

# The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

## Subject Description Form

<b>Subject Code</b>	LGT2506
<b>Subject Title</b>	Law of Carriage of Goods by Sea
<b>Credit Value</b>	3
<b>Level</b>	2
<b>Normal Duration</b>	1-semester
<b>Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion</b>	Nil
<b>Role and Purposes</b>	This subject introduces the practical legal knowledge in sea carriage law and also the legal method to resolve legal problems.
<b>Subject Learning Outcomes</b>	<p>Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply the carriage of goods by sea law in Hong Kong, especially the Carriage of Goods by Sea Ordinance, the Bills of Lading and Analogous Shipping Documents Ordinance, the Hague-Visby Rules, the law in relation to bills of lading, voyage charterparties and time charterparties.</li> <li>Understand the structure of legal cases and the ways to interpret legislation and legal documents.</li> <li>Develop the ability to solve real legal issues by applying the legal method and conducting legal researches.</li> </ol> <p>Studying this subject will also help develop students' global outlook, critical thinking, as well as oral and written communication skills.</p>
<b>Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus</b>	<p>Sea Carriage Contracts</p> <p>Meaning and their relationship with international sale contracts.</p> <p>Bills of Lading</p> <p>Carriage of Goods by Sea Ordinance, Bills of Lading and Analogous Shipping Documents Ordinance, Hague-Visby Rules.</p> <p>Voyage and time charterparties.</p>
<b>Teaching/Learning Methodology</b>	<p>In the lectures, the general principles of the syllabus topics will be presented and developed, together with guidance on further reading and activities. The leading cases will also be presented and discussed in the lectures.</p> <p>In the tutorials, students will develop and apply the general principles sea carriage law and discuss leading cases.</p>

Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed					
			a	b	c			
	1. Tutorial	20%	✓	✓	✓			
	2. Test	30%	✓	✓	✓			
	3. Examination	50%	✓	✓	✓			
	Total	100 %						
Student Study Effort Expected	Explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes:							
	Students will be asked to apply legal method to provide solutions to problems which are practical and real.							
	To pass this subject, students are required to obtain Grade D or above in the Tutorial, Test and Exam components.							
Student Study Effort Expected	Class contact:							
	▪ Lecture						26 Hrs.	
	▪ Tutorial						13 Hrs.	
	Other student study effort:							
	▪ Self Study						87 Hrs.	
	▪							
	Total student study effort						126 Hrs.	
Reading List and References	<b>Recommended Textbooks</b>							
	Chan, F., Ng, J.J.M. and Tai, S.K. (2015), <i>Shipping and Logistics Law: Principles and Practice in Hong Kong</i> , 2nd ed., HK University Press.							
	Wilson, J.F. (2010), <i>Carriage of Goods by Sea</i> , 7th ed., New York: Pearson Longman.							
	<b>References</b>							
	Justice Barma, JA (Editor-in-Chief) (2015), <i>Maritime Law and Practice in Hong Kong</i> , Sweet & Maxwell/Thomson Reuters HK Ltd.							
	Chan, F. & others (2000), <i>Maritime Law</i> , vol. 18(1) of Halsbury’s Laws of Hong Kong, Butterworths Asia.							
	Treitel, G. and others (2011), <i>Carver on Bills of Lading</i> , 3rd ed., London: Sweet & Maxwell.							
	Hughes, A.D. (1999), <i>Casebook on Carriage of Goods by Sea</i> , 2nd ed., Blackstone.							
	<b>Recommended periodicals, newspapers and internet materials</b>							
	Lloyd’s Maritime Law Newsletter							
	Dr Tai’s Maritime Law (website): <a href="http://hkmaritimelaw.com">http://hkmaritimelaw.com</a>							
	Dr Tai’s Maritime Law (Facebook): <a href="https://www.facebook.com/TaiMarL">https://www.facebook.com/TaiMarL</a>							

--	--