

Syllabus form

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Subject Description Form

Subject Code	LGT6507
Subject Title	Shipping Law
Credit Value	3
Level	6
Normal Duration	1-semester
Pre-requisite Co-requisite/ Exclusion	Nil
Objectives	<p>This subject contributes to the following Intended Learning Outcomes for the doctoral programme: Doctor of International Shipping and Port (D.ISP).</p> <p>#1Apply International Shipping and Port Management Principles and Techniques.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Solve legal problems in shipping:● To equip the students with the knowledge of principles of law on carriage of goods and enable them to foresee the legal difficulties in making business decisions and to solve some legal problems in shipping practice.
Intended Learning Outcomes	<p>Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">a) understand and apply the carriage of goods law.b) analyze legal cases and interpret legislation and legal documents of international compliance.c) develop the ability to solve real legal issues by applying legal methods and conducting legal research.
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<p>I. Sea: Carrier's rights and obligations of common law and under Hague Rules, Hague-Visby Rules, Hamburg Rules, Hong Kong Carriage of Goods by Ordinance; Function of Shipping Documents including Bills of Lading,</p>

	<p>Delivery Orders, Mate’s Receipts, Sea Waybills, Electronic Bills of lading; Charter parties: voyage, time and demise charter parties.</p> <p>II. Land and Air: Carrier’s rights and obligations under CMR, COTIF/CIM and Warsaw Convention. Function of related documents including consignment notes and air waybills.</p> <p>III. Multimodal / Combined transport: analysis of some commonly standard trading conditions and international/regional conventions, e.g. the U.N. Convention on Multimodal Transportation of Goods 1980 and the Rotterdam Rules.</p> <p>IV. Freight forwarding: functions of freight forwarders and relevant standard trading conditions.</p> <p>V. The future of shipping law: challenges brought by the developments and applications of electronic B/L, block chain, autonomous ships, etc. and the discussion on the legal resolutions of these issues.</p>																														
<p>Teaching/Learning Methodology</p>	<p>Teaching and Learning Methods:</p> <p>Teaching method will be a combination of lectures, class discussions and group work.</p> <p>In the lectures, the general principles of the topics included in the syllabus will be presented and developed, with guidance on further readings and activities. Students will be given additional information on the learning materials and discussion topics, covering different issues.</p> <p>In the class discussions and group work, students will have the chance to exchange their experiences and ideas related to the subject matter and will be able to practice the legal methods by discussing and analysing legal cases by conducting research on new legal issues.</p>																														
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	<p>To reflect the significant technology content in this subject, 10% (or more) of the overall weighting of this subject is based on individual assessment concerning technology-related knowledge.</p> <p>Explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes:</p> <p>Assessment: The assessment will be based on two components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The final assessment will carry a weight of 50% in the course. The objective of this assignment is for students to apply legal principles, analyze real-world scenarios, and propose appropriate legal solutions based on their understanding of Shipping Law. b) Class discussion of cases, participation and presentation will contribute for the remaining 50% in the course. 							
Student Study Effort Expected	Class contact:							
	▪ Lectures / Tutorials		30 Hrs.					
	Other student study effort:							
	▪ Further readings		51 Hrs.					
	▪ Revision, doing cases and group discussion		45 Hrs.					
	Total student study effort		126 Hrs.					
	Reading List and References	<p>Baughen, Simon (2019) Shipping Law, 6th ed., London and New York: Routledge Taylor & Francis Group</p> <p>Tapaninen, U. (2020). Maritime Transport: Shipping Logistics and Operations. Kogan Page Publishers. De la Rue, C., Anderson, C., & Hare, J. (2022). Shipping and the environment: Law and practice. Informa Law from Routledge.</p> <p>Baatz, Y. (Ed.). (2020). Maritime law. Taylor & Francis.</p> <p>Ping-Fat, S. (2021). Carrier's liability under the Hague, Hague-Visby and Hamburg rules. Brill.</p> <p>Cooke, J., Young, T., Ashcroft, M., Taylor, A., Kimball, J., Martowski, D., ... &</p>						

	<p>Sturley, M. (2022). Voyage charters. Informa Law from Routledge.</p> <p>Mukherjee, P. K., Mejia, M. Q., & Xu, J. (Eds.). (2020). Maritime law in motion. Springer.</p> <p>Kasi, A. (2021). The Law of Carriage of Goods by Sea. Springer Singapore.</p> <p><i>Recommended periodicals, newspapers</i></p> <p>Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce</p> <p>Journal of Business Law</p> <p>Lloyd's List</p> <p>Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly</p> <p>Lloyd's Maritime Law Newsletter</p> <p>Journal of International Maritime Law</p> <p>Tulane Maritime Law Journal</p>
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