



Course Code SHIP-503	Course Title Liner Shipping and Chartering	Credits (ECTS) 10
Department Accounting	Semester Fall, Spring	Prerequisites None
Type of Course Required	Field Shipping & Logistics Management	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 2 nd Cycle	Year of Study 1 st	Lecturer Dr. Petros Vassilopoulos
Mode of Delivery Face to face	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None

Objectives of the Course

The main objectives of the course are to:

- Ensure a thorough knowledge and understanding of liner business.
- Understand the liner shipping operations, and the liner industry structure.
- Ensure knowledge of the concept of unitization and intermodalism.
- Develop an awareness and understanding of the legal aspects of liner trades.
- Ensure a thorough knowledge and understanding of ship chartering.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

1. Thoroughly understand the characteristics of liner services and their difference from the tramp trades.
2. Understand the Liner Trades of the world - container, Ro-Ro and residual break-bulk, their trade routes, ports and relative importance.
3. Thoroughly understand the different types of container ships including cellular/non-cellular, post Panamax, hatchless, feeders, „fast ships“ and other predicted developments.
4. Understand the types of ro-ro ships including passenger and freight ferries, deep sea ro-ro/containerships, freight ro-ro ships and ro-ro ships for specialist traffic e.g. forest products.
5. Thoroughly understand the paramount importance of bills of lading in the Liner Trades, their function and their role in international trade.
6. Show an in depth understanding of the implications for the tanker trades and the practical effects of environmental protection and pollution liability legislation including MARPOL, USA OPA and EU legislation.
7. Be aware of the role of the bill of lading in charter parties and in particular the liabilities of the shipowner to the bill of lading holder.
8. Thoroughly understand the legal, tactical and ethical requirements of the chartering market and the avoidance of conflicts between them.

Course Contents

1. Definition of Liner Trades
2. The Ships
3. Port Terminals and Cargo Handling
4. Containerization, Intermodal, Transport and Logistics
5. Liner industry structure
6. Bills of Lading and Other documents
7. Financial aspects of import and export business
8. Legal aspects of liner trades
9. Chartering Market Practice
10. The financial elements of charter parties
11. Relevant E.U. Directives and Legislation
12. International Conventions
13. Shipping Law
14. Control of Ships by Host States and Ports
15. Security and Environment

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods

Lectures, Directed and Background Reading, Case Study Analysis and Discussion, Academic Paper Discussion, In-class Exercises, Student-led Presentations

Assessment Methods

Coursework, Case studies & Projects, Mid-Term Exam, Final Exam

Required Textbooks

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Collins, Nick	The essential guide to chartering and the dry freight market	Clarkson Research Studies	2000	
Lopez, Norman and Bes J.	Bes' chartering and shipping terms	Barker and Howard	1992	

Recommended Textbooks/Reading

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Gordon and Ihre	Shipbroking and Chartering Practice, 6 th edition	Witberbys Publishing, UK	2004	
Isbester Capr. Jack	Bulk carrier practice: a practical guide, 2 nd edition	Nautical Insitute	2010	
Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers	Tanker Chartering	ICS	2013	