



Bangladesh University of Business and Technology (BUBT)

(Outcome-Based Curriculum)

Faculty of Law

LL.M. Program

Course Outline

Part A

1. **Course Code** : LAW-04215107(LAW 5107)
2. **Course Title** : Maritime and Shipping Law
3. **Course Type** : Compulsory
4. **Year/Semester** : LL.M, First Year, First Semester
5. **Academic Session** : Spring 2025

6. Course Teacher's Information

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7. **Pre requisite (If any)** : None

8. **Credit Value** : 4.00 Credit Hours

9. **Contact Hours** : Class Hours = 17 Weeks = (34 Classes x 1.25 Hours per class) = 42.5 Hours
Counseling Hours = 17 Weeks x 2 Hours per week = 34 Hours

**For optimum utilization of physical resources, the duration of our class weeks are 17 weeks.*

10. **Total Marks** : 100

11. Class Schedule and Counseling Hours

Intake	Section	Class Schedule			Counseling Hours		
		Day	Time	Room No.	Day	Time	Room No.
47	1	Saturday	03.30 PM to 04.40 PM & 04.40 PM to 05.50 PM	B1- 510	Saturday	01.30 PM to 03.30 PM	B1- 512

12. Rationale of the Course :

The course of Maritime and Shipping Law provides a specialized understanding over the maritime and shipping laws of the country. It also endeavors into explaining and clarifying different maritime and shipping customs and conventions as well as practical implications of Maritime and Shipping laws. With specific focuses on Merchant Shipping, Carriage of Goods by Sea, Maritime Safety, Marine Insurance and Admiralty Court, this course aims to build a comprehensive groundwork within the students in order to enable them to succeed in the specialized arena of Maritime and Shipping Law. It will also shed some light on the challenges such as inadequate enforcement, outdated provisions, and lack of specialized tribunals which highlight the need for legislative reforms and institutional capacity building.

13. Course Objectives:

The objectives of this course are as follows:

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

- i. Understand the fundamental concepts maritime jurisdiction, shipping operations, and port management within the context of Bangladesh.
- ii. Evaluate the effectiveness of existing shipping laws and propose necessary reforms.
- iii. Understand the legal framework regulating the carriage of goods, including the rights and liabilities of carriers and shippers.
- iv. Develop skills to resolve disputes arising from the carriage of goods by sea through legal and alternative mechanisms.
- v. Understand the laws governing marine insurance, collisions, pilotage, tugging, and salvage operations.
- vi. Evaluate the laws related to maritime safety and the role of the Admiralty Court in resolving maritime disputes.
- vii. Apply theoretical knowledge to practical cases involving maritime laws and enhance critical thinking and problem-solving abilities in maritime legal contexts.

14. Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs) and Mapping of CLOs with Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs):

Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs):

The expected learning outcomes of this course are as follows:

CLO1	Describe the basic concepts of maritime and shipping issues and laws in Bangladesh.
CLO2	Analyze the Laws relating to Merchant Shipping in Bangladesh.
CLO3	Discuss and evaluate Laws relating to Carriage of Goods by Sea and able to settle the disputes arising from the carriage.
CLO4	Explain the Laws relating to Marine Insurance, Collision, Pilotage, Tugging & Salvage
CLO5	State and evaluate Laws relating to Maritime Safety and Admiralty Court in Bangladesh

Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs):

PLO1	Legal knowledge: Apply the knowledge of evaluation, fundamentals and legal specialization to solve the legal problems.
PLO2	Problem analysis: Identify, formulate, research the literature and analyses legal problems and reach substantiated conclusions using provisions of law.
PLO3	Investigation: Conduct investigations of various legal problems, considering provisions of law, analysis and interpretation of case laws to provide lawful conclusions.
PLO4	Legal Professionals and society: Apply reasoning informed by relative knowledge to assess societal, health, safety, legal and cultural issues and the consequent responsibilities relevant to professional manners and etiquette.
PLO5	Ethics: Apply ethical principles and commit to professional ethics, responsibilities and the norms of the lawyers professional manners and etiquette.
PLO6	Individual work and team work: Function effectively in the individual law chamber and as a member or leader of particular law chamber or legal work base office/teams as well as in multidisciplinary settings.
PLO7	Communication: Communicate effectively about legal issues with the general people and with society at large. Be able to comprehend and write effective opinion, prepare legal documentation, make effective presentations before the court and clients and give and receive clear instructions..
PLO8	Life-long learning: Recognize and need for and have the preparation and ability to engage in independent, life-long learning in the broadest context of legal changes.

Mapping of CLOs with Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs):

Course Learning Outcome (CLOs)	PLO1	PLO2	PLO3	PLO4	PLO5	PLO6	PLO7	PLO8
CLO1: Describe the basic concepts of maritime and shipping issues and laws in Bangladesh.	√	√		√	√	√		√
CLO2: Analyze the Laws relating to Merchant Shipping in Bangladesh.	√			√	√		√	
CLO3: Discuss and evaluate Laws relating to Carriage of Goods by Sea and able to settle the disputes arising from the carriage.	√			√	√	√	√	
CLO4: Explain the Laws relating to Marine Insurance, Collision, Pilotage, Tugging & Salvage	√	√	√		√		√	
CLO5: State and evaluate Laws relating to Maritime Safety and Admiralty Court in Bangladesh	√	√		√	√		√	√

Part B

15. Course plan specifying contents, CLOs, teaching-learning and assessment strategy with corresponding CLOs:

Week	Lecture	Topics	Book(s)& Other Reference(s)	Teaching- Learning Strategy	Assessment Strategy	Corresponding CLO (s)
1	1	Introduction to Maritime & Shipping Law: Nature of Maritime & Shipping Law, Difference between Maritime Law and Law of the Sea, Arrest of Ships and Marine Injunction	The Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones Act, 1974, Robert Force, <i>Admiralty and Maritime Law</i>	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO1
	2			Lecture		CLO1
2	3			The Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones Act, 1974; Bill of Lading, Charter Parties, Contract of Affreightment, Differences between Bill of Lading and Charter party		The Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones Act, 1974, The Bangladesh Merchant Shipping Act, 2020, S.M. Mohiuddin Hasan, <i>Admiralty and Maritime Laws of Bangladesh</i> , 6 th edn., Shams Publications, 2016
	4	Lecture	CLO1			
3	5	Laws relating to Merchant Shipping in Bangladesh: Definitions, Registration of Ships, Mortgage of Ship under The Bangladesh Merchant Shipping Act, 2020		Lecture, Interactive Discussion		Class Test 01
	6			Lecture, Interactive Discussion	CLO2	
4	7	Legal Proceedings and Important Aspects under The Bangladesh Merchant Shipping Act, 2020	The Bangladesh Merchant Shipping Act, 2020, S.M. Mohiuddin Hasan, <i>Admiralty and Maritime Laws of Bangladesh</i> , 6 th edn., Shams Publications, 2016	Lecture	CLO2	
	8			Lecture	CLO2	
5	9			Lecture, Group Study	CLO2	
10	Importance and Important Aspects of Bangladesh Flag Vessels (Protection of Interest) Act, 2019			Bangladesh Flag Vessels (Protection of Interest) Act, 2019 S.M. Mohiuddin	Lecture, Group Study	CLO2

6	11	Mechanism of maritime trade in the eyes of the Bill of Lading Act, 1856, the Carriers Act, 1865 and the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1925	Hasan, <i>Admiralty and Maritime Laws of Bangladesh</i> , 6 th edn., Shams Publications, 2016	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO2
	12			The Bill of Lading Act, 1856, the Carriers Act, 1865 and the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1925		Lecture, Interactive Discussion
7	13	Fundamental aspects of the Hague Rules & Hague Visby Rules	Hague Rules & Hague Visby Rules	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO2
	14			Lecture		CLO2
8	15	Hamburg Rules and Rotterdam Rules. Carriers' Rights, Duties, Responsibilities and Immunities regarding Carriage of Goods by Sea.	Hamburg Rules and Rotterdam Rules	Lecture, Self Study, Group Discussion		CLO1, CLO2, CLO3
	16		Hamburg Rules and Rotterdam Rules	Lecture		CLO2
	Midterm Examination					
9	17	Laws relating to Marine Insurance: Definition, Terms and Conditions of Marine Insurance, Important	Marine Insurance Act, 1906. S.M. Mohiuddin Hasan, <i>Admiralty and Maritime Laws of Bangladesh</i> , 6 th edn.,	Lecture		CLO3

	18	Aspects of the Marine Insurance Act, 1906.	Shams Publications, 2016	Lecture	Presentation & Assignment	CLO3	
10	19	Basic Principles of Marine Insurance, Doctrine of subrogation. Warranties in Marine Insurance.	Marine Insurance Act, 1906, S.M. Mohiuddin Hasan, <i>Admiralty and Maritime Laws of Bangladesh</i> , 6 th edn., Shams Publications, 2016	Lecture		CLO3	
	20			Lecture, Group Study		CLO3	
11	21	Laws relating to Collision & Salvage: Definition, Nature, Essentials of Action for Collision under The Maritime Convention Act, 1911.		Maritime Convention Act, 1911, S.M. Mohiuddin Hasan, <i>Admiralty and Maritime Laws of Bangladesh</i> , 6 th edn., Shams Publications, 2016		Lecture	CLO3
	22					Lecture, Group Study	CLO3
12	23	Determination of the compensation and liabilities of marine collision.	Maritime Convention Act, 1911	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO4	
	24	The Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention		Lecture		CLO4	
13	25			The Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention		Lecture	CLO4
	26	Laws relating to Maritime Safety: Powers, Functions and Important Aspects under The Coast Guard Act, 1994 and 2016 Act. Ship safety under various safety regulations.	Coast Guard Act, 1994 and 2016 Act, S.M. Mohiuddin Hasan, <i>Admiralty and Maritime Laws of Bangladesh</i> , 6 th edn., Shams Publications, 2016	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		Class Test 02	CLO4
14	27			Lecture			CLO4
	28		The International Convention for the Prevention of	Lecture	CLO4		

15	29	The International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL), The Convention for Standards of Training, Certification and Watch keeping for Seafarers	Pollution from Ships (MARPOL), The Convention for Standards of Training, Certification and Watch keeping for Seafarers	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO4
	30	Laws relating to Admiralty Court in Bangladesh: Powers, Functions and Jurisdiction of Admiralty Court under the Admiralty Court Act, 2000 & Admiralty Court Rules.	Admiralty Court Act,2000	Lecture		CLO5
16	31			Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO5
	32			Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO5
17	33	Protection of the maritime laborers under the Maritime Labor Convention	The Maritime Labor Convention	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO5
	34	Revision Class		Interactive Discussion		
	Final Examination					

Part C

16. Assessment and Evaluation:

a) Assessment Strategy:

- Students will have **two class tests (CTs)** during the semester in this course. The date and time of each Class Test will be announced before the tests. All CTs will be closed book.
- The marks of the **two class tests** will be counted and averaged.
- There will be **one assignment** with **presentation**.
- No late submission of any assignment will be accepted.
- If students cannot submit their assignments within due time for any valid reason(s), their assignment will be accepted as late submission but the marks of assignment will be deducted.
- Failure to submit assignments will carry Zero Mark(s).
- Evaluated copies of assignments will be shown to the students during the class time.
- Zero tolerance will be shown in case of copy/manipulation in assignment. Two or more copied assignments will carry zero mark.

- ix. Remaining absent in any presentation will carry zero mark in that presentation and there will be no make-up presentation.
- x. There will be one **Midterm Examination** and the **Final Examination** according to the rule of BUBT.
- xi. All the examined scripts of Class Tests and Midterm Examination will be shown to the students during the class time.

b) Marks Distribution:

Marks distribution of each course at BUBT is made on 100 marks and the distribution of weightage is given below:

<i>Particulars</i>	<i>Marks</i>
Class Attendance	05
Class Test	15
Assignment and Presentation	10
Midterm Examination	30
Final Examination	40
<i>Total</i>	<i>100</i>

Marks distribution for class attendance

A student must attend at least 70% classes in all the courses. 5% marks in each course is allocated for attendance and this score will vary from 1 to 5 according to his/her percentage of presence as shown below:

<i>Percentage of Attendance</i>	<i>Marks</i>
91% to 100%	5
86% to 90%	4
81% to 86%	3
76% to 80%	2
70% to 75%	1

c) Grading Policy:

The grading policy of BUBT will be followed to grade the students:

Marks (%)	Letter Grade	Grade Point
80 -100	A+	4.00
75 to less than 80	A	3.75
70 to less than 75	A-	3.50
65 to less than 70	B+	3.25
60 to less than 65	B	3.00
55 to less than 60	B-	2.75
50 to less than 55	C+	2.50
45 to less than 50	C	2.25
40 to less than 45	D	2.00
Less than 40	F	0.00

d) Make-up Procedure:

- i. If any student remains absent in CT(s) because of valid reason(s), he/she must report it to the course teacher immediately. The course teacher may consider the reason(s) of remaining absent in CT(s) and may give a make-up schedule for that CT(s). No further make-up schedule of CT(s) will be given if a student fails to comply with the earlier make-up schedule.
- ii. If any student fails to attend the Mid-term Examination or and Final Examination for valid reason(s), he/she may apply for supplementary examination(s) **according to the rules of BUBT** and the supplementary examination(s) will be conducted by the Controller of Examination according to the examination rules of BUBT.
- iii. If any student remains absent in any class(es) due to valid reason(s), he/she needs to submit a ‘Written Application’ to the course teacher supported by proper document(s). After verifying the submitted documents, the class teacher may grant him/her a ‘Leave of Absence’ and may consider the attendance for those class(es).

Part D

17. Learning Materials

a) Recommended Readings:

S.M. Mohiuddin Hasan, *Admiralty and Maritime Laws of Bangladesh*, 6th edn., Shams Publications, 2016
David Joseph Attard, Malgosia Fitzmaurice, Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez, IMO International Maritime Law Institute, *The IMLI Manual on International Maritime Law: The law of the sea*, Oxford University Press, 2014
Robert Force, *Admiralty and Maritime Law*
Christopher Hill, *Maritime Law*, 6th edn, LLP, 2003
Frank Mariast, *Admiralty in Nutshell*, 7th edn., West Academic

b) Statutes:

The Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones Act, 1974

The Bangladesh Merchant Shipping Act, 2020
The International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL), 1973
The Convention for Standards of Training, Certification and Watch keeping for Seafarers, 1978
Bangladesh Flag Vessels (Protection of Interest) Act, 2019
Admiralty Court Act, 2000
The Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention, 1974
Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1925
The Hague Rules, 1924
The Hague Visby Rules, 1968
The Hamburg Rules, 1978
The Rotterdam Rules, 2008
International Convention on Arrest of Ships, 1999
International Convention on Maritime Liens and Mortgages, 1999
Bill of Lading Act 1856.
The Marine Insurance Act, 1906.
The Carriers Act, 1865
The Maritime Convention Act, 1911.
The Maritime Labor Convention, 2006
The Coast Guard Act, 1994 and 2016 Act.

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