

Annexe A: New/Revised Course Content in OBTL+ Format

Course Overview

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Expected Implementation in Academic Year	AY2024-2025
Semester/Trimester/Others (specify approx. Start/End date)	Semester 1
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Course Title	Maritime Law
Course Code	MT3001
Academic Units	3
Contact Hours	39
Research Experience Components	Not Applicable

Course Requisites (if applicable)

Pre-requisites	
Co-requisites	
Pre-requisite to	
Mutually exclusive to	
Replacement course to	
Remarks (if any)	

Course Aims

This course offers a thorough introduction to International Maritime Law, international conventions and an understanding of international shipping and its legal framework. Students will analyse legal cases related to international shipping.

Course's Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs)

Upon the successful completion of this course, you (student) would be able to:

ILO 1	Understand the basic legal principles of international maritime law and their application to legal issues of shipowners and cargo interests.
ILO 2	Explain the laws determining the nationality of a vessel and role of flags of convenience in the maritime industry.
ILO 3	Explain the procedures governing sale of ships and new shipbuilding contracts
ILO 4	Understand the laws and conventions applicable to ship mortgages, the procedures for ship arrests and use of maritime liens.
ILO 5	Discuss the liability issues relating to maritime events such as collisions, salvage and towage, general average and oil pollution.
ILO 6	Discuss the maritime arbitration process.

Course Content

No	Topic	Lecture Hrs	Tutorial Hrs
1	Introduction to International Maritime Law	2	1
2	Ships, Nationality and Registration	2	1
3	Sale of Ships and Shipbuilding Contracts	2	1
4	Ship Mortgages	2	1
5	Admiralty Jurisdiction, Maritime Claims, Liens and Sovereign Immunity	2	1
6	Collisions Part I	2	1
7	Collisions Part II (Case Studies)	2	1
8	Salvage and Towage I	2	1
9	Salvage and Towage II (Case Studies)	2	1
10	General Average	2	1
11	Oil Pollution	2	1
12	Limitation of Liability	2	1
13	Maritime Arbitration	2	1
Total:		26	13

Reading and References (if applicable)

1. Baughen, S. (2009), Shipping Law, 4th Edition. Routledge-Cavendish – London.
2. Bundock, M. (2003). Shipping Law Handbook, 3rd Edition. LLP – London.
3. Hill, C. (2003). Maritime Law, 6th Edition. LLP - London.

Planned Schedule

Week or Session	Topics or Themes	ILO	Readings	Delivery Mode	Activities
1	Introduction to international maritime law: - Terms and abbreviations - The international aspect of maritime - International Conventions	1		In-person	Lecture & Tutorial
2	Ships, Nationality and Registration: - Determining the nationality of a vessel - Registration and Flags of Convenience	2		In-person	Lecture & Tutorial
3	Sale of Ships and Shipbuilding Contracts: - Sale of ship - Breaches of contract - Sale and purchase practice - Shipbuilding contracts	3		In-person	Lecture & Tutorial
4	Ship Mortgages: - Contractual mortgages - Maritime mortgage, description, and applicable laws and conventions	4		In-person	Lecture & Tutorial

Week or Session	Topics or Themes	ILO	Readings	Delivery Mode	Activities
5	Admiralty Jurisdiction, Maritime Claims, Liens and Sovereign Immunity: - Nature of action in rem. Procedures for an action in rem. - Procedural aspects of arrest of a ship - Wrongful arrest - What is a maritime lien? - Immunity of state-owned vessels	4		In-person	Lecture & Tutorial
6	Collisions: - International regulations for prevention of collisions at sea - The 'last opportunity' rule - Presumption of fault - Standard of care - Causation - Apportionment of liability - Damages - Statutory liability - Time bar - Jurisdiction - Case Studies	5		In-person	

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7	Collisions: - International regulations for prevention of collisions at sea - The 'last opportunity' rule - Presumption of fault - Standard of care - Causation - Apportionment of liability - Damages - Statutory liability - Time bar - Jurisdiction - Case Studies	5		In-person	

Week or Session	Topics or Themes	ILO	Readings	Delivery Mode	Activities
8	Salvage and Towage: - Sources of salvage law - What property can be saved? - Geographical limits of salvage - Who can be a salvor? - What services qualify for salvage? - Principles governing the relationship between salvor and salvee - How is salvage award calculated - Remedies available to salvors - When does towage become salvage? - Tug-owner's right to limit liability - Case Studies	5		In-person	Lecture & Tutorial

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9	Salvage and Towage: - Sources of salvage law - What property can be saved? - Geographical limits of salvage - Who can be a salvor? - What services qualify for salvage? - Principles governing the relationship between salvor and salvee - How is salvage award calculated - Remedies available to salvors - When does towage become salvage? - Tug-owner's right to limit liability - Case Studies	5		In-person	Lecture & Tutorial
10	General Average: - Extraordinary sacrifices and expenses - Voluntariness - Time of peril - Common safety - Valuing losses and assessing contributory values - York Antwerp Rules	5		In-person	Lecture & Tutorial

Week or Session	Topics or Themes	ILO	Readings	Delivery Mode	Activities
11	Oil Pollution: - International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution - International Convention on the Establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage - Civil Liability Convention - International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution	5		In-person	Lecture & Tutorial
12	Limitation of Liability: - Who can limit? - Which claims are subject to limitation? - Which claims are not subject to limitation? - How can the right to limit be lost? - How is the limitation figure calculated?	5		In-person	Lecture & Tutorial

Week or Session	Topics or Themes	ILO	Readings	Delivery Mode	Activities
13	Maritime Arbitration: - What is maritime arbitration? - Who is Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration? - Commencement and constitution - Case proceedings - Powers and arbitral procedures - Award and termination	6		In-person	Lecture & Tutorial

Learning and Teaching Approach

Approach	How does this approach support you in achieving the learning outcomes?
Lectures	This provides you with the needed background for outcomes (1) to (6) and to allow you to apply principles, methodologies and considerations related to legal principles in the shipping industry.
Tutorials	Comprises mostly qualitative questions, where most of which are open-ended case questions. Some quantitative questions are also included to provide practices for practical data-based analysis. The tutorials offer you with opportunities to analyse legal cases to address outcomes (1) to (6).

Assessment Structure

Assessment Components (includes both continuous and summative assessment)

No.	Component	ILO	Related PLO or Accreditation	Weightage	Team/Individual	Rubrics	Level of Understanding
1	Continuous Assessment (CA): Test/Quiz(CA1: Quiz 1)	1-4	A-D, F-G	20	Individual	Analytic	Multistructural
2	Continuous Assessment (CA): Test/Quiz(CA2: Quiz 2)	5-6	A-D, F-G	20	Individual	Analytic	Multistructural
3	Summative Assessment (EXAM): Final exam(Final Examination)	1-6	A-D, F-G	60	Individual	Holistic	Relational

Description of Assessment Components (if applicable)

Programme Learning Outcomes

Competency

- A. Develop an overall awareness of maritime activities, port and shipping industry and their association with economy and trade.
- B. Describe and apply concepts and theories in sub-fields as contributing to the maritime industry and integrate various related themes, skills and knowledge.
- C. Understand and manage the maritime environment.
- D. Apply related information pertaining to procedures, operations and management of maritime entities and operational issues in the maritime industry.
- E. Capture and analyse market data using analytical tools, conduct related research in the maritime arena, as well as design, develop and execute maritime projects.
- F. Engage in lifelong learning in preparation for current and future vocations and career options in the maritime environment.

Creativity

- G. Approach and solve basic maritime problems, through both strategic and research methods, and put theoretical knowledge into practical applications in related industries.
- H. Develop maritime related risk management strategies.

Communications

- I. Communicate shipping and maritime management in policy, strategy, and prevailing issues and requirements in an organization and to achieve good teamwork.
- J. Write professional reports and conduct public speaking confidently.

Character

- K. Recognise the importance of a strong and just leadership, comply to ethical standards, and uphold highest

standards of integrity as a professional.

Civic Mindedness

L. Integrate all related skills and knowledge into the industry and exercise due diligence as a highly responsible professional, contributing towards nation and the society.

Formative Feedback

The lectures shall be interactive where your (students) inputs are highly encouraged in the process.

Instructors will take questions during and at end of lectures and provide on-the-spot clarifications. You (students) can also confer with instructors at tutorials/discussions, at appointed consultations or via email.

Students are assessed on two Quizzes consisting of MCQs and short questions. Feedbacks are provided for the quizzes in terms of instructors going through common mistakes made by students.

NTU Graduate Attributes/Competency Mapping

This course intends to develop the following graduate attributes and competencies (maximum 5 most relevant)

Attributes/Competency	Level
Collaboration	Intermediate
Curiosity	Intermediate
Global Perspective	Intermediate
Critical Thinking	Intermediate

Course Policy

Policy (Academic Integrity)

Good academic work depends on honesty and ethical behaviour. The quality of your work as a student relies on adhering to the principles of academic integrity and to the NTU Honour Code, a set of values shared by the whole university community. Truth, Trust and Justice are at the core of NTU's shared values. As a student, it is important that you recognize your responsibilities in understanding and applying the principles of academic integrity in all the work you do at NTU. Not knowing what is involved in maintaining academic integrity does not excuse academic dishonesty. You need to actively equip yourself with strategies to avoid all forms of academic dishonesty, including plagiarism, academic fraud, collusion and cheating. If you are uncertain of the definitions of any of these terms, you should go to the academic integrity website for more information. On the use of technological tools (such as Generative AI tools), different courses / assignments have different intended learning outcomes. Students should refer to the specific assignment instructions on their use and requirements and/or consult your instructors on how you can use these tools to help your learning. Consult your instructor(s) if you need any clarification about the requirements of academic integrity in the course.

Policy (General)

Students are expected to take responsibility to follow up with course notes, assignments, and course related announcements. You are also expected to participate in class discussions and submit the project report before the stipulated deadline.

Policy (Absenteeism)

Valid reasons include falling sick supported by a medical certificate and participation in NTU's approved activities supported by an excuse letter from the relevant bodies. There will be no make-up opportunities for in-class activities.

Policy (Others, if applicable)

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