

## Ship and Marine Structures (E055070)

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

**Credits 6.0**

**Study time 180 h**

### Course offerings in academic year 2025-2026

A (semester 2)	English	Gent
B (semester 2)	Dutch	Gent

### Lecturers in academic year 2025-2026

Rigo, Philippe	TW15	lecturer-in-charge
Lataire, Evert	TW15	co-lecturer

### Offered in the following programmes in 2025-2026

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<a href="#">Bridging Programme Master of Science in Electromechanical Engineering(main subject Maritime Engineering)</a>	6	A
<a href="#">Bridging Programme Master of Science in Engineering: Ships and Marine Technology</a>	6	A
<a href="#">Master of Science in Electromechanical Engineering(main subject Control Engineering and Automation)</a>	6	B
<a href="#">Master of Science in Electromechanical Engineering(main subject Electrical Power Engineering)</a>	6	B
<a href="#">Master of Science in Electromechanical Engineering(main subject Maritime Engineering)</a>	6	B
<a href="#">Master of Science in Electromechanical Engineering(main subject Maritime Engineering)</a>	6	A
<a href="#">Master of Science in Electromechanical Engineering(main subject Mechanical Construction)</a>	6	B
<a href="#">Master of Science in Electromechanical Engineering(main subject Mechanical Energy Engineering)</a>	6	B
<a href="#">International Master of Science in Advanced Design of Sustainable Ships and Offshore Structures</a>	6	A
<a href="#">Master of Science in Engineering: Ships and Marine Technology</a>	6	B
<a href="#">Master of Science in Engineering: Ships and Marine Technology</a>	6	A

### Teaching languages

English, Dutch

### Keywords

Ships, offshore structures, shipbuilding, freeboard assessment, tonnage measurement, midship section, scantling

### Position of the course

Increasing the basic technical know-how concerning marine structures, required for engineering staff in maritime organisations such as ship owners, harbour services, dredging companies and classification societies.

### Contents

- Scantlings according to the rules of the classification societies: structural details for thin-walled structures subject to fatigue loads, longitudinal strength; influence of superstructures on longitudinal strength, midship section design according to the rules of the classification societies
- Shipyard practice: an outline
- Ship equipment: an outline
- Freeboard assessment and tonnage measurement
- A methodology for general design
- Special features of the general and structural design of specialized vessels:

Tankers, bulk carriers, container ships, dredgers, tugs, fishing vessels,...

### **Initial competences**

Introduction to marine technology, Mechanics of materials, Mechanics of structures, Turbo machinery, Piston machinery

### **Final competences**

- 1 Master the terminology in relation to maritime constructions, structure and exploitation.
- 2 Description and naming of the relevant parts of maritime constructions.
- 3 To be able to explain the relationship between the load, the response and the strength of maritime constructions.
- 4 Gaining insights in the different failure mechanisms as a result of the load on a maritime construction.
- 5 Understand the calculation methodology for the design of basic parts and elements of maritime constructions.
- 6 To be able to explain the mathematical and scientific basis in relation to used formulae in the design of a maritime construction.
- 7 Possess basic knowledge, required for the design, construction, control or exploitation of maritime constructions.
- 8 Assessment and estimation of the strength of parts and elements of a maritime construction.
- 9 Apply direct calculation, based on material strength, and the use of class rules for the design of maritime constructions.

### **Conditions for credit contract**

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

### **Conditions for exam contract**

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

### **Teaching methods**

Lecture, Independent work

### **Extra information on the teaching methods**

Lectures and guided project about the specific topics of the courses content, with the possibility of asking questions.

If possible, the lectures are supplemented with visits to relevant research institutions and companies.

### **Study material**

Type: Syllabus

Name: syllabus of this course

Indicative price: € 30

Optional: no

Language : English

Number of Pages : 300

Oldest Usable Edition : 2024

Available on Ufora : Yes

Online Available : Yes

Available in the Library : No

Available through Student Association : No

Type: Laptop

Name: laptop

Indicative price: € 1,000

Optional: no

Available through Student Association : No

Usability and Lifetime within the Course Unit : not applicable

### **References**

- Scheepskennis (K. van Dokkum, Dokmar, Delfzijl 2001)
- Principles of Naval Architecture (SNAME, Jersey City, laatste editie)
- Mansour, A. E., Liu, D., Paulling, J. R., & Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (U.S.). (2008). Strength of ships and ocean structures. Jersey City, N.J: Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers.

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

### **Assessment moments**

end-of-term and continuous assessment

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

Oral assessment

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

Oral assessment

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

Assignment

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

examination during the second examination period is possible in modified form

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

During examination period: oral closed-book exam. During semester: graded project reports.

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

Specific conditions: Non periodical evaluation: 33%

If for one of the abovementioned items a mark of less than 5 on 20 is obtained, the student cannot pass for the entire course. The final mark is in that case the minimum of 9/20 and the abovementioned weighted result.