

Subject card

Subject name and code	Astronomy with Elements of Astrophysics, PG_00050008								
Field of study	Space and Satellite Technologies								
Date of commencement of studies	February 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject			2025/2026			
Education level	second-cycle studies		Subject group			Obligatory subject group in the field of study			
Mode of study	Full-time studies		Mode of delivery			at the university			
Year of study	1		Language of instruction			Polish			
Semester of study	1		ECTS credits			3.0			
Learning profile	general academic profile		Assessment form			assessment			
Conducting unit	Department of Geoinformatics -> Faculty of Electronics Telecommunications and Informatics -> Wydziały Politechniki Gdańskiej								
Name and surname	Subject supervisor		dr hab. inż. Zbigniew Łubniewski						
of lecturer (lecturers)	Teachers		dr hab. inż. Zbigniew Łubniewski						
Lesson types and methods	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Projec	t	Seminar	SUM	
of instruction	Number of study hours	15.0	15.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	30	
	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	30		10.0		35.0		75	
Subject objectives	Students obtain knowledge and practical skills in the field of astronomy and astrophysics for space and satellite technologies.								
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome			Method of verification			
	[K7_K02] Understand technical aspects of a the field of space and technologies, including consequences and in state of the environm Expresses opinions of development of technologies.	Student understands the non- technical aspects of activities in the field of astronomy and astrophysics, including their social consequences and impact on the state of the environment.			[SK4] Assessment of communication skills, including language correctness [SK2] Assessment of progress of work				
Subject contents	The celestial sphere, spherical coordinates, horizontal coordinate system, astronomical meridian, gnomon, hourly coordinate system, sun clock, sphere movement at different latitudes, apparent celestial motion, determination of altitude in upper and lower culmination of celestial body. Stars, their origin, naming, division of the celestial sphere, equatorial and ecliptic coordinate systems, atlases and star catalogs, precession, apparent annual motion of the Sun, concept of ecliptic, Kepler laws, days, 'nights, seasons, moon, its phases, Eclipses of the Sun and Moon, planets and their apparent motion, geocentric system, heliocentric system, calendar concept. Selected physical processes in the Universe related to objects such as galactic stars, interstellar matter and their interactions, Star formation and planetary systems, Gas and star dust: formation of molecules and grains, flares. The apparent and absolute brightness of stars, own movements, spectral classes, Russell's Hertzsprung diagram. Evolution of the stars.								
Prerequisites and co-requisites	Matematics, physics								
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria		Passing threshold		Percentage of the final grade				
	Colloquium				80.0%				
	Exercises		100.0%			20.0%			

Recommended reading	Basic literature	E. Rybka, Astronomia ogólna, PWN, Warszawa, 1983
		B. Kołaczek, Astronomia sferyczna, Warszawa, 1976
		P. G. Kulikowski, Poradnik miłośnika astronomii, PWN, Warszawa 1976
		M. Kubiak, Gwiazdy i materia międzygwiazdowa, PWN, Warszawa, 1994.
	Supplementary literature	Not specified.
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Not specified.	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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