The University of Texas at Austin
Department of Slavic and Eurasian Studies
Spring 2013

First Year Polish II
POL 507

COURSE SYLLABUS

Class meetings:	**MTWTHF 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.** **MWF MEZ 2.122 TTh MEZ 1.104**
Instructor:	**Bernadeta Kaminska**
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Office Hours:	**Tuesday and Thursday 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.** **or by appointment**
Textbook:	**„Krok po kroku" Polski Level A1** **Iwona Stempek, Anna Stelmach** **Glossa, Krakow, Poland** **available at Coop**
Course description:	**POL 506 or instructor's consent** **No auditing allowed.**
Course Requirements:	**You are expected to be in class and arrive on time, participate, do all homework, take quizzes and exams.**

Grading:

30%	**Quizzes (grammar, vocabulary, listening, reading)**
10%	**Written assignments**
5%	**Culture presentation**
10%	**Attendance and participation**
15%	**Midterm Oral**
15%	**Homework**
15%	**Final Oral Interview**

Quizzes

You will have vocabulary, grammar, and quizzes checking your listening and reading comprehension through the semester.
The instructor reserves the right to not announced quizzes. Come prepared to class!
You can make up the quiz if you are absent, but you need to arrange with me the make up in my office ASAP.

Midterm Oral

You will be scheduled to meet with me to have a conversation in Polish.

Culture presenation

This semester culture presentation will guide us through major Polish cities. The instructor will provide a list and a grading rubric.

Homework

All assignments must be handed in on the day they were assigned for. If you miss the class, turn in your homework ASAP.
They are not graded for correctness.
You must print your homework from the internet platform of the textbook.
Exceptions: You will have written assignments. You need to turn it in by the deadline, no later since I want to monitor your progress. You will be assigned a grade for some of the written paragraphs. Some will be just for practice.

Attendance/ Participation

This course meets five days a week for 50 minutes. Attendance is very important. You may miss a total of 4 class meetings without occurring any penalty. Further absences will count against your participation grade.
You will miss one point from your final grade points for every additional absence.

Please, be on time. The tests and quizzes will start and finish for all students at the same time. If you show up late, you have lost time – and I will not repeat instructions or oral questions that you have missed. You have to finish the test or quiz at the same time as other students.

Final Exam

This is going to be a final oral interview conducted in Polish in my office.

Extra Credit:

I would like you to reach out to the Polish Community in Austin.
I will announce events organized by Austin Polish Society. You can check out their website www.austinpolishsociety.org
Try to attend at least on event this spring. It will give you the opportunity to meet native speakers, taste our Polish food, practice your language skills, and expand your culture knowledge.
There might be more opportunities like Explore UT etc.
The maximum allowed extra points is three.

A few reminders on courtesy:

- **No eating, drinking chewing gum in class**
- **No texting during class**
- **No use of laptops, iPods, or other electronic devices**
- **Don't talk to other students if a student is asking a question, or I'm responding to this question, or if I'm addressing the whole class**
- **Put you cell phone into SILENT mode. If your phone goes off during a test or quiz, you will lose 5 points on that test or quiz.**
- **Be on time! Don't interrupt.**

Grades

100-90	**A**
89-80	**B**
79-70	**C**
69-60	**D**
59 and less	**F**

No plus and minus.

Academic Dishonesty:

Please, check Registrar Office Honor Code Chapter 11. Student Discipline and Conduct
"Academic dishonesty" or "scholastic dishonesty" includes, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, falsifying academic records, misrepresenting facts, and any act designed to give unfair academic advantage to the student (such as, but not limited to, submission of essentially the same written assignment for two classes without the prior permission of the instructor), or the attempt to commit such an act.

Students with Disabilities

Students with disabilities may request appropriate academic accommodations from the SSD.

Religious Holidays:

A student who misses classes or other required activities, including examinations, for the observance of a religious holy day should inform the instructor as far in advance of the absence as possible, so that arrangements can be made to complete an assignment within a reasonable time after the absence.

COURSE SCHEDULE (subject to change)**

In Polish 507 we will cover lessons 13-26 from the Textbook "Krok po kroku"

Week 1
Introduction to course
Lesson 13
How do you spend your free time? Past tense, verbs to go

Week 2
Lesson 14
Asking for directions. Verbs of motion, personal pronouns in accusative

Week 3
Lesson 15
Shopping, packaging, post office. Genitive plural of nouns, adjectives, and pronouns

Week 4
Lesson 16
Future plans, weather, months, seasons. Adverbs, future tense.

Week 5
Lesson 17
Expressing feelings, opinions. Verbs to like, personal pronouns in dative.

Week 6
Lesson 18
Apartment, furniture, appliances. Locative case singular and plural, prepositions with location

Week 7
Lesson 19
Looking and renting an apartment. Static prepositions

Week 8
Lesson 20
Train station, touristic attractions in Poland. Static and dynamic prepositions
Midterm Oral Interviews

Week 9
Lesson 21
Biography, wishes. Aspect of verbs in the past tense, dates

Week 10
Lesson 22
Weekends plans, making phone call. Aspect in the future tense.
Easter traditions

Week 11
Lesson 23
Shopping for cloths, making compliments. Comparative and superlative of adjectives

Week 12
Lesson 24
At the hair salon, fitness studio, body parts, appearance. Comparative and superlative of adverbs

Week 13
Lesson 25
At the doctor's and dentist's office, giving advice, idioms with body parts. The verb ought to.

Week 14
Lesson 26
Getting information, making requests, accidents, customer service. Conditional mood, the verb to want

Week 15
Final Oral Interviews