

Course Report: Maritime & Transportation Law 2023

This report is based on the course evaluation done at the end of the autumn semester 2023.

Overall, I am content with the course:

1	2	3	4	5
0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	100 %

The content of the course was relevant for me to achieve the expected study results:

1	2	3	4	5
0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	100 %

The teaching gave me good conditions to achieve the expected study results:

1	2	3	4	5
0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	100 %

The examination tested how well I achieved the expected study results:

1	2	3	4	5
0 %	0 %	0 %	33,3 %	66,7 %

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On average per week I have spent approximately the following number of hours on the course, total time including self-study:

0–10	11–20	21-30	31–40	40<
0 %	33,3 %	0 %	66,7 %	0 %

Last semester the basic structure of the maritime and transportation law course was changed. In principle all lectures were replaced by a number of seminars in order to increase the activity and in the end the students' learning results. Together with the four student papers that serve as a preparation for the exam, this led to that the students' results at the exam improved significantly. Only few students failed the exam.

The exam was arranged in December instead of January, which made it possible for the foreign students to travel back home for Christmas holiday. After Christmas a new case was arranged through Zoom. The case was based on a fictive sea accident and lasted from Monday to Friday. It formed an opportunity for the students to practise much of the theoretical knowledge they had gained during the initial part of the course that ended with the exam before Christmas.

It seems that the students were content with the course although only three students submitted the course evaluation. The future plan is to further develop the course by replacing the written exam with a continuous examination during the course. Recorded lectures and digital test will be added in order to make it easier for the students to prepare the classes. A better preparation also means that the discussions can begin at a much higher level.

There is also a need for modernising the course literature. The latest edition of one of the main text books was published in 2016.

In supra fidem

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