

ADMIRALTY LAW (ADMR)

ADMR 2010 Admiralty I (3 Credit Hours)

This course will survey substantive matters, including carriage of goods by sea; charter parties; personal injury and death; collision; towage, pilotage, and salvage. Admiralty I is not a prerequisite for the course in Admiralty II; however, both Admiralty I and II are required for J.D. students prior to enrollment in any other Admiralty courses that are regularly offered. Advanced Admiralty courses may not be taken by J.D. students simultaneously with either Admiralty I or II.

ADMR 2020 Admiralty II (3 Credit Hours)

This course deals mostly with jurisdictional and procedural matters, including jurisdiction over maritime claims, considerations of federalism, forum non conveniens, choice of law, special procedures in admiralty cases, limitation of liability, and maritime liens. Admiralty II may be taken prior to Admiralty I. Both courses must be taken by J.D. students as prerequisites to any other regularly offered admiralty courses.

ADMR 6000 Admiralty Seminar (2-3 Credit Hours)

The seminar will have a common theme to be selected by the class with some suggestions from the professor. Students attending the first class should have given some thought as to what they would like to see the seminar cover. Admiralty I is a prerequisite.

ADMR 6080 Carriage of Goods By Sea (2 Credit Hours)

A course involving the legal problems arising out of damage to cargoes transported between the United States and foreign ports, and focusing on the Carriage of Goods by Sea and Harter Acts, and the Rotterdam Rules. The Hague rules and pertinent parts of the Chinese Maritime Code also are discussed. J.D. students must have taken Admiralty I and II. Graduate students have the option to write a paper or take an examination.

ADMR 6350 Collision Law & Limit of Liab (3 Credit Hours)

This course presents the general principles of maritime collision law, including causation, legal presumptions, the effect of statutory violations, apportionment of fault, damages, special evidentiary rules and an overview of navigation Rules of the Road and their interpretation. This course then provides an in-depth study of limitation of liability from a practical point of view. After study of the theory of limitation of liability, the assertion of this right will be considered in detail, as well as the content of the limitation fund and how it is distributed. J.D. students must have taken Admiralty I and II.

ADMR 6430 Marine Insurance I (2 Credit Hours)

An advanced admiralty course that focuses on the legal problems involved in insurance against physical loss or damage to maritime property (hull and cargo), against maritime liabilities (protection and indemnity), and for damage to cargo. J.D. students must have taken Admiralty I and II. Student has the option of either taking an examination or writing a paper in this course.

ADMR 6440 Marine Insurance II (2 Credit Hours)

An advanced admiralty course that focuses on the legal problems arising out of maritime insurance policies. The course examines hull, cargo, P & I, commercial marine property and liability policies. The course will also examine "cyber insurance" issues, the liability of agents, brokers and underwriters; the effect of the insolvency of an insurance company; excess and surplus line coverage; the duty to defend; reinsurance; and current problems in the law of marine insurance coverages. Grade will be based on an anonymous exam except graduate students, who may opt to write a paper. Graduate students and third-year J.D. students who have taken Admiralty I and II may enroll in the course.

ADMR 6500 Maritime Litigation Practicum (1-3 Credit Hours)

Practicum course in maritime law.

ADMR 6540 Personal Injury & Death (2 Credit Hours)

An advanced course in admiralty law concentrating on rights and liabilities arising out of the personal injury and death of seamen, longshoremen, harbor-workers, and third parties under both federal and state law. J.D. students must have taken Admiralty I and II.

ADMR 6730 Regulation of Shipping (2 Credit Hours)

This survey course addresses the regulation of domestic shipping and foreign shipping calling at United States ports. Primary emphasis is on the various governmental agencies that regulate shipping and maritime commerce with secondary emphasis on the role of international treaties and conventions. Specifically examined are the activities of agencies such as the Coast Guard, the Army Corps of Engineers, The Federal Maritime Commission, the Maritime Administration, the National Transportation Safety Board and various state agencies. Areas addressed include vessel inspections, pollution regulation, navigation rules, marine casualty investigations, vessel and waterfront facility security, merchant mariner licensing and license revocation, pilotage and ocean shipping regulation.

ADMR 6800 Towage & Offshore Services (2 Credit Hours)

Tugboats, barges, offshore support vessels, and offshore petroleum and renewable energy installations like offshore wind farms provide crucial services in today's global economy. This course examines the history, development, and current state of laws - some familiar, some quite specialized - that apply in the context of towage and offshore services. Both casualties and contracts are studied. The course focus is on U.S. law, but the laws of other countries like the U.K. are compared and contrasted when relevant, and internationally recognized contract forms are analyzed. J.D. students must take Admiralty I and II as prerequisites.

ADMR 6880 Vessel Doc & Finance (2 Credit Hours)

Students in this course work with materials concerning the documentation of vessels and financing from initial decision to construct to permanent financing. A knowledge of maritime law, commercial law and security rights is recommended. The course is conceived of as a practical course, with emphasis on the financial decisions of vessel operators and financiers. Attention is also given to maritime insurance issues affecting financiers. J.D. student must have taken Admiralty I and II.