

Faculty of Law  
Department of Legal Sciences  
Professional Area: Law  
Major: International Maritime Law  
Educational-and-qualification Degree: Master

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

1. Course unit title: **Security and Safety in Maritime Shipping**
2. Course unit code: SEC 3179
3. Type of course unit: elective
4. Level of course unit: Master
5. Year of study: I
6. Semester: II
7. Number of ECTS credits allocated: 3
8. Name of lecturer: Prof. Capt. I rank Boyan Mednikarov, D.Sc.
9. Learning outcomes of the course unit: The course objective is that learners form systematic views of maritime safety and security in general and of the protection of maritime transportation system in particular. As a result, students must
  - KNOW: the basics of maritime security and safety; the modern views of the Black Sea region and the main risks and threats to maritime security, the modern views of the MTS and its protection; the modern views of the organization, preparation and activities of the management staff of ships, companies and port facilities concerning the implementation of measures and the selection of procedures related to the security and safety of MTS; the requirements of international and national regulating documents related to the safety and security of ships, companies and port facilities.
  - BE ABLE: to build a situational model for assessing the residual risk to ships and ports and to assess resulting risks; to suggest and perform technical and organizational measures and procedures for protecting the individual elements of MTS; to apply in their practice the regulatory requirements for the responsible officials in accordance with the existing international and national regulations related to the security and safety of ships, companies and port facilities.
10. Mode of delivery: Face-to-face. Lectures are ensured with visuals.
11. Prerequisites and co-requisites: none.
12. Course contents: The course Security and Safety in Maritime Shipping provides acquisition of the modern views of maritime security and safety; the protection of maritime transportation system (MTS); the organization, preparation and activities of the management staff of ships, companies and port facilities concerning the implementation of measures and the selection of procedures related to the security and safety of MTS. The theoretical material is presented in accordance with the requirements of the national and international normative documents regulating the security and safety of shipping, highlighting the principal reasons for their development. This allows, in the future, learners to study on their own newly arrived normative documents and to find the practical implementation of these while performing their functional duties.
13. Recommended or required reading:
  - Медникаров Б. Защита на морския суверенитет, Варна, ВВМУ, 2008.
  - Медникаров Б. Сигурност на морската транспортна система. Варна, ВВМУ "Н.Й.Вапцаров", 2008.
14. Planned learning activities and teaching methods: Lectures.
15. Assessment methods and criteria: Course learning results are evaluated by a complex assessment mark after the course, at the end of the semester. At the end of each topic there is continuous assessment of the amount of learnt material. For this purpose control questions and tests are used. The course ends with the defense of a course assignment or with an exam. Positive assessment mark is placed after a successful presentation of the course project.
16. Language of instruction: Bulgarian.
17. Work placement: none.