

SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE	Introduction to political psychology													
CREDITS	2 ECTS													
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	English													
DEPARTMENT/FACULTY	Institute of Psychology													
LECTURER(S)	Barnaba Danieluk, Ph.D.													
COURSE OBJECTIVES														
<p>Students who successfully complete this course will have a basic knowledge of and insight into:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student understands psychological mechanisms of political behaviors such as engaging in political movements, voting, relations of power and political conflicts. • The student is able to describe and interpret tools used in the political communication and understands how media influence political thinking. 														
PREREQUISITES	Basic knowledge from the field of social psychology													
COURSE ORGANISATION –LEARNING FORMAT AND NUMBER OF HOURS														
15 hours of lectures, one 2-hours lecture every other week														
COURSE DESCRIPTION														
<p>Political psychology uses methods and ideas from psychology to understand political processes. Course offers comprehensive overview of the main topics in political psychology such as political thinking, decision making (voting) and political conflicts. In addition, some attention will be placed on polls and political advertisement but also on political extremism.</p>														
METHODS OF INSTRUCTION	lecture, discussion, didactic film, case studies													
REQUIREMENTS AND ASSESSMENTS	* Final written exam													
GRADING SYSTEM	<p>Success in this course depends on attending class regularly, actively participating in class, and taking thorough notes.</p> <p>Final Test: There will be an multiple choice test at the end (one correct answer)</p>													
TOTAL STUDENT WORKLOAD NEEDED TO ACHIEVE EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES EXPRESSED IN TIME AND ECTS CREDIT POINTS	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Activity</th> <th>Hours:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Lecture</td> <td>14h</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Revising for the exam</td> <td>35h</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Exam</td> <td>1h</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>50h</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ECTS</td> <td>2 ECTS</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Activity	Hours:	Lecture	14h	Revising for the exam	35h	Exam	1h	Total	50h	ECTS	2 ECTS
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STUDY MATERIALS	<p>PRIMARY OR REQUIRED BOOKS/READINGS: Cottam, M.L, Dietz-Uhler, B., Mastors, E.M., Preston. Th. (2004). Introduction to Political Psychology. Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.</p> <p>Jost, J.T., Sidanius, J. (2004). Political psychology. Psychology Press.</p>													

SUPPLEMENTAL OR OPTIONAL BOOKS/READINGS: