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# Pultusk Academy of Humanities

**About School.** Great works are often inspired by a human dream. Such was, as quite a number of the founders declare, the origin of Pultusk Academy of Humanities (formerly: Pultusk School of Humanities), a school for higher education opened in a small town, actively pursuing its statutory activity and providing its students with quality education. The "ATENA" Academic Education and Research Society, the founding body of Pultusk School of Humanities, by making its successful attempt at turning that idea into reality, over 10 years ago, made it possible for lots of young people to obtain higher education.

The history of Pultusk Academy of Humanities is a continuation of the history of Pultusk School of Humanities established on 14th July, 1994. That was when the Minister of National Education entered the School into the national Register of Higher Education Schools. It was also then that the School was authorized to run undergraduate-level courses in the following fields of study: Polish Language and Literature, History, Education Studies. A year later (on 28th April, 1995) the Minister of National Education authorized Pultusk School of Humanities to launch courses in some other fields of study as well, i.e. in Administration, Political Science, and

Environmental Protection. On 30th September, 1996, the Minister of Education, under a resolution passed by the Main Council for Higher Education dated 18th September, 1996, authorized the School to run graduate degree programs.

The meaningful high-standards education delivered at the School, the educational efforts of all its lecturers, and the eagerness of its students were rewarded on 26th March, 2001, when the Central Commission for Academic Titles and Degrees, after seeking an advisory opinion of the Main Council for Higher Education, authorized the School's Faculty of History to confer doctoral degrees in History. On 22nd April, 2002, similar authorization was granted to the Faculty of Political Science. Moreover, under the Decision of the Minister of National Education and Sport of 17th November, 2003, the School was permitted to conduct undergraduate-level courses of study in yet another field: Tourism and Recreation. On 2nd July, 2004, the Minister of Education authorized Pultusk School of Humanities to run undergraduate-level courses of study in the field of Sociology. Consequently, the School is currently able to provide higher education in five fields of study. On 22nd March, 2002, Pultusk School of Humanities was named

after Aleksander Gieysztor (Wyższa Szkoła Humanistyczna im. Aleksandra Gieysztorą w Pułtusk), an outstanding and world famous historian, co-founder of the School and its ex-lecturer of a long standing.

The School was also "a dream that had come true" to its more than thirty thousand alumni equipped with knowledge and competence acquired under the guidance of the School Faculty made up of more than a thousand members, including outstanding scholars. All this has been achieved within as little time as one decade only. Ten years have been enough time for the School to arrange for its own educational facilities, including the impressive Central Library named after Andrzej Bartnicki, the First Rector of Pultusk School of Humanities. The Academy of Humanities Central Library was founded in 1995. Its contemporary building – which has all the essential amenities expected of a modern library, comprises a total of 2000 square meters of floor space, opened its doors in the academic year 2001-2002.

Under Decision of the Minister of Science and Higher Education dated 19th September, 2006, Pultusk School of Humanities has been renamed Pultusk Academy of Humanities, AH.

## Fields of study in Polish

- **administracja** Administration
- **historia** History
- **politologia** Political Studies
- **bezpieczeństwo narodowe** National Security
- **pedagogika** Education Studies

**Facts & figures:** Founded in 1994 • 156 academic staff • 2 000 students (75% women) • 262 doctoral students • 34 foreign students

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