

# SYLLABUS

**SUBJECT: AMERICAN SOCIETY (LECTURE)**

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## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The aim of the course is to present American Society in the context of its racial, ethnic, and religious composition.

### Topics covered:

Native Americans – Northeast and Southeast Woodlands  
Native Americans – the Plains, Southwest and Northwest  
European Immigrants  
Asian Immigrants and Latin Americans  
African Americans  
Gender Issues  
Globalisation and Consumer Culture

## **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Students should be able to make contrastive analysis referring to multicultural societies. They should develop sensitivity in terms of minority issues concerning both ethnic and gender aspects.

## **GRADING POLICY**

Grading based on test results and class participation.

## **TIMETABLE**

1 hr a week.

## **TEXTBOOK AND REQUIRED MATERIALS**

**Alan M. Kraut** "From Foreign Shores" [in:] *American Studies Newsletter*, September 1991.  
**Bromhead P.**, *Life in Modern America*, Longman, Harlow: 1992.  
**Diniejko A.**, *English-Speaking Countries – an Introduction to the United States of America*, Egis, Kraków: 2005.  
**Heath, Joseph i Andrew Potter**, *Nation of Rebels. Why Counterculture Became Consumer Culture*, HarperBusiness, New York: 2005.  
**Jurczyński T.**, *Dictionary of the USA*, WSiP, Warszawa: 1995.  
**Kral T.**, *Twelve Famous Americans*, U.S. Information Agency, Washington D.C.: 1994.  
**Kral T.**, *Portraits in Words*, U.S. Information Agency, Washington D.C.: 1992.  
**Lester David and Irene David** "America's National Symbols" [in:] *American Studies Newsletter*, September 1991.  
**Luedtke, Luther, S.**, *Making America*, United States Information Agency: 1995.  
**Schroeder R.C., i N. Glick**, *An Outline of American Government*, U.S. Information Agency, Washington D.C.: 1990.  
**Shelly Orenstein** "American Indians" [in:] *American Studies Newsletter*, January 1995.  
**Stevenson D.K.**, *American Life and Institutions*, USIA, Washington D.C.: 1997.

**Tiersky E.**, *The USA – Customs and Institutions*, Prentice Hall Regents, New Jersey: 1990.  
**Tindal G.B. i D.E. Shi**, *Historia Stanów Zjednoczonych*, Zysk i S-ka, Poznań: 1996.  
**Oakland J. i D. Mauk**, *American Civilization*, Routledge, London and New York: 2001.

**PREREQUISITES:**

Language fluency – at least advanced level.