



Faculty of Law

JASN12, General Shipping Law, 15 credits

General Shipping Law, 15 högskolepoäng

Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by Faculty of Law Board of education at undergraduate and postgraduate levels on 2010-11-05 to be valid from 2010-11-05, spring semester 2011.

General Information

The course General Shipping Law is a compulsory course in the Master's Programme in Maritime Law.

Main field of studies

Maritime Law

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

A1F, Second cycle, has second-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

To pass the examination, the student shall be able to demonstrate knowledge and competences as below:

Knowledge and understanding

The student shall show in-depth knowledge and corresponding level of comprehension of the shipping industry regarding

- the concepts in shipping related to the nationality, registration and ownership of ships
- the concept relating to the law of marine collisions and groundings
- concepts relating to financing and operating ships, mortgage and arrest of ships
- law on collision and groundings
- maritime liability and limitation of liability

The student shall be able to show proficiency, both orally and in writing, in reproducing and reflecting on the acquired knowledge.

Skills and abilities

The student shall show competence to

- critically comment and analyze the international documents used in international shipping activities
- apply the conceptual apparatus related to shipping in specific problems
- independently perform an investigation on a self-chosen subject, thereby integrating previously learned information, analyzing the materials and evaluating the solution of the posed problem, and present the result in a written essay.

Judgement and approach

Maritime law has its roots way back in the ancient time long before the Roman Empire and the evolution has gradually developed with the industrial world. The students shall be able to show comprehension of both the development and the impact of legal discussions related to the transportation by sea and international transactions in the field of Maritime law. Also, the student is expected to show a level of proficiency, both orally and in writing, in restating, explaining and discussing the acquired information from different perspectives.

Course content

The course General Shipping Law covers the following main subjects: The different legal aspects related to the ship, the operation of ships, questions related to collisions and the liability regime in shipping.

The main object is to deepen the knowledge in different aspects of the activities related to shipping. The international regulations that will be discussed are the COLREGS, the Civil Liability Convention and the Fond Convention.

Concentration will also be put on problems related to the Arrest of Ships and maritime claims in general. The different types of cargo reflect different forms of claims and different solutions in insurance and those aspects will also be discussed. A minor part of the course will be a repetition of the regulatory systems in shipping.

Course design

Knowledge, comprehension and competences are attained by

- attendance at course lectures
- self-studies (course literature)
- oral training in seminars
- independent work on an essay

Teaching is provided in the form of lectures, seminars and individual tuition.

Assessment

The examination consists of an essay of 25 pp. There is a final seminar, where each essay will be scrutinized by a fellow student (opponent).

Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with credit, Pass with distinction.

Entry requirements

Students within the Master's Programme in Maritime Law qualify automatically for this course.

Students on the programme leading to a Swedish Professional Law degree and who follow the Master's Programme in Maritime Law in their studies at advanced level: prerequisites are stated in the curriculum for the Master of Law Programme at the Faculty of Law.

Prerequisites for international exchange students: relevant undergraduate studies corresponding to three years at a university level including basic knowledge of public international law.

Further information

The University views plagiarism as a very serious academic offence, and will take disciplinary actions against students for any kind of attempted malpractice in connection with examinations and assessments. The penalty that may be imposed for this, and other unfair practice in examinations or assessments, includes suspension from the University.

Subcourses in JASN12, General Shipping Law

Applies from H10

1001 General Shipping Law, 15,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with credit, Pass with distinction