Polish classes in 2021 / 2022

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-Course schedule (as of April 7, 2021) subject to change without notice.

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Polish Culture Courses

POL 1900 (A01): Love, Heroes and Patriotism in Contemporary Poland (3) MWF 2:30-3:20 (Winter 2022)

This course gives consideration to the distinctive characteristics of Polish culture and identifies its contribution to, and participation in, the European experience. Students will examine the impact that ideals of the Romanticism had on contemporary Polish national consciousness, image of love and the role of art and artist. The course is designed to give students a better understanding of modern Poles and their culture. The course explores diverse written and visual sources representing Polish and European Romanticism and its mutual influences. English writing requirement (W). There are no prerequisites for the course. Students without prior knowledge of Polish culture are welcome in this course. This course can be taken as a part of a Polish Minor requirement.

POL 2610 (A01): Polish Culture 1918 to the Present (3) MWF 1:30-2:20 (Fall 2021)

An introductory survey from 1918 to the present. This is a lecture style course devoted to studying the achievements of Polish culture and their impact on shaping of the contemporary Polish society. Students will observe the cultural changes that defined Poland following one hundred years of non-existence as a nation. The reexamining of the Polish national identity will be studied through documents from
literature, art, mythology and music. English writing requirement (W). There are no prerequisites for the course. Students without prior knowledge of Polish culture are welcome in this course. This course can be taken as a part of a Polish Minor requirement.

**Polish Language Courses**

**POL 1890 (A01): Introductory Polish (6) MWF 9:30-10:20; Labs & Conversation (B01) F 8:30-9:20**

This is a basic course for students with little or no knowledge of Polish Language. It provides an elementary command of spoken and written Polish, and an understanding of the language’s grammatical structure. The emphasis will be on practical skills: introductions, describing interests, and responding to questions. Cultural content is introduced during the learning of these skills. Polish is used as much as possible in the classroom to give the students a chance to improve their listening and comprehension. Brief readings from the textbook will serve as the basis for exercises in writing. This course can be taken as a part of a Polish Minor requirement.

**POL 3892 (A01): Advanced Polish: Conversational Strategies (3) MW 2:30-3:45**

Development of skills in spoken and written Polish, within the context of contemporary Polish culture, via a variety of sources, such as: news articles, comics, music. Students may not hold credit for both POL 3892 and the former POL 3890. Prerequisite: [a grade of "C" or better in POL 2890] or written consent of department head. This course fulfills Polish Minor requirement.

**POL 3894 (A01): Advanced Polish Through Short Stories (3) M 6:00-7:15 (Winter 2022)**

Development of advanced language skills: writing, reading, listening comprehension, and speaking. Exploration and analysis of Polish cultural tropes within the context of short stories. Students may not hold credit for both POL 3894 and the former POL 3890. Prerequisite: [a grade of "C" or better in POL 2890] or written consent of department head. This course fulfills Polish Minor requirement.

If you have any questions or need further advice contact Magda Blackmore @ Magda.Blackmore@umanitoba.ca