ERASMUS

SOCIOLOGY

1	Name of the course	Aging in Contemporary Societies
2	Name and surname of the lecturer, title / academic degree	Anna Sadowska, MA http://www.umcs.pl/pl/addres-book-employee,3571,pl.html Michał Nowakowski, PhD https://www.umcs.pl/pl/addres-book-employee,1977,pl.html
3	Language	English
4	Strona WWW	
5	Semestr	Winter and summer
6	ECTS and number of hours	Contact hours (with academic teacher) Lecture: 30 hrs. Consultations: 2 hrs. Total number of hours with the participation of an academic teacher: 32 hrs. Number of ECTS credits with the participation of an academic teacher: 1 Non-contact hours (student's own work) Studying literature: 45 hrs. Preparation to the exam (paper): 75 hrs. Total number of non-contact hours: 120h Number of ECTS credits for non-contact hours: 4
7	Prerequisites	English B2
8	Description of the course	Students will be introduced to the basic concepts and theories of social gerontology and sociology of aging, followed by specific issues. The topics for critical discussion will include: health condition and fitness of seniors, family situation and social bonds, activity (educational, vocational, social), quality of life (health-related) and challenges (growing demand for care services, discrimination and violence).
9	Topics	Course content*: 1. Introduction to social gerontology and sociology of ageing. 2. Theories of aging in practice. A research perspective. 3. Health condition and fitness of the elderly. Illness and disability as determinants of quality of life in old age. 4. Family situation and social bonds of the elderly. 5. Socioeconomic situation of seniors. 6. Educational and professional activity of the elderly. 7. Social and cultural activity of the elderly. 8. Silver economy. 9. Care of the elderly: needs, resources, deficits. 10. Systems of support and institutional assistance aimed at seniors. 11. Senior policy in Poland and your country. 12. Discrimination and violence against the elderly. 13. Ageing as a task. Dilemmas of late adulthood. 14. The social role of seniors in modern societies. 15. Summary of the class. **I reserve the right to make changes to the syllabus if required.
		Students will be informed about all updates.

10	Literature	Compulsory literature:
		Kunkel S., Chahal J., Whittington F.J., Brown J.S., Global Ageing; Comparative Perspectives on Ageing and the Life Course, New York: Springer Publishing Company 2014.
		Morgan L.A., Kunkel S., Ageing, Society and the Life Course, 5th edition, New York: Springer Publishing Company 2016.
		Powell J.L., Social Gerontology, Hauppage, New York: Nova Science Publishers, Inc. 2013.
		Victor Ch.R., The Social Context of Ageing. A Textbook of Gerontology, London: Routledge 2005.
		Supplementary literature:
		PolSenior2 – Badanie poszczególnych obszarów stanu zdrowia osób starszych, w tym jakości życia związanej ze zdrowiem, red. P. Błędowski, T. Grodzicki, M. Mossakowska, T. Zdrojewski, Gdański Uniwersytet Medyczny, Gdańsk 2021.
11	Learning outcomes	Knows and understands at an advanced level selected facts, objects and phenomena in the field of sociological sub-disciplines as well as other detailed social issues (K_W02) P6U_W P6S_WG
		Student can use his/her sociological knowledge in predictable conditions and in conditions requiring non-standard solutions (K_U01) P6U_U P6S_UW
		Can discuss social issues and critically evaluate the positions of other debaters (K_U06) P6U_U P6S_UK
12	Method of verification of learning outcomes	K_W02: project: paper presentation K_U01: project: paper presentation
	(separately for each effect)	K_U06: attendance and participation
13	Teaching methods	Activating lecture;Discussion;
		Case study;Project.
14	Assessment methods Assessment criteria	1. Project: paper presentation (50%) and evaluation of student activity during classes (50%).
		 2.1 Project: paper presentation – on the topic agreed with the lecturer (with reference to the learning outcomes and the class content). Evaluation criteria: a) compliance with the topic and presenting one's opinion; b) use of scientific courses.
		b) use of scientific sources; c) formal side of the presentation (including a list of sources used).
		 2.2 Ongoing assessment of students' activity during classes – evaluated on a scale: - 0 pts. (student absent from class); - 1 pt. (student present in class);
		- 2 pts. (student present and actively participating in class).