



**Uniwersytet
Gdański**

**University of
Gdańsk,
our academic
friend in Poland.**

John P. Dunn,
History, VSU.



“Your path is through the sea.” UG is very focused on connecting with the greater world.

An interesting article on the history of UG’s motto...

<http://armaria.info/?p=205>.

Some UG factoids...

- UG has 1700 teaching personnel.
- Over 25,000 students.
- A large central campus in the Oliwa district, plus several branches in other parts of Gdańsk, Sopot, and Gdynia.
- The History Department is very large, 1150 students in 2021, with options for BA, MA, Ph.D.
- VSU students can join the American Studies program, where all classes are offered in English, and U.S. history is very well covered.

UG's place in History.

- Here is a video on the university's first fifty years, it is mainly images, with brief Polish sub-titles. You'll get most of what is being portrayed even if you can't read Polish.

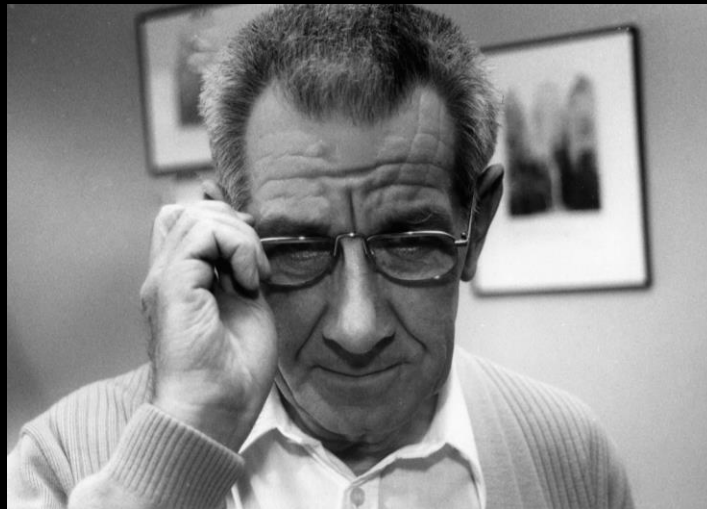
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=52np5TtSZjE&t=12s>

- UG has its own museum...<https://muzeauczelniane.pl/en/museum-of-the-university-of-gdansk/>.



A new university with a lot of history.

- UG was born in 1970 – the year a sharp increase in food prices led to nation-wide protests across Poland.
- Gdańsk was no exception, and within a decade, gave birth to the Solidarity Movement.
- UG students, faculty, and administrators were part of this story.
- Robert Głębocki, the university's second rector, was dismissed for his support of Solidarity in 1982; three years later, another Rector, Karol Taylor, lost his position for demanding an investigation for the police murder of Marcin Antonowicz.
- The student was beaten to death after presenting a UG student ID – considered evidence enough that he was a troublemaker.
<https://ug.edu.pl/news/en/808/university-gdansk-remembers-marcin>.



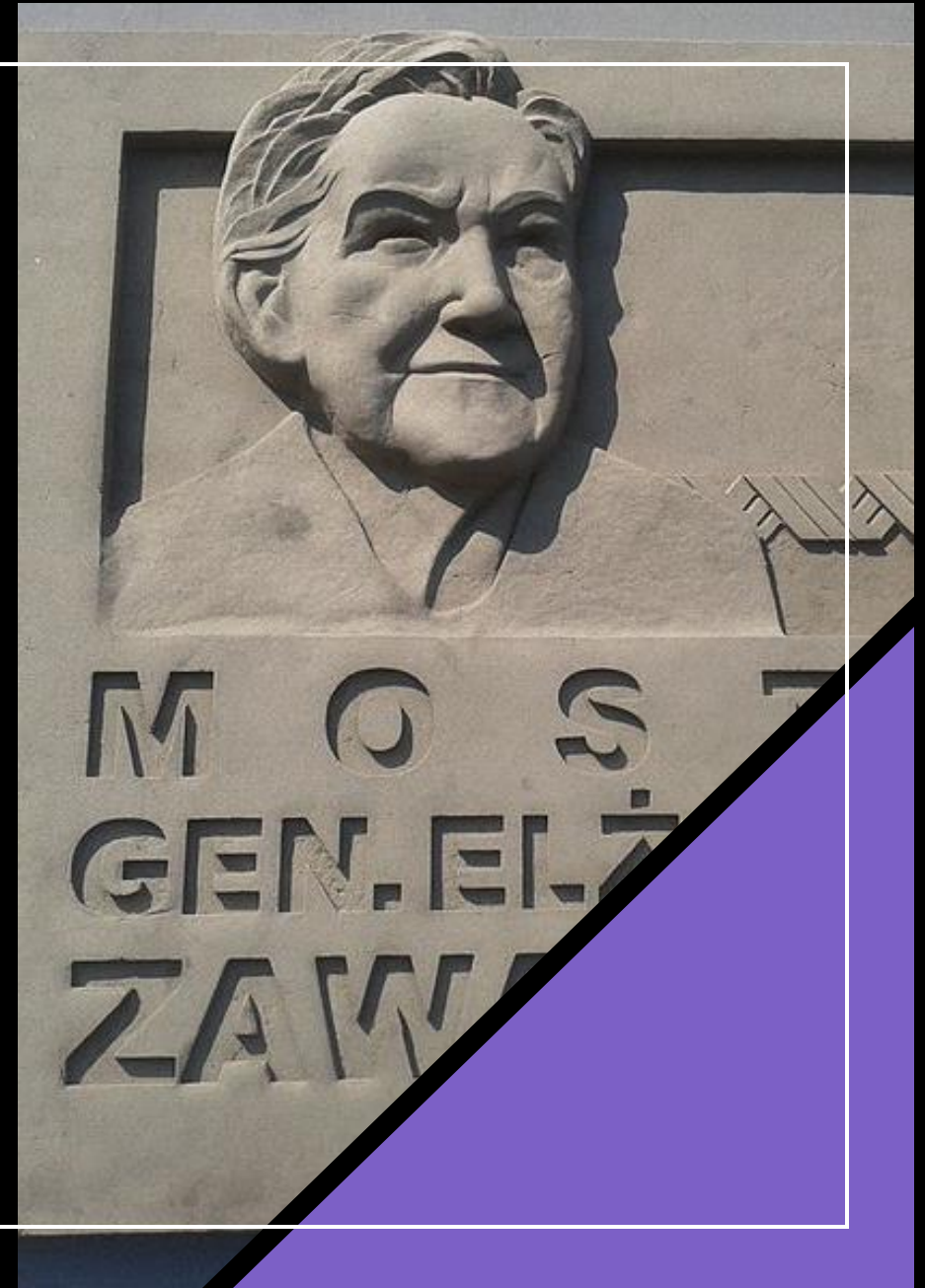
UG produced prominent politicians and retained famous historians.

Trick Question...why not call it *Uniwersytet Bałtycki?*

- When plans were approved for a Gdańsk based university, the first name suggested was University of the Baltic, abbreviated as UB.
- No dice! UB was also the abbreviation for a much-disliked force of security police - *Urząd Bezpieczeństwa*.
- To learn more about UG history, see Prof. Marek Andrzejewski's article, translated into English...<https://en.ug.edu.pl/university/history>.

Famous UG professors include Elżbieta Zawacka (1909-2009).

- Professor of Humanities at UG, and second woman to reach general officer status in Poland's military, plus the only woman to become a *Cichociemni*.
- The latter, precursors of today's special forces, sent her as a courier across Nazi lines over 100 times. She also fought in the Warsaw Rising (1944).
- Communist Poland rewarded her services with jail time and job problems.
- She collected "illegal" history in the 1960s-70s, then worked with Solidarity in the 1980s.



Meeting of the Senate on UG's 45th birthday.



- Seven years later I attended first day of classes for UG History Department, where faculty wore these robes.
- The rector used his mace to “knight” newly graduated PhDs.
- Many students attended, and a paper was delivered on megalithic stone circles in Central Europe – nearly 2 hours for all, and only one person left!



Let's take a stroll from the main entrance.

- Useful place to remember if you have an apartment on campus and are coming home after 10:00 PM – the only way to easily get back in!

Did you notice the study pods?





UG main library,
completed in 2006,
designed to radiate
“tech” aesthetic.



- You can request one of the six “study pods,” but I was warned their steam punk coolness can be offset by less than perfect insulation on cold days.
- Rest assured UG does respect the BUG (Library) Director...

Near the library,
many enjoy a
walk through
the Eko Park.











ŚCIEŻKA GEOLOGICZNA – GŁAZY NARZUTOWE tablica 1

Ułożone w EkoParku glazy zostały wydobyte z wykopów pod budynki uniwersyteckiego kampusu. Są one eratykami (inaczej narzutnikami), tzn. fragmentami skał przemieszonymi przez lodolód. Eratykami są właściwie wszystkie, nawet bardzo drobne, okruchy skalne, choć zazwyczaj tę nazwę kojarzy się z głazami. Za największy eratyk na świecie uznaje się The Big Rock w Kanadzie o masie szacowanej na ok. 18 000 t, a w Europie – głaz o nazwie Eihavivi w Estonii (obwód 57 m, wysokość 7,8 m i masie ok. 2 300 t). Największy polski eratyk – Trygub na zachodnim Pomorzu – ma obwód 50 m, wysokość 7,8 m i masę ok. 2000 t. Na Pomorzu Gdańskim największy jest Stolec (zwany też Diabelskim Kamieniem) leżący koło Zarowca (fot. obok); jego obwód to 29,6 m, wysokość – 3,7 m, a masa – ok. 150 t.

Występujące u nas eratyki zostały przywiezione z obszaru Fennoskandii i niekiedy Morza Bałtyckiego w czasie kolejnych plejstocenowych zlodowceń. W pobliższej Polsce eratyki, które leżą na powierzchni lub w przypowierzchniowych osadach, należą wprawdzie do obwodności ostatniego lodolodu – w okresie ok. 24-15 tys. lat temu. Narzutniki reprezentują bardzo zróżnicowany geologicznie obszar, zarówno za względu na typy skał, jak i ich wiek (przedstawia to tablica 2).

Eratyki zazwyczaj noszą ślady obróbki glacialnej (lodowcowej): ogładzania, rysy, zadziory. Obróbka zachodziła w trakcie transportu jak i po złożeniu głazu, gdy przesuwały się po nim masy lodu. Ogładzania powstały w wyniku szorowania przez lod z wzmocnionym w niego drobnym materiałem mineralnym (młk, piasek), rysy – gdy z lodu wystawał świr. Półkolistowate odspojenia (wyrywy) i łukowe zadziory (spękanki) tworzyły się, gdy na powierzchnię oddziaływały duże fragmenty skalne. Miarząc kompasem orientację takich struktur można wnioskować o kierunki płynięcia lodu. Głazy залегаjące na powierzchni gruntu w okresach intensywnej działalności wiatru (szpiczanej) mogą nosić ślady innej obróbki – szlifowania ich płaskim niesionym przez wiatr, np. gładkie powierzchnie rozdzielone ostrymi krawędziami, liczne podłużne miseczkowate zagłębienia. Są to tzw. eolopiltolity.



Diabelski Kamień k. Zarowca (pow. pucki)



Rysy glacialne i nowotyczne rysy na Glacie Borkowskiego (Gdańsk-Niedźwiednik)

Głazy odgrywały ważną przyrodniczo rolę także jako siedlisko organizmów epilitoralnych, czyli naskalnych. Wśród nich wieloletnia rolę odgrywały porosty i mchaki. Oprócz pospolitych spotyka się też gatunki rzadkie oraz relikwowe. Eratyki w EkoParku zostały wydobyte niedawno z ziemi, są one dlatego tymczasowo pozabawione epilifów. Pojawia się ona wkrótce – w miejscach słonecznych przede wszystkim porosty, w miejscach zacienionych wilgotnych – głównie mchaki.

Narzutniki są charakterystycznym elementem krajobrazu Pomorza nie tylko z przyczyn naturalnych. Materiał eratyczny od zamierzchłych czasów był wykorzystywany przez człowieka jako surowiec: drobny – do wyrobu narzędzi, większy – jako kamienie szlifierskie oraz jako materiał do tworzenia kręgów kamiennych, kurhanów, grobów skrzynkowych i budowli megalitycznych. Część z takich obiektów połamano, losiem stanowią one jedno ze źródeł materiału pozyskiwanego do budowy kościołów, domów, zabudowań gospodarczych, płotów, mostów, dróg i pomników. Na niektórych głazach wyryto znaki i napisy okolicznościowe.



Powierzchnia skalna z rysami i odspojeniami pochodzenia glacialnego; na niej rysy sprężek ok. 3000 lat (Norrköping, Szwecja).



Eolopiltolity w Trójmiejskim PK; gładkie powierzchnie rozdzielone ostrymi krawędziami.



Kurhan po zdjęciu okrywy ziemnej podczas prac badawczych (Siemrowica, pow. Iybarski); fot. A. Kleina, arch. MAG.



Kamienno-ceglana obora (Klanino, pow. pucki).
opracowanie: Piotr P. Madzia



...which allows profs to create teaching moments.



...and
watering
stations for
birds.

Large numbers of sea gulls,
crows, and pigeons appear
every day.



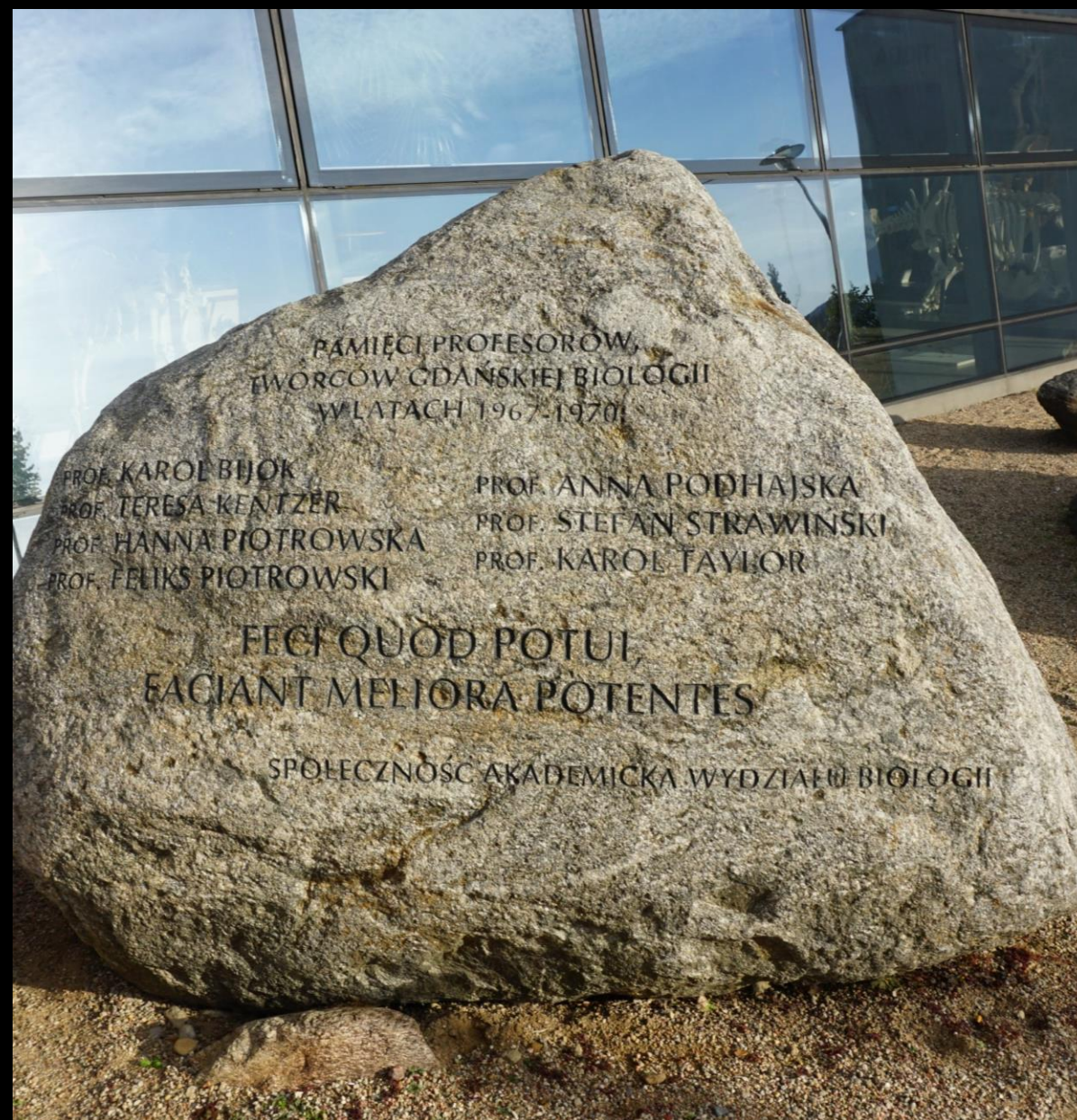
As you
walk, you'll
note lots of
glass...



...which
creates
plenty of
reflection.



You also see
good
promotion.
Let's look at
Biology.



Some departments even have their own museums!





Check out *Oceanograf II*, which explores the Arctic, but also takes UG students to visit Baltic Seals near Hel. A short video...<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0PhKOJSRtQI>.





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Our favorite
department,
History, is
also very
cool.

- They have 1150 majors, 85 teachers, and are large enough to merit a Dean - Arkadiusz Janicki – a specialist in 18th Century Poland and Russia.
- Not just an admin type, he publishes, presents, and attends faculty productions.
- An official link...<https://en.ug.edu.pl/faculties/41247>.

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Wednesday, June 11, 2014
12:00-1:30pm, Room 1.46

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CLASSES START: OCT. 30, END: NOV. 14.

CHICAGO

The Faculty of History invites you to the guest lecture by
Professor Dominic A. Pacyga
Department of Humanities, History and Social Sciences
Columbia College, Chicago, Illinois

Chicago: A Biography

Free and Open to All
Thursday, May 8, 2014
13:15-14:45, room: 1.46

Praha

The Faculty of History invites you to the guest lecture
by **Ph.D. Roman Zaoral**
Charles University, Faculty of Humanities, Prague, Czech Republic

8. 05. 2014 (Thursday)
10:00-11:30, room: 1.46

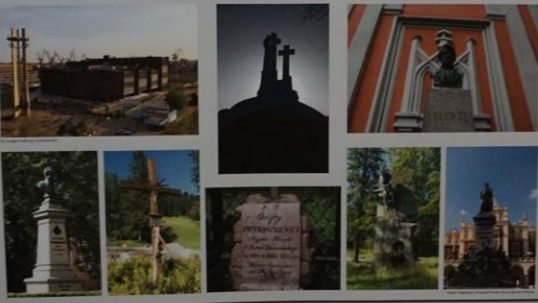
9. 05. 2014 (Friday)
10:00-11:30, room: 1.46

International Conference of Historical Tourism and Historiography

„Sites of Memory – History – Tourism“
„Miejsca pamięci – historia – turystyka“

Historical Tourism Scholarly Team
(Institute of History, University of Gdańsk)
Historiographical Association

Faculty of History, University of Gdańsk,
Ul. Wita Stwosza 55, 80-308 Gdańsk, Poland
Thursday, October 17 - Friday, October 18, 2019



PROGRAMME:

October 17, Thursday	October 18, Friday
8:00 - Registration Desk, General Plant, Main Hall of the Faculty of History building, Ul. Wita Stwosza 55, 80-308 Gdańsk	9:00-11:00 - Session 1 11:00-11:30 - Coffee break

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najlepszej pracy magisterskiej
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Uniwersytetu Gdańskiego



J. P. ...

The walls are festooned with class notices, conference options, and publications.

One office may look a bit familiar, belonging to our first Polish Louis Brown scholar.



Practicalities.

- Getting around via public transport.
- Accommodations.
- Polish money.
- Where to eat.
- Things to do.

Accommodations on or near UG.

- In 2021, I was on campus, in a one-bedroom, 1.5 bath university apartment. It was less than five minutes from the History Department or the library.
- My only disappointment was lack of washer and dryer in the building.
- Students live next to the campus in dorms.
- During our 2017 study abroad, we stayed in one set of dorms near Old Town – these were efficiency apartments – older, but clean and very nice location. These had a washer/dryer for clothing.
- Also, near main campus, several hotel options, and Villa Lena – which housed the 2018 study abroad group and offered nice rooms plus a wonderful breakfast.



Polish money.

- Polish money is a combination of coins and banknotes.
- There are 100 grosz in 1 złoty (zł.)
- In Fall 2021, a złoty was worth 25 cents.
- Coins range from tiny 1 grosz to 5 zł. Banknotes come in 10 zł., 20 zł., 50 zł., 100 zł, 200 zł, and 500 zł. The current finance minister is talking about a 1000 zł!
- A history of Polish currency... <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QRPiY77XkEo>.

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PARIS OPTIQUE



KSIEGARNIE Świat Książki



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Spending money...

- It is useful to have small change in coin and notes, as not all shops will be able to break a 200 or 500 zł. Banknote.
- Almost every restaurant and store is set up to take credit cards (“karta”).
- For small purchases some shops will charge a few cents for your bag.
- You might contact your bank to see if they need notification of your trip in order to successfully use your “karta” in Poland.
- You’ll also get asked if you would like your bill charged in złoty or dollars. Going with złoty saves unnecessary conversion fees.
- UG has an on-campus ATM, which provided all the cash I needed. Again, check with your bank to see if they need notification of travel.
- If you bring US dollars, you can exchange these at a Kantor, the one depicted is in the Forum Mall.



Zarząd Transportu Miejskiego w Gdańsku

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SCHEMAT KOMUNIKACJI TRAMWAJOWEJ

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Boisz się, że tracą na wartości?

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- GALERIA BAŁTYCKA
- WOJSKA POLSKIEGO
- ZAMENHOFA
- ZAJEZDZANIA
- STRZYŻA PKM
- UNIWERSYTET GDAŃSKI

Many possibilities for getting to and from UG.

- Lots of walking options, plus dedicated bike paths on all major roads, and ubiquitous electric scooters to rent.
- Compared to America, taxis are very reasonable. Uber is also an option.
- A tri-city train stop is five-minutes by walking. A fare was slightly less than \$2 in 2021.
- Best deal is a pass for the tram and bus service. One month was under \$60 in 2021.
- University has two tram stops with covered waiting area and maps.
- The tram has a monitor that shows you each stop.



Next to campus, a good place to eat, or get a coffee, then a few more very close.



Food options...

- There are many restaurant options, ranging from 5 star to hamburger joints. VSU students claimed the best hamburgers they ever consumed were in nearby Oliwa – which also has a Cat Café!
- Cost can be reasonable – I had a very good thin crust chesse pizza, a bottle of mineral water and complimentary olives for \$8 in touristy Old Town. For a short tram ride, *Akademicki Bar Mieczny* maintains the milk bar tradition of good food and low prices
- There is a very friendly restaurant, Manekin, right next to campus – students and faculty eat there often.
- In less than a ten-minute walk, there is a large grocery store, several bakeries, and of course, two of the 5,000 Żabka convenience stores across Poland. These are more expensive than the grocery stores, but the selection is superior to what you would expect from 7-11.

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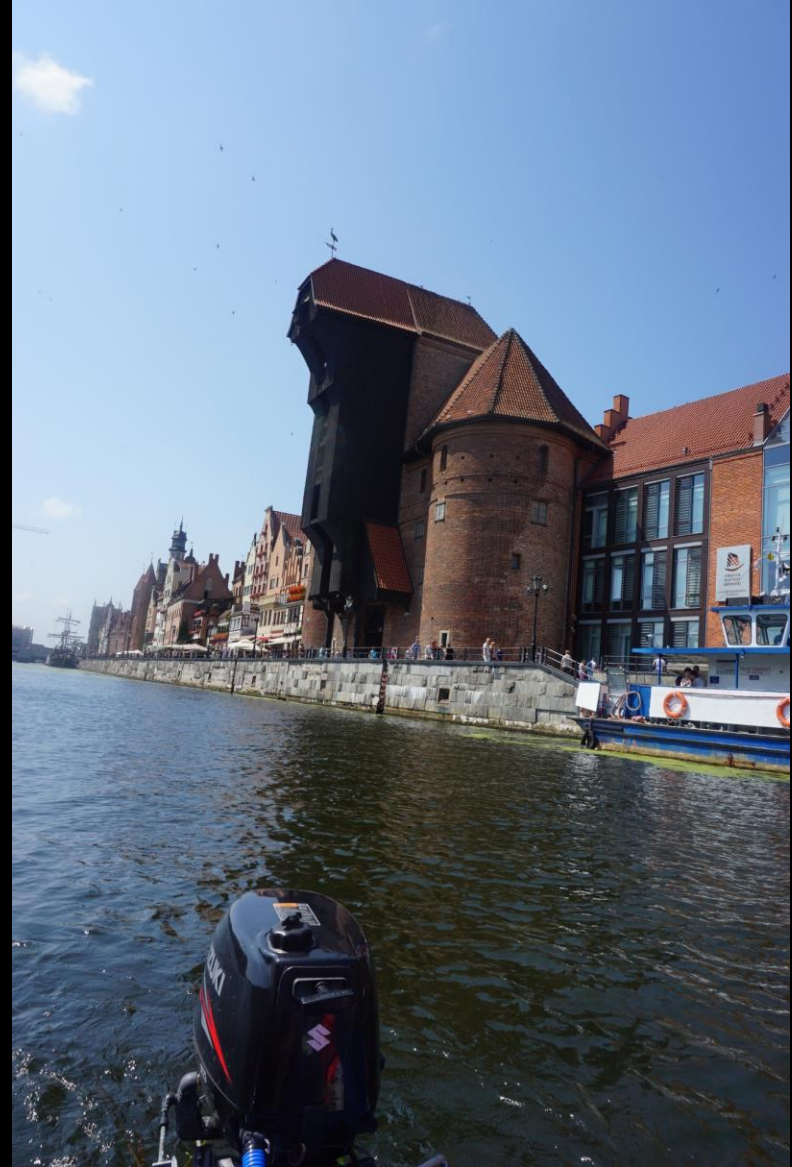
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Things to see!

- In a city packed with history dating back to 900 AD, you almost have too many choices.
- Most are close to UG by public transport, and once at your destination, lots of walking options.
- I'll follow this slide with a few photos, but suggest you think of what you'd like to do and search out possibilities.
- I was often invited to participate in UG functions, and our friends in the History were always offering interesting opportunities.
- Come see me if you have questions.





W. KLONOWSKI

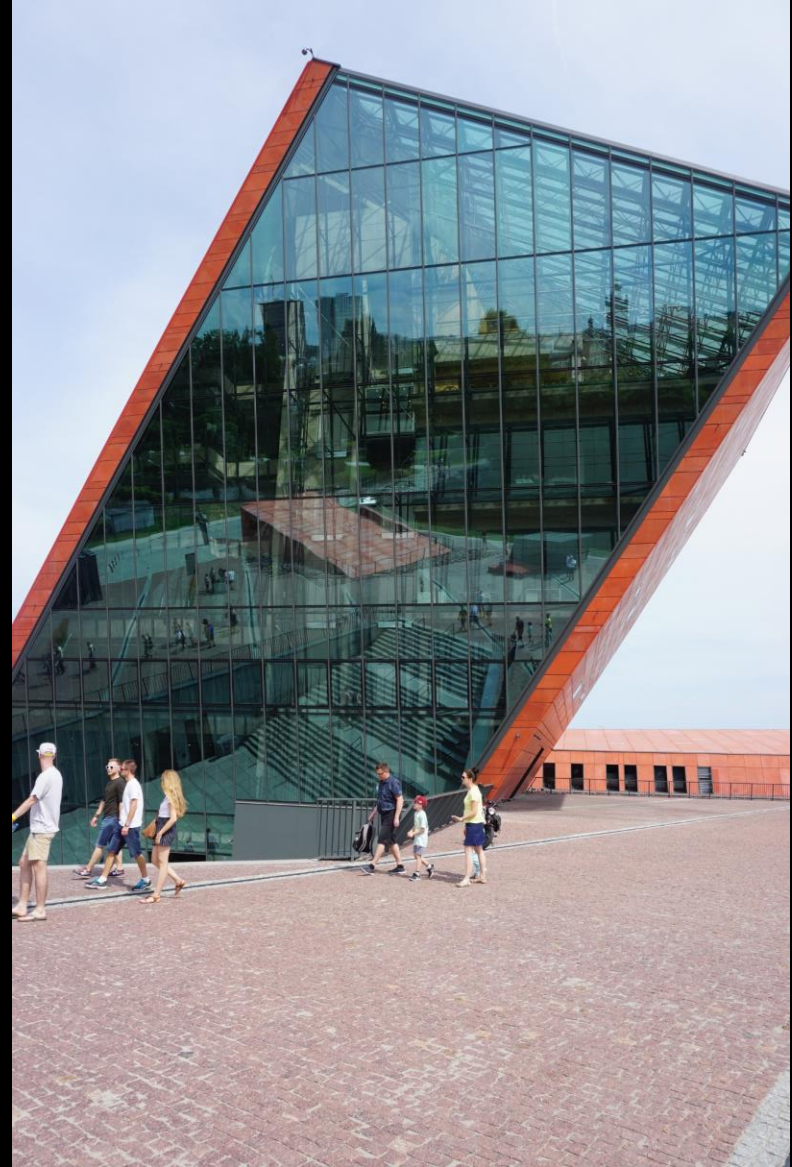
POLSKA OD MORZA DO GÓR

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RODZAJE TYTUŁOWY
SPECJALNYCH WYDAW
TYTUŁOWY

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DZIENNIKÓW I CZASOPISM
KRAJ. I ZAGR.







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KASZUBSKA DESKA - 36,87 m

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UG is a gateway
to interesting
opportunities...
think about it!