

Indirect recognition of social competences.
Case studies of University of Warsaw.

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Polish Higher Education System and RPL

- Article 71 of Higher Education and Science Act of 2018
 - Requirements:
 - Positive accreditation of a study program by Polish Accreditation Committee
 - Scientific Category A+, A or B+ for the main scientific discipline of the study program
 - Only as a method of enrolment procedure (no more than 20% enrolled in this way)
 - Maximum of 50% of ECTS assigned to study program can be recognised in this way



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 Therefore it is not possible to officially recognise any competences gained during the course of studies



University of Warsaw

- In a few particular cases the University of Warsaw attempts to minimise the workload of a student involved in particular activities e.g.
 - Students volunteering in scholarship committees
 - Name of the course: Scholarship Fund for Students Higher Education Act, Administrative law, University Regulations
 - Students involved in University's Choir
 - Name of the course: Theatre
 - Students involved in University's theatre group
 - Name of the course: Choir music
- These students have the opportunity to take up an elective courses which have assigned ECTS and learning outcomes
- Both the ECTS and learning outcomes are supposed to cover the contents of the course and the activity of the student.



Scholarship Fund for Students – Higher Education Act, Administrative law, University Regulations

- Created in 2008 as an answer for the dwindling number of students active in scholarship committees
- Initially conducted in a lecture hall in a form of 2-3 meetings and an exam as a verification method for the learning outcomes connected with knowledge
- Presently conducted as a online course wth repository of materials which students can use in their everyday volunteer work in the committees
- Average workload of a student in a committee was determined to be 90h a year – therefore the course gives 3 ECTS.



Theatre

- Created as a course for students who are part of Teatr Hybrydy theatre group at the University of Warsaw
- Conducted mainly in the form of rehearsals and group meetings
- Average workload of a student in this theatre group was determined to be 370h a year – therefore the course gives 12 ECTS.



Choir music

- Created as a course for students who are part of the Academic Choir of the University of Warsaw
- Conducted mainly in the form of rehearsals
- Average workload of a student course is supposed to be 60h a year – the course gives 6 ECTS.



Common elements

- Courses not open to every student you have to be an active member of a theatre group, Academic Choir or a scholarship committee
- Awarded a lot of ECTS comparing to other courses
- Takes into consideration elements outside of classroom – rehearsals when it comes to theatre or choir or duty hours when it comes to the scholarship committee
- Verifies skills and social comptences gained through being an active student
- Way of relieving more active students from taking up additional elective courses





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