

Course title:	Contaminant migration in the soil-water environment
Course title in Polish:	Migracja zanieczyszczeń w środowisku gruntowo-wodnym
Course for discipline:	Civil engineering, geodesy and transport

Semester:	4	Status of course:	faculty	Language:	english
Academic year:	2026/2027	Catalog number:	86/2025/26		

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Executing unit:	Department of Sustainable Construction and Geodesy
Ordering unit:	Doctoral School SGGW
Assumptions, goals and description of the course:	The course aims to provide doctoral students with a basic understanding of soil and water pollution, and the factors that cause it. The course will cover the following topics: (1) the hydrogeological properties of soil, (2) methods for determining contaminant migration parameters in groundwater, (3) the physical, chemical and biological mechanisms responsible for contaminant migration, (4) the assessment of groundwater susceptibility to pollution, (5) the integration of field, laboratory and modelling data, (6) the modelling of groundwater flow and contaminant transport in the vicinity of selected facilities that are sources of groundwater contamination, (7) the design of monitoring, risk assessment and remediation activities for contaminated sites. Students will be introduced to interdisciplinary data analysis tools and prepared to critically analyse scientific literature and draw conclusions about current research trends and environmental challenges.
Didactic form, number of hours:	15 hours
Teaching methods:	Presentations using audiovisual methods, problem-based presentations (either individual or in groups), discussions, case studies, project exercises.
Limit of people in the group:	15

Learning outcomes

KNOWLEDGE - the graduate knows and understands:	SKILLS - the graduate is able to:	COMPETENCES - the graduate is ready to:
To the extent enabling to revise the existing paradigms in the field/discipline - the world achievements, gathering theoretical background as well as general and selected detailed issues	Carry out critical assessment of the scientific research findings and expert activities and their contribution to the knowledge development in the field/discipline	Critically evaluate the achievements in the field/discipline represented
Major general development trends in the field/discipline		Recognise knowledge in solving cognitive and practical problems characteristic for the area of research (field/discipline) and in an interdisciplinary aspect
		Support the ethos of scientific circles and conduct independent research
The method of verification of learning outcomes:	Assessment of student activity based on observation during classes, assessment of data analysis, interpretation skills and scientific literature, assessment of oral presentation on a selected research topic.	
Form of documentation of achieved learning outcomes:	Multimedia presentations, student evaluation cards, entry in the eHMS system.	
Elements and weights of the final grade:	Final grade: 25% – assessment of the doctoral student's activity based on observation during classes, 25% – assessment of involvement in discussions and exercises carried out during classes, 50% – assessment of the presentation of a selected research topic.	
Place of the course:	Classroom	

Basic and supplementary literature

Basic literature:	
1. Dąbrowski S., i inni, 2011: Metodyka modelowania matematycznego w badaniach i obliczeniach hydrogeologicznych. Poradnik metodyczny, Poznań.	
2. Dowgiało J., Kleczkowski A. S., Macioszczyk T., Rózkowski A. (red.), 2002: Słownik hydrogeologiczny. Państwowy Instytut Geologiczny, Warszawa.	
3. Kleczkowski A., i inni, 1984: Ochrona wód podziemnych, Wydawnictwa Geologiczne.	
4. Małecki J. i inni, 2006: Wyznaczanie parametrów migracji zanieczyszczeń w ośrodku porowatym dla potrzeb badań hydrogeologicznych i ochrony środowiska, Poradnik metodyczny, UW Wydział Geologii, Warszawa.	
5. Pazdro Z., Kozerski B., 1990: Hydrogeologia ogólna., PAE, Warszawa.	
6. Witczak, S., Adamczyk, A., 1995: Katalog wybranych fizycznych i chemicznych wskaźników zanieczyszczeń wód podziemnych i metod ich oznaczania, t.1. PIOŚ. Biblioteka Monitoringu Środowiska, Warszawa.	
Supplementary literature:	
1. Appelo, C.A.J., Postma, D., 1999: Geochemistry, groundwater and pollution. A.A. Balkema, Rotterdam, Brookfield.	
2. Domenico P.A., Schwartz F.W., 1990: Physical and chemical hydrogeology. John Wiley & Sons, USA.	
3. Fetter C.W., 1994: Applied hydrogeology. Prentice Hall. Inc. A Simon & Schuster Company Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, USA.	
4. Rowe, R.K., Quigley, R.M., Brachman, R.W.I., Booker, J.R., 2004: Clayey barrier systems for waste disposal facilities. 2nd edition. CRC Press, Boca Raton, USA.	
5. Yong, R.M., Mulligan, C.N., 2004: Natural attenuation of contaminants in soils. CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL.	
6. Yong, R.N., Nakano, M., Pusch, R., 2012: Environmental Soil Properties and Behaviour. CRC Press Taylor and Francis Group, Boca Raton.	
Comments:	

Estimated number of hours of work of the doctoral student necessary to achieve the assumed learning outcomes:	30
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Lerning outcomes reference to the second degree characteristics of the National Qualification Framework (level 8) covering doctoral competences:

Symbol:	Learning outcomes:	8 level NQF
SD1_KW01	To the extent enabling to revise the existing paradigms in the field/discipline - the world achievements, gathering theoretical background as well as general and selected detailed issues	P8S_WG
SD1_KW02	Major general development trends in the field/discipline	P8S_WG
SD1_KU05	Carry out critical assessment of the scientific research findings and expert activities and their contribution to the knowledge development in the field/discipline	P8S_UW
SD1_KK01	Critically evaluate the achievements in the field/discipline represented	P8S_KK
SD1_KK03	Recognise knowledge in solving cognitive and practical problems characteristic for the area of research (field/discipline) and in an interdisciplinary aspect	P8S_KK
SD1_KK08	Support the ethos of scientific circles and conduct independent research	P8S_KR