

Course guide

280620 - 280620 - Maritime Safety & Security

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Degree:	BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN NAUTICAL SCIENCE AND MARITIME TRANSPORT (Syllabus 2010). (Compulsory subject).	
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DEGREE COMPETENCES TO WHICH THE SUBJECT CONTRIBUTES

Specific:

1. Knowledge, use and application of the ship from the principles of safety and security of the ship, fire fighting and survival, preventing and combating pollution.
4. Knowledge, use and application of the principles of the ship systems and quality management applied to the vessel and safety management audits of the ship.

Generical:

CG8.GEN. ABILITY TO IDENTIFY AND SOLVE PROBLEMS IN THE FIELD OF ENGINEERING

Transversal:

2. ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INNOVATION - Level 2. Taking initiatives that give rise to opportunities and to new products and solutions, doing so with a vision of process implementation and market understanding, and involving others in projects that have to be carried out.

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THE SUBJECT

This course will evaluate the following STCW competences: Respond to emergencies, prevent, control and fight fires on board, operate life-saving appliances.

To assume ship safety depends not only on her equipment but also her construction and those associated (crews, designers, companies, inspection bodies, ...).

To understand, interpret and use international conventions and other regulations in regard to maritime safety and security.

To distinguish the concept of Safety from Security and recognize onboard equipment, procedures or facilities relating to one or the other.

Competencies

The ones corresponding to specific 11 and 12 together with the ones in chart A-II/1 of the STCW convention: "Respond to emergencies", "Prevent, control and fight fires on board", "Operate life-saving appliances", part of "Monitor compliance with legislative requirements" and "Contribute to the safety of personnel and ship".

STUDY LOAD

Type	Hours	Percentage
Self study	90,0	60.00
Hours large group	60,0	40.00

Total learning time: 150 h

CONTENTS

(ENG) 1.- International Maritime Organization.

Description:

What is and how IMO is organized, its committees and its strategic plan. Basic working knowledge of the relevant IMO conventions concerning safety of life at sea and protection of the marine environment.
(These skills are required by the STCW Convention)

Full-or-part-time: 4h

Theory classes: 3h

Guided activities: 1h

(ENG) 2.- Introduction to the Solas convention. Definitions and general provisions.

Description:

The Solas Convention: versions, structure, content. Solas I and Solas II-1 -. Definitions, surveys and safety certificates, unattended machinery spaces.

Full-or-part-time: 4h

Theory classes: 3h

Guided activities: 1h

(ENG) 3.- Fire prevention and Firefighting.

Description:

The marine casualty. Fire. Fire prevention. Fire detection. Methods of protection. Firefighting. Maintenance of equipment. The fire drill and operational issues.

Related activities:

Structural fire protection.

Fixed fire fighting system.

Fire drill.

Full-or-part-time: 12h

Theory classes: 5h 30m

Laboratory classes: 1h 30m

Guided activities: 1h

Self study : 4h

(ENG) 4.- Life saving equipment and instalations.

Description:

Number and arrangement of the life saving devices on board. Individual devices. Visual cues. Survival craft and rescue boats. Launching and embarkation. Abandon ship drill.

Related activities:

Survival crafts.

Abandon ship drill.

Full-or-part-time: 12h

Theory classes: 5h

Guided activities: 2h

Self study : 5h

(ENG) 5.- Global Maritime Distress and Safety System.

Description:

Organization. Components and equipment. Maritime safety information. Radio (Solas IV).

Full-or-part-time: 4h

Theory classes: 3h

Guided activities: 1h

(ENG) 7.- Evaluation.

Description:

Doing exercises review. Presentations.

Full-or-part-time: 8h

Practical classes: 2h

Self study : 6h

(ENG) 6.- Safety of navigation.

Description:

Solas V. - routeing, bridge, navigational equipment, the establishment of minimum safe manning, working language.
International Convention for Preventing Collisions at Sea: - Rules of maneuvering, navigation lights and shapes.

Full-or-part-time: 8h

Theory classes: 5h

Laboratory classes: 1h

Self study : 2h

(ENG) 8.- Safety management on board.

Description:

The International Safety Management Code for the Safe Operation of Ships and for Pollution Prevention (Solas Solas IX and XI-1). Risk management.

Related activities:

Exercise on risk management.

Full-or-part-time: 8h

Theory classes: 2h

Laboratory classes: 1h

Guided activities: 1h

Self study : 4h

(ENG) 9.- Maritime security.

Description:

Ship security. Protection of the port facility. Security officers. Assessment for protection. Equipment and protective systems. Threats. Piracy.

Related activities:

Exercise on ship security.

Full-or-part-time: 12h

Theory classes: 6h

Guided activities: 1h

Self study : 5h

(ENG) 10.- Maritime safety warranty.

Description:

The Spanish Directorate General of Merchant Marine. Flag surveys. Classification societies. The PSC inspections. Vetting.

Full-or-part-time: 4h

Theory classes: 2h

Guided activities: 1h

Self study : 1h

(ENG) 11.- The human factor.

Description:

Fatigue. The International Labour Organization and the Maritime Labour Convention.

Full-or-part-time: 4h

Theory classes: 2h

Self study : 2h

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Description:

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Full-or-part-time: 3h

Guided activities: 3h

GRADING SYSTEM

The marks in the subject will be based in the following rates:

Attendance (compulsory): 10%

Activities: 30%

Partial exam: 30%

Final exam: 30%

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Basic:

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RESOURCES

Hyperlink:

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- www.wikipedia.com