University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Maritime Law, PG_00199709		
Field of study	International Economic Relations		
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026	Academic year of realisation of subject	2027/2028
Education level	Master's studies	Subject group	Obligatory subject group in the field of study Optional subject group Subject group related to scientific research in the field of study
Mode of study	full-time studies	Mode of delivery	at the university
Year of study	2	Language of instruction	Polish
Semester of study	4	ECTS credits	4.0
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form	credit
Conducting unit			
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	15.0	15.0	0.0	30.0	0.0	60
	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	60	0.0	40.0	100

Subject objectives	Acquiring general knowledge about maritime law, highlighting the specificity of the regulation of maritime shipping activities, explaining the functioning of the institution of maritime law through the prism of international legal solutions.

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
[MSGMU2_U05] can apply the rules and standards of business activity in order to solve complex and atypical problems arising from international economic cooperation	is able to apply rules and standards governing business activity in the maritime economy sector to solve complex and non-standard problems arising from international economic cooperation	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/ report [SU5] implementation of a problem task
[MSGMU2_U14] has a thorough ability to prepare specialist oral presentations on economic and social issues, using specialist theoretical approaches, the principles of collecting data from various sources, their description and interpretation, and drawing conclusions on the basis of scientific literature; can prepare and lead a debate	possesses advanced skills in preparing specialized oral presentations in Polish on legal topics, utilizing specialized theoretical perspectives, principles for gathering and describing diverse data sources, interpretation, and reasoning based on academic literature; is able to prepare a project and discuss any questions with the lecturer during consultations	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/ report [SU5] implementation of a problem task [SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
[MSGMU2_K02] is ready to critically assess the level of acquired knowledge, skills and professional competence in the area of international economic relations	is ready to critically assess the level of knowledge, skills and professional competences in the area of maritime law	[SK5] implementation of a problem task [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
[MSGMU2_W04] has in-depth knowledge of of different types and elements of economic structures and institutions, including institutions, organisations and economic entities; understands the causes, course, scale and consequences of changes occurring in them, as well as relations between them on a national, international and intercultural scale; knows the theories explaining relations among them	has in-depth knowledge of various types and elements of structures of maritime organizations and economic entities in maritime shipping	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/ report [SW5] implementation of a problem task
[MSGMU2_W07] has a knowledge of selected (legal, organisational, ethical) rules and norms conditioning the functioning of economic structures and institutions on the international market; understands the regularities governing them, changes occurring in them and their sources, and their impact on the functioning of economic entities	has in-depth knowledge of selected legal rules and norms determining the functioning of structures and institutions operating in maritime trade	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work [SW5] implementation of a problem task
[MSGMU2_W10] has a systematized knowledge of the legal, cultural and financial conditions related to business operations, in particular those of an international nature	has in-depth knowledge of legal conditions related to conducting maritime business activities	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/ report [SW5] implementation of a problem task

Subject contents

1. Maritime law and the law of the sea: definitions and special 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, flag and port inspection), recognized organization.
3. The concept and legal nature of a seagoing vessel, the seaworthiness of a ship, the affiliation of a seagoing vessel, the ownership of a seagoing vessel, the conditions for registering a seagoing vessel.
4. Legal position of the captain of a sea vessel.
5. Legal standards for preventing sea pollution from ships.
6. Maritime accidents and incidents. Maritime chambers.
7. Umowa przewozu ładunku morzem, warunki umowy i strony umowy (czarterowej, bukingowej), konosament, fracht, wykonanie umowy przewozu ładunku morzem, odpowiedzialność przewoźnika, Reguły hasko-visbijskie, ograniczenie odpowiedzialności za roszczenia morskie.

Prerequisites and co-requisites

Assessment methods and criteria

Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
Presentation of the problem issue / Test	51.0%	50.0%
Solving cases	51.0%	50.0%

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 2020 M. H. Koziński, Morskie prawo publiczne, Gdynia 2015 "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, C. Łuczywek, I. Zużewicz - Wiewiórowska, Wolters Kluwer, 2022
	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.
	eResources addresses	
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed		
Work placement	Not applicable	

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