

Course Title	International Maritime Law			
Course Code	MLSB 502			
Course Type	Required			
Level	LLM (Level 2)			
Year / Semester	1st Year / 1st Semester			
Teacher's Name	Prof. Patrick A. Donner			
ECTS	8	Lectures / week	3	Laboratories / week NONE
Course Purpose	The course aims to cover relevant theoretical and practical aspects of Maritime Law, as it is developed by the Admiralty Court in England and is adopted by industry and the majority of countries in the world. The Maritime Law (also referred to as Admiralty Law) course is designed for international students with legal or commercial experience.			
Learning Outcomes	<p>By the end of the course, the students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyse the nature of international regulations relating to shipping and how they are made to apply nationally; • Synthesise the legal issues and apply the principles relating to Admiralty Law, as well as the safety and environmental issues and policies (the ISM Code) which underpin it; • Appraise the liabilities relating to carriage of passengers and their luggage and marine pollution and apply the appropriate concepts of limitation of liability; • Explain the methods of securing maritime claims and the priorities of maritime liens for claims. 			
Prerequisites	NONE	Corequisites	NONE	

Course Content	<p>Indicative Course Content</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International and regional maritime regulating organisations; • International conventions (preparation, adoption, ratification and accession, amendment and implementation); • Survey and certification of ships, the role of Flag State and Port State control; • Legal and practical issues relating to the law of the agency, with emphasis on the role and functions of the ship agent and the broker; • Legal and practical issues relating to employment and role of seafarers, in particular the Owner's vicarious liability for the Master, officers and the crew; • Legal and practical issues relating to pilotage, towage and collision of ships; • International carriage of passengers and their luggage by sea; • Legal issues relating to limitation of liability and the liability for marine pollution from ships, in particular Environmental Law issues caused by ship pollution or accidents and their detrimental effects on the sea, land and air. Special reference to the carriage of oil and dangerous cargoes; • Arrest of ships, enforcement and priorities of maritime claims, in particular: The nature of an action in rem, the arrest of offending and sister ships; the procedure for the arrest of ships; the various types and priority of liens encountered in admiralty practice, as well as the time bars and limitations.
Teaching Methodology	<p>The course will be delivered through lectures, discussion and presentations applying a problem-based learning (PBL) approach in which basic legal principles will be conveyed via tutor led sessions and analyzed and applied during the workshops led by the students.</p>
Bibliography	<p><u>Textbooks:</u> Baatz, Yvonne (Ed.) (2021). Maritime Law 5th Edition, Routledge. Baughen Simon (2018). Shipping Law, 7th Edition, Routledge.</p> <p><u>References:</u></p> <p>Berlingieri F. (2011), Berlingieri on Arrest of Ships, (5th edition, London, Informa).</p> <p>Chircop A., Linden O (eds), (2006), Places of Refuge for Ships: Emerging Environmental Concerns of a Maritime Custom, (Leiden – Boston Martinus Nijhoff Publishers).</p> <p>Force R., (2004), Admiralty and Maritime Law, (Federal Judicial Center - University of Michigan Library).</p> <p>Gaskell, N.J.J. and Shaw, R. (1999), The arrest convention 1999.</p>

	<p>Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly [1999] Part 4, November 1999, 470-490.</p> <p>Griggs, P., Williams, R. and Farr, J. (2004), Limitation of liability for maritime claims (4th ed.). London; Singapore: LLP.</p> <p>Hill C., (2003) Maritime Law, (6th edition, London – Hong Kong, LLP).</p> <p>Klein Ross, (2002), Cruise Ship Blues - The Underside of the Cruise Industry, (Gabriola Island-Canada, New Society Publishers).</p> <p>Mandaraka Sheppard A., Modern Maritime Law vol. I & II, (3rd edition 2014, Oxon, Informa Law from Routledge).</p>
Assessment	<p>Course work 40%</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual research assignment 20%, • Case study assignment 10%, • Course work 10% <p>Final Exam 60%</p>
Language	English