

1.	Field of study	Interdisciplinary Environmental Studies in the Humanities
2.	Faculty	Faculty of Humanities
3.	Academic year of entry	2025/2026 (winter term)
4.	Level of qualifications/degree	first-cycle studies
5.	Degree profile	general academic
6.	Mode of study	full-time

7.	General information about the module	
Module name		Social theories of the 21st century
Module code		W1-SH-S1-TS
Number of the ECTS credits		3
Language of instruction		Polish
Purpose and description of the content of education		The course will discuss the most important social and humanities theories concerning the phenomena that have occurred in recent decades. The topics which will be addressed include: globalisation and its slowdown, neo-liberalism, the attack on the World Trade Centre as a boundary event for the 21st century, economic crises, the idea of the precariat, inequality, energy crises and the climate crisis, as well as the issues related to contemporary conflicts and visions of the future regarding the automation of work and fantasies of various catastrophes, as well as utopian scenarios. The course will enable students to understand a range of contemporary local and global issues, as well as raise awareness of their possible solutions.
List of modules that must be completed before starting this module (if necessary)		not applicable

8.	Learning outcomes of the module			
Code	Description	Learning outcomes of the programme	Level of competenc (scale 1-5)	
01	has knowledge of key events of the 21st century and their relation to social theories	W07	4	
02	is aware of political inequalities, understands the concept of the precariat, is able to illustrate these phenomena with examples from the course	W10	4	
03	while adopting social sensitivity poses relevant research questions and is able to refer to them critically	U02	3	
04	uses the knowledge from the classes during talks, discussions, social interactions	U05	3	
05	is ready to develop pro-social and pro-equality attitudes	K03	4	

9.	Methods of conducting classes		
	Code	Category	Name (description)
	a01	Lecture methods / expository methods	Formal lecture/ course-related lecture <i>a systematic course of study involving a synthetic presentation of an academic discipline; its implementation assumes a passive reception of the information provided</i>
	b01	Problem-solving methods	Problem-based lecture

		<i>an analysis of a selected scientific or practical problem accompanied by its assessment and an attempt to provide a solution to the issues presented in the lecture as well as the indication of the consequences of the proposed solution</i>
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10. Forms of teaching

Code	Name	Number of hours	Assessment of the learning outcomes of the module	Learning outcomes of the module	Methods of conducting classes
W	lecture	30	exam	01, 02, 03, 04, 05	a01, b01

11. The student's work, apart from participation in classes, includes in particular:

Code	Category	Name (description)	Is it part of the BUNA?
a01	Preparation for classes	Search for materials and review activities necessary for class participation <i>reviewing literature, documentation, tools and materials as well as the specifics of the syllabus and the range of activities indicated in it as required for full participation in classes</i>	No
a02	Preparation for classes	Literature reading / analysis of source materials <i>reading the literature indicated in the syllabus; reviewing, organizing, analyzing and selecting source materials to be used in class</i>	No
c01	Preparation for verification of learning outcomes	Determining the stages of task implementation contributing to the verification of learning outcomes <i>devising a task implementation strategy embracing the division of content, the range of activities, implementation time and/or the method(s) of obtaining the necessary materials and tools, etc.</i>	Yes
d01	Consulting the results of the verification of learning outcomes	Analysis of the corrective feedback provided by the academic teacher on the results of the verification of learning outcomes <i>reading through the academic teacher's comments, assessments and opinions on the implementation of the task aimed at checking the level of the achieved learning outcomes</i>	Yes

Information on the details of the module implementation in a given academic year can be found in the syllabus available in the USOS system: <https://usosweb.us.edu.pl>.