## Polish 1131 – POL1131 (5 credits); Spring 2017

## **Course Description**

The goal of Polish 1131 is to introduce the student to Polish language and culture. As a course for beginners, it is assumed that the student has little to no prior knowledge of the language.

### **Meeting time:**

MTWRF 9:35AM - 10:25AM

Classroom: CBD 0234 http://campusmap.ufl.edu/#/index/0105

#### **Instructor:**

Agata Kowalewska, PhD

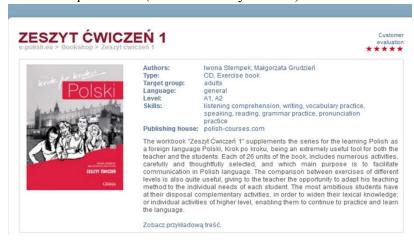
Office Hours: Mondays and Wednesdays 11AM - noon

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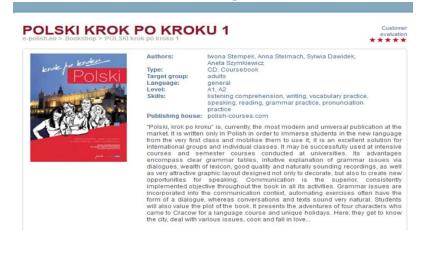
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# **Course Required Textbooks:**

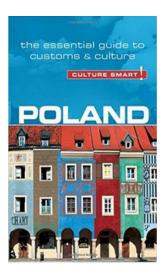
Polski krok po kroku 1 (workbook/zeszyt wiczeń)



### Polski krok po kroku 1 (Coursebook/ podręcznik)



### Poland - Culture Smart! by Greg Allen.



### **Course Recommended Books:**

A (very) Short Introduction to Beginning Polish Grammar: found at www.lulu.com Polish dictionary

## **Grading:**

Class Participation and Attendance	20%
Exams	25%
Quizzes and Homework	30%
Final Exam	25%
Total	100%

<u>Class Participation and Attendance</u>: A major part of learning any foreign language is its spoken usage. A language does not exist in a vacuum. To that end, 25% of your final grade in Polish 1131 will be determined by your attendance and participation in the classroom. Each day will be worth 4 points graded as follows:

### Attendance:

100% attendance on that day – came to class on time.

50% attendance on that day – came to class after 5 minutes

0% attendance on that day - was absent from class with no excuse

Everybody is allowed one unexcused absence all others need to follow UF policy.

## Participation (for any assigned work for next day class):

2pts - prepared for class activity by having assigned homework (not graded) done.

1pt - participate but not well prepared.

Opt - forgot to do assassin homework.

## **Grading scale**

A	100%	to 90.0%
A-	< 90.0%	to 86.0%
B+	< 86.0%	to 83.0%

В	< 83.0%	to 80.0%
B-	< 80.0%	to 76.0%
C+	< 76.0%	to 73.0%
C	< 73.0%	to 70.0%
C-	< 70.0%	to 66.0%
D+	< 66.0%	to 63.0%
D	< 63.0%	to 60.0%
D-	< 60.0%	to 56.0%
F	< 56.0%	to 0.0%

**Absence Policy**: Whether excused or unexcused, after 5 absences (other than that one allowed) your final grade will be docked 5%. After 10 absences you will be given a failing grade for the class. No excuses, no exceptions. In a language class it is vital that you are present and participate in class. If you already know that you will have to miss 10 classes this semester I highly recommend that you take a different class. (Of course this policy will be amended to accommodate religious holidays. Please speak with me if this concerns you.)

Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments, and other work in this course are consistent with university policies that can be found at:

https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx

### Tests, Quizzes, and Homework:

There will be 3 tests over the most recently reviewed material during the semester as well as a final exam at the end of the semester. There will also be smaller vocabulary quizzes. Assigned homework is expected on the given due date. Late homework will not be graded, no excuses and no exceptions. Part of this grade will also be determined by your work in the workbook, and "Verb Cards" which you will begin turning in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of class. **Unless I am notified in advance you cannot make up quizzes that you miss due to an absence.** 

**Workbooks**: Exercises to be handed in from your workbooks will be assigned as we proceed through the semester. You should keep up with the chapters on your own at home. You will also need to bring your workbooks to class as we will sometimes complete exercises from them.

**Final Exam:** The final exam will be cumulative; covering everything we will have studied by then.

**Culture Reports:** Beginning in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of class you will choose a general subject on Polish culture. I will need to approve your choice before you begin work. Each week (on Monday) you will turn in a 1 page, double spaced report on what new you've discovered on this subject. At the end of the semester you will synthesize these reports and give 5-10 min presentation.

**A Note on Language Learning:** Most of the learning you will do will actually be accomplished on your own at home. Meeting only 5 hours a week can only do so much. You are expected to study and review what has been introduced during class time. If you are serious about learning Polish you will have to do extra work at home!

Information on current UF grading policies for assigning grade points This may be achieved by including a link to the web page: <a href="https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx">https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx</a>.

Cheating: Don't do it. You're college students after all. If any student is discovered cheating it will result in an automatic failing grade.

### **UF HONESTY POLICY**

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment." The Honor Code

(http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honorcode/) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class

#### STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

If you have a disability, you may qualify for special accommodations and auxiliary aids. In order for any needed accommodations to be implemented in a timely fashion, you need to contact the Disability Resource Center – 352-392-8565 – or talk to me as soon as possible. Any communication between students, DRC, and the instructor will be strictly confidential.

### **COMPORTMENT POLICY**

While you should feel free to express your ideas, slurs and epithets based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation and preference, religious practice, etc. will not be tolerated. Any disruptive, obnoxious, or disrespectful behavior may result in dismissal from the classroom and other disciplinary action. I trust that we can all avoid such situations and create a safe classroom environment. This can be easily achieved through mutual respect for one another.

# **DISCLAIMER**

Any part of this syllabus is subject to change, according to the needs and/or progression of the class. This syllabus is not exhaustive; I reserve the right to implement any reasonable methods not included in the syllabus if they serve the pedagogical purpose of the class.

Contact information for the Counseling and Wellness Center:

http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/Default.aspx, 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

### Semester schedule

Week starting Monday

1	Jan 2nd	Review material from POL1130 Friday reading
2	Jan 9th	Monday quiz – fall semester review Friday reading
3	Jan 16th	Monday – no class Tuesday – "Monday quiz" chapter 11

		chapter 12 Chapter from <i>Poland</i> Friday reading
4	Jan 23rd	Monday quiz chapter 12  Culture Report - topic chapter 13  Friday reading
5	Jan 30th	<b>Test 1</b> - Monday Jan 30th: chapters 11-13 chapter 14 Friday <i>Culture Report</i> work and reading
6	Feb 6th	Monday quiz chapter 14 chapter 15 Friday <i>Culture Report</i> work and reading
7	Feb 13th	Monday quiz chapter 15 chapter 16 Chapter from <i>Poland</i> Friday <i>Culture Report</i> work and reading
8	Feb 20th	Monday quiz chapter 16 Revisions chapters 11-16 Friday reading
9	Feb 27th	<b>Test 2</b> - Monday February 20 (chapters 14-16) Polish poets Friday reading
10	Mar. 6th	Spring Break
11	Mar. 13th	chapter 17 Friday <i>Culture Report</i> work and reading
12	March 20th	Monday quiz chapter 17 chapter 18 Chapter from <i>Poland</i> Friday <i>Culture Report</i> work and reading
13	March 27th	Monday quiz chapter 18 chapter 19 Friday reading
14	Apr. 3rd	<b>Test 3</b> - Monday April 3 (chapters 17-19) chapter 20 Friday <i>Culture Report</i> work and reading
15	Apr. 10th	Monday quiz chapter 20 chapter 21 Friday reading
16	Apr 17th	Monday quiz chapter 21 chapter 22
		Final exam: April 24, 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Classroom: CBD 0234