

Subject card

Subject name and code	Maritime law - lecture, PG_00137814						
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		exam		
Conducting unit	Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		mgr Jakub Puszkarski				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	30.0	0.0	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 in the field of maritime law, including shipping law, as well as in-depth knowledge of legal institutions and procedures applicable to activities conducted by humans in the marine environment using sea vessels, with particular emphasis on: proper implementation of maritime safety legal standards and prevention of marine pollution by ships; the legal position of a sea vessel captain; investigation of the causes and circumstances of maritime accidents; work standards on sea vessels; management of sea vessels and the carriage of cargo and passengers by sea; contracts for the use of sea vessels; marine insurance.						
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome		Method of verification		
	[PRAWOJ5_UW03] is able to use complex theoretical approaches and apply them appropriately to the legal problem being solved		is able to use complex theoretical approaches in the field of maritime law and apply them appropriately to the legal problem being solved		[SU4] test/exam - oral or written		
	[PRAWOJ5_WG07] has an in-depth knowledge of law-making, interpretation and application processes, both international and national, substantive and procedural, private and public law		has in-depth knowledge of the processes of law-making, interpretation, and application, both of international and national maritime law, as well as private and public law		[SW4] test/exam - oral or written		
	[PRAWOJ5_WG04] has a structured knowledge of the types of legal relationships and the regularities governing them		has organized knowledge about the types of relations in the field of maritime law and the rules that govern them		[SW4] test/exam - oral or written		
	[PRAWOJ5_WG01] has an in-depth and structured knowledge of the legal sciences and is familiar with the terminology and concepts of law and related fields		has in-depth and well-organized knowledge of legal sciences and is familiar with the terminology and concepts in the field of maritime law and related areas		[SW4] 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 Matter 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. Structure of Maritime Administration in Poland 2.3. Competencies of Maritime Administration Bodies 2.4. Maritime, Flag, and Port Inspection 2.5. Recognized Organization 3. Seaworthiness of a Ship in Doctrine and Jurisprudence 3.1. The Concept of a Seagoing Ship 3.2. The Concept of Seaworthiness and Cargoworthiness 3.3. Necessary Conditions for a Ship's Seaworthiness 3.4. Due Diligence - Carver's Test 3.5. Ship accidents due to unseaworthiness 4. Legal Position of the Captain of a Seagoing Ship 4.1. Rights and Obligations of the Captain of a Seagoing Ship 4.2. Management of a Seagoing Ship: Captain as Supervisor of the Seagoing Ship's Crew, Captain as Representative of the Shipowner and Persons Interested in the Cargo 4.3. Diligence of a Conscientious Captain Case Study 4.4. Legal Status of the Captain in a Time Charter: Responsibility for the Operation of a Seagoing Ship Case Study 4.5. Public Law Functions of the Captain of a Ship 5. Legal Standards of Maritime Safety 5.1. The Concept of Maritime Safety 5.2. The Concept of Safety of Life at Sea: From the Titanic to the Costa Concordia Case Study 5.3. Legal Standards of Maritime Safety SOLAS Convention 5.4. Legal Standards of Maritime Safety IMO Codes 5.5. Legal Standards of Maritime Safety in Polish Law 6. Monitoring Compliance with Legal Standards of Maritime Safety 6.1. Types of violations of maritime safety legal standards 6.2. Flag State Control (FSC) - procedures 6.3. Port State Control (PSC) - procedures 6.4. Violations of maritime safety legal standards: involvement of the human factor (including human error) - a case study 7. Maritime Safety Culture 7.1. Managing the Safe Operation of Seagoing Ships ISM Code 7.2. Technical Management 7.3. Crew Management 7.4. Cargo Management (Commercial) 7.5. Continuous Improvement of the Safety Management System (SMS) 8. Investigation of the Causes and Circumstances of Marine Accidents 8.1. Definition of a Marine Casualty and Marine Incident 8.2. Accident Investigation Code 8.3. Proceedings in Marine Casualty Cases Before Maritime Chambers 8.4. Investigation of the Circumstances and Causes of Marine Accidents by the State Commission on Maritime Accident Investigation: PBWM Reports Case Study 8.5. Impact of Safety Recommendations on Maritime Safety 9. Security of Shipping and Seaports 9.1. The Concept and Scope of Ship and Port Facility Security in the Context of Maritime Security 9.2. Preventing and Remediating Unlawful Acts Against the Security of Maritime Navigation: Maritime Piracy, Maritime Terrorism Case Study 9.3. International Ship and Port Facility Security Code - ISPS Code 9.4. Shipping and Seaport Security Measures in Polish Legislation 9.5. Cyber Risk Management 10. Legal Standards for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships 10.1. Legal Standards for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships MARPOL Convention 10.2. Reducing Ozone-Depleting Emissions from Seagoing Ships in the Context of Climate Change 10.3. Mandatory Energy Efficiency Measures for Seagoing Ships 10.4. Oil Spills with Catastrophic Consequences for the Marine Environment Case Study 10.5. "Plastic in the Ocean" Case Study - Data wygenerowania: 08.09.2025 07:52 Strona 5 z 6 11. Maritime Labor Law 11.1. Status of the Master of a Seagoing Ship and Their Crew 11.2. Working and Living Conditions for Seafarers on Seagoing Ships MLC Convention 11.3. Employment Services for Persons Seeking Employment on Seagoing Ships 11.4. Seafarer Employment Agreement 11.5. MLC documents and inspections and audits of seafarers' working and living conditions on board a seagoing vessel, procedures for filing and handling seafarers' complaints 12. Carriage of cargo by sea 12.1. Contract for the carriage of cargo by sea: types of contracts (charter party, booking), their legal nature, and the rights and obligations of the parties 12.2. Bill of lading: paper and electronic form 12.3. Standard of due diligence of a maritime carrier in the performance of a contract for the carriage of cargo by sea - a case study 12.4. Liability of a maritime carrier: Hague-Visby Rules, Hamburg Rules, Rotterdam Rules, Maritime Code 12.5. Limitation of liability for maritime claims 13. Contracts for the Use of a Seagoing Vessel 13.1. Legal Nature of a Contract for the Use of a Seagoing Vessel 13.2. Time Charter 13.3. Charter by Demise 13.4. Bareboat Charter 13.5. Slot Charter 14. Carriage of Passengers and Their Luggage by Sea 14.1. Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and Their Luggage by Sea
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	14.2. Concepts of Passenger and Carrier 14.3. Rights and Obligations of Passengers Traveling by Sea: Protection of Passenger Rights Case Study 14.4. Rights and Obligations of the Carrier 14.5. Liability of Passenger Carriers on Maritime Waterways in the Event of Accidents 15. Maritime Insurance Law 15.1. Classification of Marine Insurance 15.2. Marine Insurance Contract 15.3. Risks and Perils: General Average Case Study 15.4. Compulsory Marine Insurance 15.5. Mutual Insurance - P&I Clubs		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	none		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Exam	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature J. Łopuski (red.), praca zbior., Prawo morskie, tom I i II, Toruń-Bydgoszcz, 1996-2000 Leksykon prawa morskiego. 100 podstawowych pojęć [red:] D. Pyć, I. Zużewicz - Wiewiórowska, Warszawa 2013 M. H. Koziński, Morskie prawo publiczne, Gdynia 2015 Literature to be studied independently by the student: "Prawo Morskie", roczniki Komisji Prawa Morskiego Polskiej Akademii Nauk - od 2011 roku dostępne w formie elektronicznej na stronie PAN w zakładce: Czasopisma Kodeks morski. Komentarz [red:] D. Pyć, I. Zużewicz - Wiewiórowska, System Informacji Prawnej LEX, 2012		

	Supplementary literature	J. Młynarczyk, Prawo morskie, Gdańsk 2002 J. Łopuski, O żegludze i prawie morskim, Bydgoszcz-Gdynia 2011 Europeizacja prawa morskiego, [red:] M. Adamowicz, J. Nawrot, Gdańsk, 2016 Pyć D. 2017. The Polish Legal Regime on Marine Spatial Planning, Maritime Law of the Polish Academy of Science, vol. XXXIII, Gdańsk; Pyć D., Compliance and enforcement of maritime labour conditions the Polish legal perspective [w:] Polish Yearbook of International Law 2016, [wydanie 2017], vol. 36, s. 247-255; M.L. McConnell, D. Devlin, C. Doumbia-Henry, The Maritime Labour Convention, 2006: A Legal Primer to an Emerging International Regime, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers Leiden-Boston, 2011; Colinvaux R., Carvers Carriage by Sea, 12 ed., vol. 1, Londyn 1971; Hodges S., What is a Seaworthy Vessel? (w:) red. K. Rawson, The Carriage of Bulk Oil And Chemicals at Sea, 1994; Margetson N.J., Duties of the Carrier (w:) red. M.L. Hendrikse, N.H. Margetson, N.J. Margetson, Claims under Bills of Lading. Aspects of Maritime Law, Wolters Kluwer 2008.
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	none	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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