

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

Second Year Polish II
POL 312L
Spring 2013

COURSE SYLLABUS

Class meetings: MEZ 2.118
MWF 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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Textbook: „Krok po kroku” Polski Level A2
Iwona Stempek, Anna Stelmach
Glossa, Krakow, Poland
Available at Coop

Course Description: The Second Year Polish continues the exploration of the language. The course will emphasize proficiency in contemporary Polish: listening, reading, speaking, and writing. Second Year Polish seeks to integrate knowledge of the culture and society of contemporary Poland with the acquisition of grammar and vocabulary.

Course Requirements: You are expected to be in class on time, participate, do all homework and assigned coursework, take quizzes and exams.

Grading:

Quizzes	30%
Attendance and participation	10%
Homework	15%
Written assignments	15%
Midterm Oral	15%
Final Oral	15%

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.

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.

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 three 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.austinpolsishsociety.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 312L we will start with lesson 9 from the Textbook “Krok po kroku”A2

Week 1

Introduction to course

Lesson 9

Week 2

Lesson 10

Week 3

Lesson 10

Week 4

Lesson 11

Week 5

Lesson 12

Week 6

Lesson 12

Week 7

Lesson 13

Week 8

Midterm Oral Interviews

Week 9

Lesson 13

Week 10

Lesson 14

Easter traditions

Week 11

Lesson 14

Week 12

Lesson 15

Week 13

Lesson 16

Week 14
Lesson 17

Week 15
Lesson 18

Week 16
Final Oral Interviews