



Subject card

Subject name and code	Sociology of built environment, PG_00068129						
Field of study	Spatial Development						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2025/2026		
Education level	first-cycle studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study Humanistic-social subject group		
Mode of study	Full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	1		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	2		ECTS credits		4.0		
Learning profile	general academic profile		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Department Of Urban Design And Regional Planning -> Faculty Of Architecture -> Wydziały Politechniki Gdańskiej						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor						
	Teachers						
Lesson types and methods of instruction	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	15.0	30.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	45
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours		Self-study	SUM
	Number of study hours	45		8.0		47.0	100
Subject objectives	1. The acquisition of knowledge of the social determinants of land use planning 2. The ability to interpret the impact of the cultural context for space management 3. Understanding and identifying key issues of contemporary urbanism: the housing, revitalization and suburbanization of built environment 4. Providing knowledge concerning basic concepts and issues involving spatial , social and cultural issues urbanized society						
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome		Method of verification		
	[K6_W71] has general knowledge in humanistic, social, economic or legal sciences		Understands the local and global context in the management and management of space and recognizes its influence in the field of culture and urban lifestyle.		[SW2] Assessment of knowledge contained in presentation		
	[K6_K03] is aware of the social role of the spatial planning engineer, understands the need to promote, formulate and communicate to the public information and opinions about activities in the profession; is prepared to act in accordance with the principles of professional ethics, while taking care to cultivate the achievements and traditions of the profession of an urban planner and planner		Student understands the relationship between social and spatial phenomena.		[SK5] Assessment of ability to solve problems that arise in practice		
	[K6_K71] is conscious of the need to apply knowledge from humanistic, social, economic or legal sciences in order to function in a social environment		Is able to see the relationship between social and spatial phenomena.		[SK5] Assessment of ability to solve problems that arise in practice		
	[K6_U71] is able to apply knowledge from humanistic, social, economic or legal sciences in order to solve problems in a social environment		Understands the influence of social and cultural factors on shaping the urban built environment.		[SU1] Assessment of task fulfilment		

Subject contents	Lectures: dr M. Dymnicka		
	Introductory lecture. Basic concepts and terminology. Sociology and other disciplines (anthropology, architecture, urban planning). Culture, society, space. Concept of the culture. Areas of cultural regulations. Culture's role in development of the space. Social interactions in urban space. Interactions in time and space. The factors of social change. Phenomenon of globalization and dimensions of globalization. Levels of social life (micro, mezzo, makro). Contemporary society: challenges, dilemmas, problems. New conceptualisation of contemporary society (mobile and risk society etc.). Origins of modern research on the town. Chicago school. Review of theories and trends of urban development. Global economy impact on the development of the metropolis. Metropolitan and creative class. Sociology of the space: place and space. Home as a place. Public space in sociological perspective. Public space private space: common and problematic areas. Revitalization: social aspects. Complexity and multifaced proces. Role of culture and art. Participation of citizens in transforming the urban environment. Summary of the course.		
	Exercices		
	Introduction of the subject: sociology of the built environment. The beginnings of the contemporary research on the urban issues. Concept of the cultural area and social space. Interaction in the city space. Issues of the sociology of place and space (social creating of the place in the modern urban conditions, the place identity dilemmas: unification-fragmentation, issues of the quasi-place, spaces of consumption, spaces of exclusion, spaces of flow). Impact of globalisation processes on the town development: metropolisation, fragmentarisation, gentrification, spaces of consumption. space and civic society. Renovation of the urban space sociological issues. Social participation in the restoration process of the city.		
	Lectures: dr M. Szmytkowska		
	Research concepts and schools explaining the social diversity in urban space. Determinants of spatial organization. Social production of space. The concept of place. The concept of social space. Socio-cultural effects of space management. Directions of the evolution of European culture. The cultural landscape. Cultural heritage. Socio-spatial dimensions of the socialist and post-socialist cities. Urbanism and/ as politics.		
	Lectures: dr.inż. arch. G. Rembarz		
	Subject includes introduction into the problem field of the new residential structures in the contemporary city. Set of lectures and workshops covers basic lines towards understanding of the urban design and function of the new housing areas.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	No requirements		
Assessment methods and criteria			
	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	presentation	60.0%	40.0%
	test	60.0%	60.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	Obligatory: selected chapters dr M. Dymnicka 1. Jałowiecki B., Szczepański M.S., <i>Miasto i przestrzeń w perspektywie socjologicznej</i>. Warszawa: Scholar, 2002. 2. Majer A., <i>Socjologia i przestrzeń miejska</i>. Warszawa: PWN, 2010. 3. Sztompka P., <i>Socjologia. Analiza społeczeństwa</i>. Wydawnictwo Znak, Kraków, 2002. dr M. Szmytkowska 1. Karwińska A., <i>Gospodarka przestrzenna. Uwarunkowania społeczno-kulturowe</i>, WN PWN, Warszawa, 2008. 2. Królikowski J., Rylke J. Społeczno-kulturowe podstawy gospodarowania przestrzenią, Wydawnictwo SGGW, Warszawa, 2010. 3. Jałowiecki B., <i>Społeczne wytwarzanie przestrzeni</i>, WN Scholar, Warszawa, 2010. dr inż. arch. G. Rembarz 1. Adamczewska-Wejchert H., <i>Kształtowanie zespołów mieszkaniowych</i>, Arkady, Warszawa, 1985. 2. Chmielewski J.M., <i>Teoria urbanistyki w projektowaniu i planowaniu miast</i>, Oficyna Wydawnicza Politechniki Warszawskiej, Warszawa 2001. 3. Ghirardo D., <i>Architektura po modernizmie</i>, Wydawnictwo VIA, Toruń, 1999.
	Supplementary literature	Supplementary: dr M. Dymnicka 1. Jałowiecki B., Łukowski W (red.). <i>Gettoizacja polskiej przestrzeni miejskiej</i>. Warszawa: Academica Wyd. SWPS, Wyd. Nauk. Scholar, 2007. 2. Lewicka, M. <i>Psychologia miejsca</i>. Gdańsk: Wyd. Naukowe Scholar, 2012. 3. Jałowiecki B., Szczepański M.S. <i>Miasto i przestrzeń w perspektywie socjologicznej</i>, WN Scholar, Warszawa, 2006. dr M. Szmytkowska 1. Jałowiecki B., Szczepański M.S., <i>Miasto i przestrzeń w perspektywie socjologicznej</i>. Warszawa: Scholar, 2002. 2. Gołembski F., <i>Kulturowe aspekty integracji europejskiej</i>, Wydawnictwa Akademickie i Profesjonalne, Warszawa, 2008. 3. Węclawowicz G., <i>Geografia społeczna miast</i>, WN PWN, Warszawa, 2007. dr inż. arch. G. Rembarz 1. DETAIL 2008/09: Concept: Housing - Konzept Living Together Wydawnictwo: DETAIL 2. Fernández Per A., Arpa J.: Next. COLLECTIVE HOUSING in progress Density Series, A+T ARCHITECTURE PUBLISHERS, http://aplust.net/tienda.php?seccion=libros&serie=Serie%20Densidad&libro=Density%20project 3. Fernández Per A., Arpa J.: Density projects. 36 new concepts on collective housing Density Series, A+T ARCHITECTURE PUBLISHERS
	eResources addresses	Adresy na platformie eNauczanie:

Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	1. What is the process of privatization of public space? 2. What factors influence the course of social interaction in public space? 3. Please describe the urban life style. 4. Discuss patterns of space management. 5. Discuss and review concepts of space, place and social space. 6. Discuss the concept: cultural heritage and cultural landscape. 7. List basic types of the residential buildings. 8. Explain basic planning rules towards social integrated the housingenvironment. 9. Explain meaning of the terms: housing policy, housing market.
Work placement	Not applicable

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