

Subject name	International Rural Development	
Subject code	R.9s.X.IRD.NI.RROAY	
Department	Social Policy and Agricultural Extension	
Faculty	Agriculture and Economics	
Subject supervisor/Lecturer	Prof. Czesław Nowak, Dr.	
General information	semester	Winter or summer
	ECTS credits	4
	Lectures total	15 hrs
	Laboratories	15 hrs
Objective and general description	<p>The process of international economic development, with special attention to rural areas and the agricultural sector. The factors responsible for growth and transformation in urban and rural areas. Government policies that enhance the prospects for growth and environmental sustainability. The linkages among the industrial, natural resource and agricultural sectors. Methods for analyzing the agricultural sector to determine better policies.</p> <p><u>Lectures</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction: nature of economic development 2. Definitions of rural areas in different countries, 3. The traditional and new (additional) role of agriculture in selected countries 4. Demography of rural areas - new threats and challenges 5. Cultural heritage of rural areas and community development 6. Income inequality and poverty in rural areas 7. Rural areas and agriculture in conflicting countries/ regions 8. Institutional support of rural development – national and international 9. Controversial issues of agriculture and rural and ag policies 10. Controversial issues of agriculture – cont. 11. Traditional vs. modern agriculture (small farms, commercial farms) 12. International NGOs focused on rural development 13. Arguments of anti- and alter- globalists relating to agriculture and rural issues 14. Factors of non-agricultural economic activities and rural areas development 15. Summary, additional information on selected topics related to IRD <p><u>Classes</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction: information on classes organization, team or individual tasks, credit requirements, etc. 2.– 14. Presentations of chosen topics elaborated by individuals or teams / discussion on presented topics <p>Suggested: wide range of rural issues - including different countries social, economic, environmental aspects (preferably non-EU)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 15. Summary 	

Assessment method	Written: three questions and one issue analysis. Each for 2 – 5 points: Total: max. 4 x 5 points = 20 points Classes: based on the quality of elaboration and presentation of the chosen topic
References	Publications of FAO, OECD, World Bank, OXFAM, Malcolm Gillis, Dwight H. Perkins, Michael Roemer, and Donald Snodgrass, Economics of Development, New York: Norton, 4th Edition-1996 William Easterly, The Elusive Quest for Growth: Economists' Adventures and Misadventures in the Tropics. MIT Press, 2001.