

**Field of study:****Political Science****Subject: Parties and party systems**

Level of study: undergraduate studies

System of study: Full-time

Profile of studies: practical

Subject: Parties and party systems

**Form of classes and the ECTS points**

|          | Number of hours | ECTS points | Credit |
|----------|-----------------|-------------|--------|
| lectures | 30              |             | exam   |
| Total    | 30              | 6           |        |

**Aims of teaching**

The aim of the lecture is to familiarize students with basic approaches, typologies and concepts relating to political parties and various party systems. An important part of it is the analysis of changes taking place in political parties in the context of social and institutional changes. The development and typical features of party systems of new democracies are also shown.

## Intended learning outcomes

| KNOWLEDGE          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                      |
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| SYMBOL             | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | REFERENCE TO THE PROFILE OUTCOME                                     |
| P_W1               | The student knows of the theory of political parties and party systems.                                                                                                                                                                                 | Pol_WG02<br>Pol_WG03<br>Pol_WG09                                     |
| P_W2               | The student knows the basic terminology related to the political parties. The student knows the basic rules of organization and functioning of political parties and party systems in democratic political regimes.                                     | Pol_WG02<br>Pol_WG03<br>Pol_WG05<br>Pol_WK03                         |
| SKILLS             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                      |
| SYMBOL             | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | REFERENCE TO THE PROFILE OUTCOME                                     |
| P_U1               | The student is able to analyse the structures of political parties and party systems at the national and European level and to compare them.                                                                                                            | Pol_UW05<br>Pol_UW08<br>Pol_UU01                                     |
| P_U2               | The student is able to analyse the causes and consequences of political phenomena related to political parties, party systems and elections. The student is able to analyse and explain changes occurring in these spheres.                             | Pol_UW01<br>Pol_UW02<br>Pol_UW03<br>Pol_UW04<br>Pol_UW08             |
| P_U3               | The student is able to present the views of different authors on issues related to political parties and party systems and to confront them. Student is able to present his or her own view on these issues.                                            | Pol_UW01<br>Pol_UW07                                                 |
| SOCIAL COMPETENCES |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                      |
| SYMBOL             | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | REFERENCE TO THE PROFILE OUTCOME                                     |
| P_K1               | The student is prepared to take an active part in public life related to activities concerning political parties or within their structures. The student is prepared to work in teams working on issues related to political parties and party systems. | Pol_KK01<br>Pol_KK02<br>Pol_KO01<br>Pol_KO02<br>Pol_KO03<br>Pol_KO04 |
| P_K2               | The student correctly identifies and assesses new phenomena and dilemmas related to political parties, especially new ones.                                                                                                                             | Pol_KK01<br>Pol_KK02                                                 |

| SOCIAL COMPETENCES |                                                                                                                           |                                              |
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| SYMBOL             | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                               | REFERENCE TO THE PROFILE OUTCOME             |
| P_K3               | The student is ready to continue to improve its knowledge, skills and capabilities in terms of parties and party systems. | Pol_KK02<br>Pol_KK03<br>Pol_KO01<br>Pol_KO03 |

## Course content

| NUMBER | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                      | FORM OF CLASSES | NUMBER OF HOURS |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1      | The genesis of political parties. Definitions of political party. Selected modern concepts of political party genesis.                                                           | lectures        | 3 / 3           |
| 2      | Functions of political parties. From cadre party to party as cartel. Evolution of party models its influence of function of political parties.                                   | lectures        | 3 / 3           |
| 3      | Social structure of political parties. Organizational structure of political parties.                                                                                            | lectures        | 3 / 3           |
| 4      | Party as an organization. The institutionalisation of parties, selected theoretical approaches. Problems of institutionalisation of parties in the processes of democratization. | lectures        | 3 / 3           |
| 5      | Ideological basis of parties. Communists and socialdemocrats. Christian democrats. Conservatives. Liberals. Radical right-wing parties.                                          | lectures        | 3 / 3           |
| 6      | New social movements and their relations with parties. Social movements and parties in Central and Eastern Europe.                                                               | lectures        | 2 / 2           |
| 7      | Party systems. Definitions of the term. Changes in European political systems in recent decades. Change of party systems. Party systems in the processes of democratization.     | lectures        | 4 / 4           |
| 8      | Parties in power. Model of party government. Minority governments and surplus coalitions. Parties in law. Influence of electoral system on party system.                         | lectures        | 4 / 4           |
| 9      | Parties in opposition.                                                                                                                                                           | lectures        | 1 / 1           |
| 10     | Parties in international environment.                                                                                                                                            | lectures        | 1 / 1           |
| 11     | Pathologies of political parties.                                                                                                                                                | lectures        | 3 / 3           |

## Conditions of completion

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### LECTURES

| TYPE OF CREDIT                | CREDIT INFLUENCE (IN %) |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Exam (for the lecturers only) | 90                      |
| Presence in classes           | 5                       |
| Class work                    | 5                       |

## Teaching methods

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- lectures
- multimedia presentations
- discussion in the class

## Reading (compulsory)

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- Lack of literature

## Reading (additional)

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- Dalton R. J., Kuechler M.. Challenging the Political Order. New Social and Political Movements in Western Europe 1990
- Duignan B.. Political Parties, Interest Groups and Elections 2013
- Sartori G.. Parties and Party Systems. A Framework for Analysis 1976
- Sobolewska-Myślik K.. Partie i systemy partyjne na świecie 2006
- Ware A.. Political parties and party systems 1996

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

| SYMBOL                    | REFERENCE OF A GIVEN OUTCOME TO THE PROFILE OUTCOME                  | REFERENCE OF A GIVEN OUTCOME TO THE COURSE CONTENT | REFERENCE OF A GIVEN OUTCOME TO THE VERIFICATION METHODS |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>KNOWLEDGE</b>          |                                                                      |                                                    |                                                          |
| P_W1                      | Pol_WG02<br>Pol_WG03<br>Pol_WG09                                     | 1<br>2<br>4<br>5<br>6<br>7<br>9                    |                                                          |
| P_W2                      | Pol_WG02<br>Pol_WG03<br>Pol_WG05<br>Pol_WK03                         | 2<br>3<br>5<br>7<br>8<br>10<br>11                  |                                                          |
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| <b>SKILLS</b>             |                                                                      |                                                    |                                                          |
| P_U1                      | Pol_UW05<br>Pol_UW08<br>Pol_UU01                                     | 2<br>3<br>4<br>6<br>8<br>9<br>10<br>11             |                                                          |
| P_U2                      | Pol_UW01<br>Pol_UW02<br>Pol_UW03<br>Pol_UW04<br>Pol_UW08             | 3<br>4<br>5<br>6<br>7<br>8<br>9<br>10<br>11        |                                                          |
| P_U3                      | Pol_UW01<br>Pol_UW07                                                 | 1<br>2<br>4<br>5<br>7<br>9                         |                                                          |
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| <b>SOCIAL COMPETENCES</b> |                                                                      |                                                    |                                                          |
| P_K1                      | Pol_KK01<br>Pol_KK02<br>Pol_KO01<br>Pol_KO02<br>Pol_KO03<br>Pol_KO04 | 3<br>6<br>8<br>10                                  |                                                          |

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>SOCIAL COMPETENCES</b> |                                                        |                                                       |                                                                |
| P_K2                      | Pol_KK01<br>Pol_KK02                                   | 4<br>5<br>6<br>7<br>9<br>10<br>11                     |                                                                |
| P_K3                      | Pol_KK02<br>Pol_KK03<br>Pol_KO01<br>Pol_KO03           | 1<br>2<br>4<br>7<br>8<br>9<br>11                      |                                                                |