

Subject card

Subject name and code	Maritime law - lecture, PG_00152842						
Field of study	Prawo morskie - wykład						
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	part-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		dr Dominika Wetoszka				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20
	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	20		0.0		55.0	75
Subject objectives	Acquiring general knowledge of maritime law, highlighting the specific nature of maritime shipping regulations, explaining the functioning of maritime law institutions through the prism of international legal solutions.						
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		Student is ready to take on professional challenges, makes an effort and shows perseverance in carrying out individual and team activities in the field of law and related sciences		[SU2] prezentacja/projekt/referat/ raport [SU3] opracowanie tekstowe/ praca pisemna [SU4] test/egzamin - ustny lub pisemny		
	[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		Student is aware of the need to broaden their professional competences and qualifications as well as improve their skills, is able to independently set directions for their own development and education at an extended and in-depth level		[SW4] test/egzamin - ustny lub pisemny [SW2] prezentacja/projekt/referat/ raport [SW3] opracowanie tekstowe/ praca pisemna		
	[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		Student is ready to take on professional challenges, makes an effort and shows perseverance in carrying out individual and team activities in the field of law and related sciences		[SW4] test/egzamin - ustny lub pisemny [SW2] prezentacja/projekt/referat/ raport [SW3] opracowanie tekstowe/ praca pisemna		
	[PRAWOJ5_WG04] has a structured knowledge of the types of legal relationships and the regularities governing them		Student prepares for work responsibly, is able to set priorities at work and plan work appropriately		[SW4] test/egzamin - ustny lub pisemny [SW2] prezentacja/projekt/referat/ raport [SW3] opracowanie tekstowe/ praca pisemna		

Subject contents	1. Maritime law and the law of the sea: definitions and specific features, purpose and scope, subject matter, entities, sources of law and jurisdiction. 2. Polish maritime areas, rights and obligations of the coastal state. Structure, tasks and competences of maritime administration bodies (maritime inspection, flag and port), recognised organisation. 3. Concept and legal nature of a sea-going vessel, seaworthiness of a vessel, nationality of a sea-going vessel, ownership of a sea-going vessel, conditions for registration of a sea-going vessel, maritime mortgage, privileges on a vessel, documents in maritime navigation. 4. Legal position of the master of a seagoing ship, diligence of a conscientious master, management of a seagoing ship, the master as the supervisor of the crew of a seagoing ship, the master as the representative of the shipowner and persons interested in the cargo, public law functions of the master of a ship, the situation of the captain in a time charter, responsibility for the operation of a sea vessel. 5. Maritime labour law - MLC Convention, decent working and living conditions on a sea vessel, seafarer's employment agreement, employment agency for persons seeking employment on sea vessels, MLC documents, ship complaint procedure. 6. Legal standards for maritime safety, SOLAS Convention RMS Titanic case study, management of safe ship operation and pollution prevention, ISM Code MF Herald of Free Enterprise case study, control of compliance with maritime safety standards (flag state inspection and port state inspection), monitoring and reporting. 7. Maritime security, SOLAS Convention and ISPS Code, counteracting unlawful acts against maritime security (maritime piracy, maritime terrorism, drug smuggling by commercial vessels). 8. Legal standards for the prevention of marine pollution by ships, types of marine pollution (oil pollution, waste disposal, plastic in the ocean, air pollution from the combustion of substandard marine fuel, invasive marine species travelling in ship ballast water), environmentally catastrophic tanker accidents (SS Torrey Canyon, MT Amoco Cadiz, MT Exxon Valdez, MV Erika, MV Prestige), legal preventive measures, MARPOL Convention, legal protection of the Baltic Sea against pollution from seagoing ships, HELCOM recommendations. 9. Maritime accidents and incidents - International Maritime Organisation, European Maritime Safety Agency, State Commission for the Investigation of Maritime Accidents, maritime chambers, safety recommendations, discussion of selected maritime accidents. 10. Contract of carriage by sea, terms and conditions of the contract and parties to the contract (charter, booking), bill of lading (paper and electronic form), freight, performance of the contract of carriage by sea, carrier's liability, Hague-Visby Rules, Hamburg Rules, Rotterdam Rules, limitation of liability for maritime claims, maritime arbitration, maritime mediation, multimodal transport. 11. Agreements for the use of another party's ship: time charter, demise charter, bareboat charter, slot charter. Shipping agreements. Auxiliary services in maritime transport: agency, brokerage, towing, pilotage. 12. Carriage of passengers and their luggage by sea, general terms and conditions of the contract, ticket, rights and obligations of the parties to the contract, carrier's liability. 13. Standard ship management agreement, terms and conditions of the agreement, BIMCO SHIPMAN 2009, technical management, crew management, commercial (cargo) management, financial instruments. 14. Maritime salvage, the no cure - no pay principle, maritime salvage agreement, SALVAGE Convention, SAR Convention, life-saving, property salvage and sea salvage (ecological), oil spill response procedures, tasks of the SAR Service. 15. Maritime insurance law, general average, maritime insurance agreement, dangers and risks, unseaworthiness of a ship, division of maritime insurance, P&I clubs, compulsory maritime insurance.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	none		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	written work, test, oral exami	60.0%	100.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	Literature used during classes: 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	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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