects in the humanities and sciences, including with the use of digital tools digital
LEN_K1_U03	The graduate can read with an understanding professional scientific texts in the humanities and sciences, with an awareness of the need for their critical evaluation
LEN_K1_U06	The graduate can use knowledge of the humanities, social sciences, and sciences to diagnose and evaluate developments in society
LEN_K1_U07	The graduate can correctly edit, comment and annotate prepared texts, in accordance with academic requirements in Polish and English
LEN_K1_U08	The graduate can take part in discussions on topics learned in the course of studies with respect for the rules of sound argumentation
LEN_K1_W04	The graduate knows and understands the key terminology of the main disciplines in the humanities, social sciences, sciences and natural sciences
LEN_K1_W07	The graduate knows and understands stages of development of European civilization with its cultural, religious, economic and political characteristics