

**Course Title:** Polish Culture and Civilization

**Course Code:** MCRU0823

**Type of course:** compulsory

**Level of course:** MA

**Year of study:** 1<sup>st</sup>

**Semester:** 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Number of ECTS credits allocated:** 8

**Name of lecturer:** Polish lecturer

**Course objective:** Introduction to Polish culture, civilization, and language

**Course contents:** Essential information on the main aspects of Polish civilization and culture. The geographical location of Poland, its location and national symbols. The ethnic structure, religion, political organization, political parties represented in the Polish Seim (Parliament), foreign policy and relations with other states. Some elements of Polish economy and the main directions of the country's evolution. The most important national holidays, feasts, religious feasts and related traditions. Polish history, literature, architecture and visual arts are presented in lectures which emphasize the specific contribution of Poles, including the Polish diaspora. Polish cinema.

**Recommended reading:** Braun Jerzy, *Poland in Christian Civilisation*, London 1993; Michałowska Teresa, *Średniowiecze*, Warszawa 2000; Święch Jerzy, *Literatura polska w latach II wojny światowej*, Warszawa 2000; Dobrowolski T. „*Sztuka polska*”, Warszawa 1997; *Wybrane problemy edukacji filmowej*. "Acta Universitatis Lodziensis. Folia Litteraria 2", Łódź 1981

**Teaching methods:** lectures, interactive approaches

**Assessment methods:** home assignments, essay, examination

**Language of instruction:** English, Russian, Romanian