

INSTITUTE OF POLISH STUDIES

Faculty of Humanities

Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University



EDUCATIONAL OFFER



The Institute of Polish Studies at the Faculty of Humanities of the Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw was established in 1999. In the recent parametrization evaluation (in 2017) the Ministry of Science and Higher Education awarded the Institute the A category. The evaluation was conducted by the Committee for Evaluation of Scientific Research Institutions (KEJN). The experts considered four main criteria: scientific and artistic achievements, scientific potential, practical outcomes of scientific and artistic activity, and other outcomes of scientific and artistic activity. The Institute of Polish Studies gathers Polish and international scholars with impressive scientific, artistic and didactic achievements and wide-ranging interests. Our lecturers include specialists in literature, language and culture as well as experts with considerable professional experience in many other areas (film, theatre, media, museums, business).

Polish Studies – first cycle and second cycle programme, full-time and part-time.

The basic curriculum of the programme includes knowledge of the history and theory of literature, and knowledge about the Polish language.

The Institute offers numerous courses, including courses on film, theatre, text editing, contemporary literature and linguistic communication.

Moreover, students may attend various courses according to the selected major, and information on their completion is given on the diploma.

The following majors are available:

editing studies
language and communication:
media, advertising, PR
theatre studies
film studies
teaching studies




The Faculty of Humanities offers numerous courses to choose from, including seminars in English.

Students may attend courses dedicated, for instance, to rhetoric, ancient Christian literature, culture of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, or the reception of antiquity in the Polish culture.

The employees of the Institute of Polish Studies are beneficiaries of grant programmes run by the most prominent institutions in Poland – the National Science Centre and the National Programme for the Development of Humanities.

Students may also study at other universities in Poland (through the MOST programme) and abroad (the ERASMUS programme), including Cambridge, Paris, Fribourg, Genoa, Ostrava, Olomouc, Vilnius and Budapest. The Institute of Polish Studies offers also numerous courses to choose from, including seminars in English.





The curriculum and the mode of study at the Institute of Polish Studies offer an excellent stepping stone to a professional career, usually started already during the studies. Our graduates are valued for their systematized knowledge in various fields, attention to the language they use, editing skills, and independent and creative thinking. They pursue careers in cultural institutions (theatres, museums), commercial and electronic media, in business, education and administration. This is fostered by the cooperation of the Faculty and the University with external institutions and companies. The programmes offered by the Faculty will also perfectly complement artistic or journalistic education.

In maintaining and improving the high level of research and teaching at the Institute, we follow such priorities as:

- developing research in the field of science of the Institute;
- networking with research institutions in Poland and abroad, and pursuing joint research initiatives with the Faculty of Humanities as the coordinating centre;
- seeking and applying modern research and teaching methods;
- maintaining a proven model of education in humanities
- in the field of philology (study of literature and language, including teaching Polish as a foreign language,

text editing, literary criticism, and transcultural literary research, while preserving the distinctive features of these disciplines) and cultural studies (theatre, film, cultural institutions), at the same time developing a new model of education that is multi- and interdisciplinary, and thus specific to, for instance, cultural studies; the curriculum of Polish studies includes now courses in aesthetics, to support the artistic view of literature; the cultural studies curriculum offers now courses on axiology in aesthetics and culture;

- preparing graduates to pursue further education and scientific work;
- maintaining a proper balance between general education characteristic of university study, to equip students in vast knowledge necessary to pursue varied professional challenges, and practical preparation to work in specific professions;
- participating in initiatives that bring together the Institute, its employees and graduates, as well as scientific, cultural and educational institutions from the Mazovia region and other regions of Poland.

The Institute offers a doctoral programme in the study of literature.

Admission of candidates to the 1st year of the doctoral programme is based on the individual interview and the analysis of the submitted documents.

Admission is by competition.

Students at our Institute may take part in the works of student scientific clubs of their choice – at present there are 11 active clubs at the Faculty. They may also pursue their interests and passions by joining the UKSW Choir, the Academic Theatre or the team at the UKSW radio station.

Since 2006 the Institute has been publishing semi-annual 'Colloquia Litteraria'.





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