COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course Title	SHIPPING AND THE ENVIRONMENT
Course Code	ATSE401
Course Type	Required
Level	BSc (Level 1)
Year / Semester	2 / Fall
Teacher's Name	Demetris Kletou
ECTS	6 Lectures / week 3 Laboratories/week
Course Purpose	This course aims to raise the environmental awareness of students and to help them appreciate the services offered by marine ecosystems. Students will learn about the main impacts of shipping on the environment, international regulations to protect the environment, and understand how the shipping sector complies with technical modifications to achieve sustainable shipping practices. This course is particularly useful to students that consider the position of an Environmental Officer.
Learning Outcomes	 By the end of the course, the students should be able to: Describe the concept of sustainability and the benefits/services that marine ecosystems provide to humans. Explain and assess how the marine environment is adversely affected by major pressures induced by shipping. Distinguish the maritime international regulatory framework related to marine environmental protection (focus on IMO regulations). Discuss mitigation practices for each pressure, compliance with regulations, and technical implications/modifications of the shipping sector. Assess the environmental problems associated with port construction and operation and discuss ways to green a port.
Prerequisites	None Corequisites None
Course Content	 Build Marine Environmental Awareness Marine ecosystem services and sustainability Shipping environmental impacts and International legal framework for environmental protection in the maritime sector, emphasis given on International Maritime Organization (IMO) regulations Assess Environmental Impacts, Regulations and ways of Compliance Discharges to water Oil and oily mixtures Regulation: MARPOL 73/78 Annex I Compliance/Mitigation: Double hull, precaution, monitoring, enforcement, remedial, etc. Wastewater Regulation: MARPOL 73/78 Annex IV Compliance/Mitigation: Sewage Treatment, port reception facilities, etc. Marine litter Regulation: MARPOL 73/78 Annex V

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	○ Antifouling paints ■ <i>Regulation</i> : Antifouling Systems Convention
	 Compliance/Mitigation: Antifouling, Biocide research
	o Transport of non-indigenous species
	■ Regulation: Ballast Water Management Convention
	■ Compliance/Mitigation: Ballast water treatment,
	disinfection, release in open waters etc.
	Air Emissions
	○ Greenhouse gases
	○ Nitrogen oxides
	 Sulphur oxides
	o Particulate Matter
	 Ozone-depleting substances
	Volatile organic compounds
	■ Regulations: MARPOL 73/78 Annex VI, EU regulation and
	more, ECAs, 2020 Global Sulphur Cap, Ship Energy
	Efficiency Management Plan, Energy Efficiency Design
	Index
	 Compliance/Mitigation: Alternative fuels, scrubbers, energy
	efficiency and sustainable shipping, slow steaming,
	renewable energy sources, etc.
	Physical Impacts
	○ Noise and light pollution
	 Wildlife collisions
	 Regulation: International Regulations for Preventing
	Collisions at Sea
	o Grounding
	 Regulation: Safe and Environmentally sound recycling of
	ships
	• Ports
	 Environmental impacts from port construction and operation
	o Ecoports
Teaching	Lectures include PowerPoint presentations and discussions.
Methodology	
Bibliography	Andersson, K., Brynolf, S., Lindgren, J. F., Wilewska-Bien, M. eds.
	Shipping and the Environment. Improving environmental performance in
	maritime transportation. Springer, Berlin, Heidelberg, 2016. Pages 1-434,
•	ISBN: 978-3-662-49043-3, doi: 0.1007/978-3-662-49045-7
Assessment	Mid-term Exam 20%
	Attendance and Participation 10%
	Presentation on a related topic 10%
	Final Exam 60%
Language	English
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