

Field of study:

Political Science

Subject: Introduction to Psychology

Level of study: undergraduate studies

System of study: Full-time Profile of studies: practical

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Form of classes and the ECTS points

	Number of hours	ECTS points	Credit
lectures	30		exam
Total	30	5	

Aims of teaching

To familiarize students with basic information about psychology as a science. Presentation of its main directions - historical background, the most important representatives and main assumptions and discoveries. To familiarize students with knowledge about the relationship between the brain and the psyche and the methods of studying this relationship, the basic issues related to the reception and processing of information, the approximation of such issues as cognitive processes, both basic and higher level. In addition, the presentation of a way of understanding selected psychological phenomena such as: motivation, emotions and stress, personality in the understanding of different psychological trends, as well as the transfer of basic knowledge in the field of social psychology and psychopathology. To familiarize students with the specificity of psychological thinking, which will allow them to develop their skills of formulating independent conclusions and using a psychological language.

KNOWLEDGE				
SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	REFERENCE TO THE PROFILE OUTCOME		
P_W1	• the student has knowledge of the main trends of psychology and their historical conditioning.; • he knows and can define basic ideas regarding the course of mental processes, including cognitive, emotional, motivational and relate his knowledge to practice. • he knows and defines basic ideas describing the course of social behavior • he has knowledge of the basic methods used in psychology • he defines the specific features of psychology as a science and can indicate the differences between psychology and pseudopsychology • he knows the subdisciplines of psychology and their interrelationships	Pol_WG01 Pol_WG04 Pol_WG06 Pol_WK04		
SKILLS				
SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	REFERENCE TO THE PROFILE OUTCOME		
P_U1	• the student reads and understands the literature of the subject. • he can describe and explain basic mental processes • he uses psychological terminology. • he can analyze psychological goals and tasks. • he distinguishes between psychological trends and knows how to interpret human behavior based on his knowledge • he can assess the scientific value of theory and concept in psychology • the student can describe the research methods used in psychology and assess their value.	Pol_UW01 Pol_UW02 Pol_UW03 Pol_UW06 Pol_UK03 Pol_UU02 Pol_UW11		
SOCIAL COMPETENCES				
SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	REFERENCE TO THE PROFILE OUTCOME		
P_K1	• he can communicate with specialists from other fields of science • he develops personal motivation to acquire new professional competences • he strives to deepen knowledge and develop professional skills and takes care of its own mental condition	Pol_KK02 Pol_KK03 Pol_KO01 Pol_KR02		

Course content

NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	FORM OF CLASSES	NUMBER OF HOURS

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1	Introduction - the nature of psychology, basic concepts, psychology and other human sciences, goals of psychological research and research methods used in psychology, conducting scientific research and their ethical aspects.	lectures	3 / 3
2	Psychology yesterday and today - the beginnings of psychological thought and contemporary directions of psychology (structuralism, functionalism, associationism, behaviorism, character psychology, cognitivism, biopsychology, humanistic psychology, psychoanalysis, psychodynamic approach) - assumptions and chief representatives.	lectures	3 / 3
3	Biopsychology - basics of genetics: concepts, relation between genes and human functioning, basic congenital developmental disorders; brain and behaviour: damaged and healthy brain, methods of examination of the nervous system, structure of the nervous system; endocrine system and human behavior.	lectures	3 / 3
4	Psychology of mental processes - perception, attention, memory, thinking, language, learning.	lectures	3 / 3
5	Awareness - definition, functions and levels, structure of consciousness, changed states of consciousness.	lectures	3 / 3
6	Psychology of mental processes - emotions and motivation: basic and derivative emotions, selected theories of emotions, brain foundations of emotions, selected issues of psychology of emotions and cognitive processes; internal and external motivation, motivation of achievements, types of motivation, conflicts of motives.	lectures	6 / 6
7	Psychopathology - health and pathology, human health and the public health movement, problems of pathology assessment, its basic forms and psychopathological mechanisms	lectures	3 / 3
8	Evolution of the mind - the complexity of brain development	lectures	3 / 3
9	Basics of social psychology - a man in relationships with others (theories and issues of social psychology), social cognition, attitudes and their change, relations with others and communication	lectures	3 / 3

Conditions of completion

LECTURES

TYPE OF CREDIT	CREDIT INFLUENCE (IN %)
Exam (for the lecturers only)	100

Teaching methods

- lectures
- mutimedia presentations
- discussion

Reading (compulsory)

- B. R. Hergenhahn . An Introduction to the History of Psychology 2008
- - Michael W. Eysenck, Mark T. Keane. Cognitive Psychology 2010

Reading (additional)

• Lack of literature

Odniesienie efektów przedmiotowych do efektów kierunkowych, treści kształcenia, metod weryfikacji

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