

# The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

## Subject Description Form

<b>Subject Code</b>	LGT3023
<b>Subject Title</b>	Carriage of Goods Law
<b>Credit Value</b>	3
<b>Level</b>	3
<b>Normal Duration</b>	1-semester
<b>Pre-requisite</b>	Nil
<b>Objectives</b>	<p>Carriage of Goods Law introduces the legal cases and statutes related to carriage of goods by sea. In addition, the students will learn how to identify and solve legal problems.</p> <p>The students will also learn to identify and resolve ethical issues in legal context.</p> <p>The objective of this course is to help students to appreciate the possible legal implications of sea carriage issues that they may encounter in the real world.</p>
<b>Intended Learning Outcomes</b>	<p>Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply the sea carriage law in Hong Kong and English law.</li> <li>Analyse legal cases.</li> <li>Conduct legal researches.</li> </ol>
<b>Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus</b>	<p>The historical development of UK Sea Carriage Law</p> <p>Bills of lading: practices and functions</p> <p>Some other shipping documents</p> <p>Rights &amp; obligations of the parties under a contract of carriage by sea</p> <p>HK Legislation: Carriage of Goods by Sea Ordinance (Cap 462) and others</p> <p>International Conventions: the Hague - Visby Rules;</p> <p>Comparative perspectives: the Hague Rules, the Hamburg Rules, and the Rotterdam Rules; Maritime Code of PRC; American laws</p>

<b>Teaching/Learning Methodology</b>	In lectures, the students will learn the legal principles through the relevant court case and statutes by teacher’s presentation and class discussions.  In tutorials, the students will learn the IRAC method and use it to analyse the related legal cases.							
<b>Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes</b>	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)					
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	Home assignments/Legal case presentation	40%	✓	✓	✓			
	Examination	60%	✓	✓	✓			
	Total	100 %						
	Methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes: Questions will be asked to test students’ ability to apply legal method to solve practical problems and cases related to Carriage of Goods by Sea Law.  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 in conducting legal research through computer.							
<b>Student Study Effort Expected</b>	Class contact:							
	▪ Lecture		26 Hrs.					
	▪ Tutorial		13 Hrs.					
	Review after lectures and tutorials:		87 Hrs.					
	Total student study effort		126 Hrs.					
<b>Reading List and References</b>	<b><u>Recommended Textbooks</u></b>  Wilson, J.F. (2010), <i>Carriage of Goods by Sea</i> , 7th ed., New York: Pearson Longman [available in library].  <b><u>References</u></b>  Girvin, Stephen (2022) <i>Carriage of Goods by Sea</i> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> edi., Oxford University Press  Baughen, Simon (2023) <i>Shipping Law</i> , 8th ed., London and New York:							

	<p>Routledge Taylor &amp; Francis Group</p> <p>Chan, Felix W. H., et al, (2015) Shipping and logistics law: principles and practice in Hong Kong, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed, Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press</p> <p>Chan, F. and Others (2008 reissue), <i>Maritime Law</i>, vol. 18(1) Halsbury's Laws of Hong Kong, Butterworths [available in library]</p> <p>Glass, D.A. (2012), Freight Forwarding &amp; Multimodal Transport Contracts, 2nd ed., London: LLP [available in library].</p> <p>Stewart C. Boyd [et al.] (2011), <i>Scrutton on charterparties and bills of lading</i>, 22nd ed., London: Sweet &amp; Maxwell [available in library].</p> <p>Treitel, G. and Others (2011), <i>Carver on Bills of Lading</i>, 3rd ed., London: Sweet &amp; Maxwell [available in library]</p> <p><b><u>Recommended law report and periodicals</u></b></p> <p>Lloyd's Law Reports (i-law.com)</p> <p>Journal of International Maritime Law</p> <p>Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly</p> <p>Lloyd's Maritime Law Newsletter</p>
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