

Subject card

Subject name and code	Maritime law - auditorium classes, PG_00137817						
Field of study	Law						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2028/2029		
Education level	uniform Master's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study		
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	4		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	7		ECTS credits		3.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Department of Maritime Law -> Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		mgr Filip Walczak				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	0.0	30.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours		Self-study	SUM
	Number of study hours	30		0.0		45.0	75
Subject objectives	Acquiring knowledge of maritime law, including maritime navigation law and in-depth knowledge of legal institutions and procedures that apply to human activities in the marine environment using seagoing vessels, with particular emphasis on: the legal position of the captain of a seagoing vessel; investigating the causes and circumstances of maritime accidents; managing seagoing vessels and transporting cargo by sea.						
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome		Method of verification		
	[PRAWOJ5_KR08] is ready to take up professional challenges and is characterised by perseverance in the implementation of activities in the field of law and related sciences		Is ready to take up professional challenges related to maritime law and is characterised by perseverance in the implementation of activities in the field of maritime law.		[SK4] test/exam - oral or written [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work		
	[PRAWOJ5_KR06] prepares responsibly for work, is able to set priorities and organise work accordingly		Is able to set priorities and organise work accordingly in order to solve case studies related to maritime law.		[SK4] test/exam - oral or written [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work		
	[PRAWOJ5_WG04] has a structured knowledge of the types of legal relationships and the regularities governing them		Has structured knowledge about legal relations within maritime law and about principles governing them.		[SW4] test/exam - oral or written		
	[PRAWOJ5_UW03] is able to use complex theoretical approaches and apply them appropriately to the legal problem being solved		Is familiar with the terminology and concepts of law and related fields in the context of maritime law.		[SU4] test/exam - oral or written		
	[PRAWOJ5_UW04] can skilfully select and use professional methods and tools to obtain information on Polish and foreign law		Can skilfully select and use professional methods and tools to obtain information on Polish maritime law and the Law of the Sea.		[SU4] test/exam - oral or written		

Subject contents	1. Maritime law - introduction 1.1. The concept of maritime law and international law of the sea 1.2. Sources of maritime law 1.3. The subject of maritime law regulation 1.4. Subjects of maritime law 1.5. The role and function of maritime law 2. Rights and obligations of the coastal state in maritime areas 2.1. Polish maritime areas legal status 2.2. The structure of maritime administration in Poland 2.3. Competences of maritime administration bodies 2.4. Maritime, flag and port inspection 3. Sea vessel 3.1. Sea ship concept 3.2. The concept of ship seaworthiness and cargoworthiness 4. Legal position of the captain of a sea vessel 4.1. Rights and obligations of the captain of a sea ship 4.2. Managing a seagoing ship: the captain as the superior of the ship's crew, the captain as a representative of the shipowner and persons interested in the cargo 4.3. Public functions of the ship's captain 5. Investigation of the causes and circumstances of marine accidents 5.1. Definition of a marine casualty and marine incident 5.2. Proceedings regarding a maritime accident before the Maritime Chambers 5.3. Investigation of the circumstances and causes of maritime accidents by the State Commission for the Investigation of Maritime Accidents 6. Transport of cargo by sea 6.1. Cargo transport contract by sea: types of contracts (charter, booking), their legal nature and the rights and obligations of the parties 6.2. Bill of lading: paper form and electronic form 6.3. Standard of due diligence of a sea carrier in the performance of a contract for the carriage of cargo by sea - a case study 6.4. Liability of a sea carrier: Hague-Visby Rules, Hamburg Rules, Rotterdam Rules, Maritime Code 6.5. Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	None		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	test	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature Prawo morskie. Komentarz. red. D. Pyć, C. Łuczywek, I. Zużewicz-Wiewiórska, Wolters Kluwer, Warszawa 2022 Leksykon prawa morskiego. 100 podstawowych pojęć, red. D. Pyć, I. Zużewicz-Wiewiórska, Warszawa 2020 Prawo morskie, t. 1, red. J. Łopuski, Bydgoszcz 1996 Prawo morskie, t. 2, cz. 1, Prawo żeglugi morskiej, red. J. Łopuski, Bydgoszcz 1998 Prawo morskie, t. 2, cz. 2, Prawo żeglugi morskiej, red. J. Łopuski, BydgoszczToruń 2000		

	Supplementary literature	"Prawo Morskie", czasopismo naukowe Komisji Prawa Morskiego Polskiej Akademii Nauk - od 2000 roku dostępne w formie elektronicznej na stronie PAN: https://journals.pan.pl/pm Aikens R., Lord R., Bools M., Bolding M., Toh K.S., Bill of Lading, New York 2021 Argüello G., Marine Pollution, Shipping Waste and International Law, AbingdonNew York 2020 Koziński M.H., Morskie prawo publiczne, Gdynia 2015 Młynarczyk J., Prawo morskie, Gdańsk 2002 McConnell M.L., Devlin D., Doumbia-Henry C., The Maritime Labour Convention, 2006: A Legal Primer to an Emerging International Regime, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers Leiden-Boston, 2011 Nawrot J., Międzynarodowe prawo bezpieczeństwa morskiego, C.H. Beck, Warszawa 2019 Power V., EU Shipping Law, t. 12, Oxon 2019
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed		
Work placement	Not applicable	

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