

## SUBJECT CARD

### 1. Basic information

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Political Systems</b>
Faculty	Faculty of Law
Field of studies	International Relations
Specialization	international business
PRK level	6 PRK
Education level	first-cycle studies
Form of studies	full-time studies
Group of activities	—
Number of ECTS points	5
Type of subject	obligatory
Total number of hours	30 h
Didactic cycle	2024/2025 winter
Academic semester	4
Academic year	2
Education profile	general academic
Year of implementation	2025/2026
Language of instruction	English
Teacher(s)	prof. UAFM dr hab. Anna Kargol

### Semester, number of ECTS points, type of subject, number of hours

Semester	Lecture
4	30 godz. 5 ECTS

### 2. General objectives

<b>C1</b>	the main aim of this course it is to present the most characteristic political systems of Europe and the most significant related phenomena
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### 3. Introductory requirements

No demands

### 4. Learning outcomes

<b>W1</b>	Knowledge: Student has a basic knowledge concerning the origins and functions of the institutions of the state. Student has basic knowledge about the principal constitutional rules and structure of the main institutions of the state, their competences and mutual relations
<b>U1</b>	
<b>U2</b>	Skills: Student can analyze the decision made by the subjects of state structures Student can analyze the behaviors of the subjects of state structures
<b>K1</b>	Social competence: Student can judge in a reasonable way the decisions and behaviours of the institutions of state.

### 5. Course program

Lecture (30 h)

Code	Detailed description of the topic blocks (semester: 4)
Wyk1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The general characteristic of Political system/ varies approaches.</li><li>- Introduction to the development of the modern parliamentarism as a system in Europe</li><li>- Political System of England</li><li>- Majority electoral system and its consequences (general characteristics of the other types)</li><li>- Political system of Germany / as the example of the federal state</li><li>- Political system of Sweden</li><li>- Bikameralism versus unikameralism</li><li>- Political system of France</li><li>- Political system of Switzerland</li><li>- Political system of USA</li></ul>

### 6. Didactic methods

Lecture	
<b>M2</b>	Text analysis
<b>M6</b>	Discussion
<b>M17</b>	Multimedia presentation
<b>M20</b>	Lecture

### 7. Student workload

Number of hours under supervision	Student workload
<b>Lecture</b>	<b>30 h</b>
<b>Including e-learning:</b>	<b>0 h</b>

Student's own work	
	<b>95 h</b>

Total workload	
Total number of hours for the course	<b>125 h</b>
Total number of ECTS points	<b>5 ECTS</b>

## 8. Conditions for course completion

Course completion criteria

Test one choice questions

Lectures (Final exam / Final pass)	
Grade 5:	90% - 100% of questions correct
Grade 4,5:	80% - 89% of questions correct
Grade 4:	70% - 79% of questions correct
Grade 3,5:	60% - 69% of questions correct
Grade 3:	51% - 59% of questions correct

## 9. Literature

### Basic literature

1. Facts Sheet Political System of Germany (pdf online: Research Office, Legislative Council Secretariat) (pdf)  
Bundestag and Bundesrat (materials from official webpage of German Parliament) (PDF)  
Małgorzata Maj, Coabitation: The Parliamentary aspect of the French Semi - Presidential System, EASTERN JOURNAL OF EUROPEAN STUDIES Volume 4, Issue 1, June 2013 (pdf)  
Nathalie BLANC-NOEL, Resolving the dilemma between equality and liberty: the Swedish political system, EASTERN JOURNAL OF EUROPEAN STUDIES Volume 4, Issue 1, June 2013 (pdf)  
PARLIAMENT: its Purpose and Role in the UK George Jones: Emeritus Professor of Government, London School of Economics and Political Science (pdf)  
Shifting the Balance? Parliament, the Executive and the British Constitution by Matthew Flinders, University of Sheffield, Political Studies 2002, vol 50 (23-42) (pdf)  
Unicameralism, Bicameralism, Multicameralism: Evolution and Trends in Europe by Paolo Passaglia, Perspectives on Federalism Vol 10, Issue 2, 2018 (PDF)  
(University of Birmingham — Political Systems Top Guide, Birmingham, 2014)

## 10. Additional information for students

the main articles in pdf will be distributed by the teacher or via mail or MS Teams

## 11. Information about academic teachers

### The person responsible for the card

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