

## Air Law (B001445)

**Course size** *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

**Credits 3.0** **Study time 90 h**

**Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2023-2024**

A (semester 2) English Gent lecture

**Lecturers in academic year 2023-2024**

Wouters, Mia RE22 lecturer-in-charge

**Offered in the following programmes in 2023-2024**

[Master of Science in Maritime Science](#) **crdts** **offering**  
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**Teaching languages**

English

**Keywords**

International and European air law, aviation, organisations involved in air activities, liability

**Position of the course**

The objective of this course is to provide the students with a general overview of the principles and rules of air law.

**Contents**

In this course following topics will be dealt with:

- Delimitation of air law, status of air.
- Air transport law: development and organization of civil aviation; overview of International Conventions and European legislation on air transport law; study of the 1999 Montreal Convention on the liability of the air carriers for the international carriage of passengers and cargo ; the European regulations on air passenger rights.

**Initial competences**

- To have a basic knowledge of international and European law.
- To be able to analyse legal texts and sources.
- To be able to distinguish the essentials from the side issues.
- To have the attitude to be willing to develop a critical and scientific attitude

**Final competences**

- 1 To have an insight in international and European Air Law.
- 2 To know the historical background of international and European Air Law
- 3 To be able to analyse and evaluate legal texts and sources in the field of international and European Air Law.
- 4 To have the attitude to do self-study in air law.
- 5 To develop a critical and scientific attitude.

**Conditions for credit contract**

This course unit cannot be taken via a credit contract

**Conditions for exam contract**

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

**Teaching methods**

Lecture

**Extra information on the teaching methods**

- Students are frequently asked to prepare an assigned task that will be dealt with during next class. This topic is then dealt with in the form of a group discussion.

- Students are invited to participate in excursions, such as EUROCONTROL or other relevant organisations.
- Via UFORA students are invited to participate in conferences and lectures on topics of air law, organised by prof. Mia Wouter in Brussels. Students of this course do not have to pay registration fees.

### **Learning materials and price**

Syllabus: texts and reader are available for students via UFORA or are distributed in class free of charge.

### **References**

- DIEDERIKS-VERSCHOOR, I.H.Ph, An Introduction to Air Law, The Hague, Kluwer, 1997, (6th revised ed.), 276.
- NAVEAU, J., Précis de droit aérien, Bruxelles, Bruylant, 1988, 351.
- SHAWCROSS & BEAUMONT, Air Law, London, Butterworths, 2000, (loose-leave)
- Webpages air organisations

### **Course content-related study coaching**

- 1 Power points and treaties, clarifying documents or illustrations will be provided via UFORA.
- 2 Answering questions from students, including guidance at distance, will happen through e-mail

### **Assessment moments**

end-of-term assessment

### **Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period**

Written assessment

### **Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period**

Written assessment

### **Examination methods in case of permanent assessment**

### **Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment**

not applicable

### **Extra information on the examination methods**

Written open book examination with open questions  
 The questions are case related, to be solved by each student individually  
 The student can use his course material to solve the cases.

### **Calculation of the examination mark**

100% written exam