

This Program offers:

PLSH 2300 Polish Culture: an Introduction

The approach of the course will in general be historical in order to familiarize the students with "palimpsest" of Polish history. This naturally will allow the course to serve as a kind of overview of stages of European culture "in microcosm" as well as what is unique to Polish culture, and what reflects larger "world" trends.

PLSH 3310 History of 20th. Century Poland

The political history of 20th. Century of Poland is marked by many extreme transformations and discontinuities, including a couple experiences of partition, as well as radical ideological shifts on the part of the state, understanding these goes a long way toward understanding many of vicissitudes of modern Polish history.

PLSH 3320 History of Texas-Polonia

The past 235 years of history concerning the Polish immigration to Texas, reasons for their departure and their contributions to Texas/US as it relates to economics, religion, politics, and culture.

PLSH 3330 Contemporary Polish Cinema

The course is intended as a review of Polish cinema from 1945 to the present day, as an example of national and European cinema. We will look at the films from both historical and aesthetic perspectives to show the main trends of Polish cinema, such as Socialist realism, Polish film school, cinema of moral concern, etc.

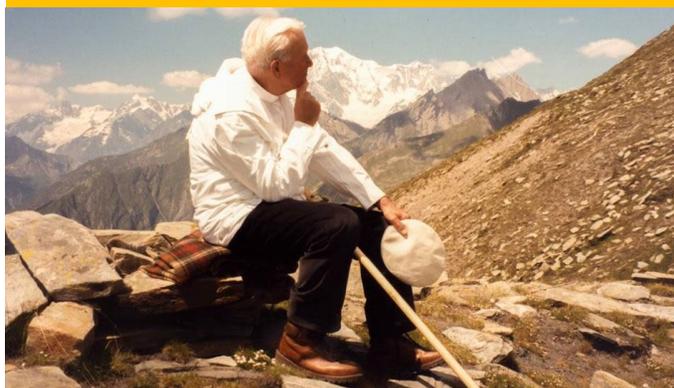
PLSH 3315 History of XVI-XIX Centuries

The key aspects of over 300 years of Polish history from the so-called "Golden Age" of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth in the sixteenth century to the partitions of Poland in the nineteenth century and national uprisings.

"I am the son of a Nation which its neighbors have condemned to death several times, but which has survived and remained itself. It has kept its identity in spite of partitions and foreign occupations by relying on its culture. This culture turned out in the circumstances to be more powerful than all other forces".

Joannes Paulus PP II

Pope St. John Paul II
Speech to UNESCO 1980



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The Saint Jadwiga Scholarship Fund

Saint Jadwiga was the Queen of Poland in the late 14th century. She was active in promoting culture and education, and in serving the poor. Pope John Paul II canonized her in 1987.



Each student enrolled in the Polish Studies courses is eligible to receive a scholarship.

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Poland

A Country With 1000 Years of History

Besides, Poland is:

- Wonderful castles
- Beautiful art
- Great universities
- Important battles
- Delicious food
- Warm people and hospitality
- Creative literature
- Land of Saints and Shrines
- Native land of a great Pope: Saint John Paul II



Minor in Polish Studies - 18 cr

A minor requires 18 hours of study

Two Courses in the Polish Language

The student must take 2 semesters of language study.

Two Required Courses

Required for the program:

- An Introduction to Polish Culture and History
- History of 20th. Century Poland

Two elective courses

- Polish Film or
- Polish Art or
- Contemporary Poland or
- Polish Emigration to Texas

Study abroad

The student may select to study abroad for 15 days to a whole semester.

