

# Politics of Memory - course description

General information	
Course name	Politics of Memory
Course ID	05.5-WP-Poli2P-POM-21
Faculty	<a href="#">Faculty of Social Sciences</a>
Field of study	WNS - oferta ERASMUS / Politologia
Education profile	-
Level of studies	First-cycle Erasmus programme
Beginning semester	winter term 2022/2023

Course information	
Semester	1
ECTS credits to win	5
Course type	obligatory
Teaching language	english
Author of syllabus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>dr Anna Ratke-Majewska</li></ul>

Classes forms					
The class form	Hours per semester (full-time)	Hours per week (full-time)	Hours per semester (part-time)	Hours per week (part-time)	Form of assignment
Tutorial	15	1	-	-	Credit with grade

## Aim of the course

The aim of this course is to analyze the politics of memory, forms of commemoration and narratives of the past in public, academic and social discourse. Special attention will be paid to social media and online remembrance messages in the context of their role in maintaining memory and creating attitudes in society.

## Prerequisites

None.

## Scope

The politics of memory; forms of commemoration; memory narratives in public, academic, and social discourse; the role of internet messages in sustaining memory and in creating attitudes in society; open versus closed society; typologies of patriotism; extremism; types of attitudes toward dominant culture; typology of nationalism; fundamentalism.

## Teaching methods

Multimedia presentations; work with texts; work with audiovisual material; individual work; work in groups.

## Learning outcomes and methods of theirs verification

Outcome description	Outcome symbols	Methods of verification	The class form
Able to justify at a basic level his/her position and arguments in the course of discussion, referring to his/her own knowledge, world-view assumptions and cultural perceptions.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>discussion</li><li>preparation of presentations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Tutorial</li></ul>
Knows and understands what an open and closed society is, the types of attitudes toward the dominant culture, and what patriotism, extremism, nationalism, and fundamentalism are.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>activity during classes</li><li>current control during classes</li><li>discussion</li><li>observation and evaluation of activity during classes</li><li>preparation of presentations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Tutorial</li></ul>
Analyzes the politics of memory, forms of commemoration, and narratives relating to the past as they appear in public, academic, and social discourse.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>activity during classes</li><li>current control during classes</li><li>discussion</li><li>observation and evaluation of activity during classes</li><li>preparation of presentations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Tutorial</li></ul>

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Knows the extent of his/her knowledge and skills, understands the need for continuous learning.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>activity during classes</li> <li>current control during classes</li> <li>discussion</li> <li>observation and evaluation of activity during classes</li> <li>preparation of presentations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tutorial</li> </ul>
Knows and understands the role of commemoration and memory narratives in social and political life.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>activity during classes</li> <li>current control during classes</li> <li>discussion</li> <li>observation and evaluation of activity during classes</li> <li>preparation of presentations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tutorial</li> </ul>
Knows and understands what the politics of memory is, what it serves, and how it is shaped.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>activity during classes</li> <li>current control during classes</li> <li>discussion</li> <li>observation and evaluation of activity during classes</li> <li>preparation of presentations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tutorial</li> </ul>

## Assignment conditions

In order to pass the course, you must:

- 1) prepare presentations;
- 2) participate actively in classes.

## Recommended reading

- Assmann Jan, *Communicative and Cultural Memory*, [in:] P. Meusburger, M. Heffernan, E. Wunder (eds.), *Cultural Memories. The Geographical Point of View*, Dordrecht–Heidelberg–London–New York 2011, pp. 15-27.
- Cultural Memory Studies. An International and Interdisciplinary Handbook*, A. Erll, A. Nünning, Berlin–New York 2008.
- Marszałek-Kawa Joanna, Piechowiak-Lamparska Joanna, Ratke-Majewska Anna, Wawrzyński Patryk, *The Politics of Memory in Post-Authoritarian Transitions*, Volume One: Case Studies, Newcastle upon Tyne 2017.
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- Ratke-Majewska Anna, *An Account on a Social Network Site as a Site of Memory. Memory in the Internet Fake, Like and Hate. A New Expression of Polish Patriotism?*, "Przegląd Narodowościowy – Review of Nationalities" 2019, nr 9, pp. 237-246.
- Ratke-Majewska Anna, *Politics of memory*, [w:] *The Dictionary of Political Knowledge*, J. Marszałek-Kawa, D. Plecka (eds.), Toruń 2019, pp. 371-376.
- Ratke-Majewska Anna, *Site of memory*, [w:] *The Dictionary of Political Knowledge*, J. Marszałek-Kawa, D. Plecka (eds.), Toruń 2019, pp. 428-433.

## Further reading

Consistent with the presentation topics.

## Notes

None.

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