

Template to report changes in the syllabus and/or changes of course description, course content, learning outcomes

(Must be filled in by the subject teacher in consultation with the avdelingsleder or program director)

The change applies: Specify study program/year, subject/course and the number of credits.	JUR-3050 General Law of the Sea
The change applies from: Specify from what semester and year (spring/autumn 202x):	Høst 2024
Description of suggestion for change in syllabus: Specify author, title/headline, year and number of pages.	<i>Fill in syllabus before the suggested change:</i>
Updated reading list: - Copy-paste the current syllabus in the subject/course and use “Track changes” to show which changes are done.	
Explain why the syllabus should be changed:	

The total amount of pages in the course/subject before and after the change of syllabus.	
Specified explanation if the suggestion differ from the current syllabus norms (cf. syllabus norms specified on the last page):	
Is a gender perspective included in the suggested syllabus, and/or is it gender balance between the authors of the syllabus in the current subject/course?	
Any other remarks:	
Overall assessment from avdelingsleder/program director:	<p>Is the suggested change in the syllabus supported by the avdelingsleder/program director?</p> <p>Yes [] No []</p> <p>If the proponent is avdelingsleder/program director: Do the teachers support the change in the syllabus?</p> <p>Yes [] No []</p> <p>Do the syllabus change also necessitates a change in the subject/course description and/or the learning outcome descriptions:</p> <p>Yes [] No []</p>
<p>For suggested change in subject/course description:</p> <p>Fill in the suggested change of course description by using “track changes”:</p>	<p>Type of course</p> <p>The course is part of the Master of Laws (LL.M) in Law of the Sea programme, cf. Programme description for Master of Laws (LL.M) in Law of the Sea.</p> <p>Students at the five year integrated master’s degree programme in law (Master i rettsvitenskap) may choose this course as a partial fulfilment of the requirements for the elective part of the</p>

programme's fifth year, cf. Studieplan for graden Master i rettsvitenskap ved UiT med tilhørende fagbeskrivelse for 5. avdeling.

Followed by necessary application and admission process, exchange students and other students on master level may also choose this course.

Admission requirements

Other applicants must hold a bachelor's degree of at least 180 ECTS credits, comprising or in combination with at least 80 ECTS credits in either law or social/political science.

Admitted students should have basic knowledge of international law.

Students at the Integrated master's degree programme in law may choose this course as a partial fulfilment of the requirements for the elective part of the programme's fifth year, cf. Programme Specification for the Master's Degree in Jurisprudence at the University of Tromsø (Studieplan for graden Master i rettsvitenskap ved Universitetet i Tromsø). Students in the programme's fourth year must have completed and passed compulsory practice on the master's in jurisprudence to be able to complete the course in the autumn semester.

Course contents

The course covers the following topics:

- A general overview of the different maritime zones (internal waters, territorial sea, archipelagic waters, contiguous zone, exclusive economic zone (EEZ), continental shelf, high seas and the Area);
- The principles and procedures for the delimitation of overlapping maritime zones and the establishment of the outer limits of the continental shelf;
- The substantive regimes for the uses of these maritime zones, in particular the exploitation of marine resources, navigation, marine scientific research and military uses and the appurtenant rights and obligations of coastal states and other states and the role of competent international organizations therein;

- Attention will also be paid to the role of international dispute settlement in the law of the sea, in particular the mechanism laid down in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (LOS Convention).
- The course also provides an introduction to the topics that will be further discussed in the continuation course JUR-3054. This will facilitate participation in JUR-3054.

Objective of the course

Knowledge: Having passed the exam, the student shall have acquired:

- Advanced knowledge on the various maritime zones and their legal status;
- Advanced knowledge on the rights and jurisdiction of coastal states and restrictions thereon within their maritime zones;
- Knowledge on principles for delimitation of maritime zones and delineation of the outer limits of the continental shelf;
- Advanced knowledge on the rights and jurisdiction of states and restrictions thereon in areas beyond national jurisdiction (high seas and the Area);
- Advanced knowledge on the rights and freedoms of states relating to navigation and their limitations;
- Specialised knowledge on rights and obligations on the conservation and management of living marine resources (both commercially and non-commercially exploited species);
- Specialised knowledge on rights and obligations (both procedural and substantive) on the protection and preservation of the marine environment under the law of the sea;
- Knowledge on the dispute settlement procedures and on the rules on marine scientific research;
- Specialised knowledge on the legal regime for seabed and subsoil beyond national jurisdiction;
- Knowledge on the history of law of the sea and conservation of marine biological diversity;
- Knowledge on rules on military uses of the sea.

Skills and general qualifications: Having passed the exam, the student will:

- Be able to identify and analyse questions of theoretical and practical character in General Law of the Sea
- Be able to independently and critically apply the sources of General Law of the Sea
- Be able to identify the limitations of existing law
- Be able to use English terminology with this field of law

Language of instruction

English

Teaching methods

The teaching consists of a combination of lectures and seminars, comprising a total of 30 hours. The students are expected to be prepared and active during both the lectures and the seminars, including by engaging in discussions on the prescribed material. They may also be asked to prepare papers and give presentations during the seminars. Students are expected to study independently in periods when there are no lectures or seminars.

Coursework requirements

To take an examination, the student must have passed the following coursework requirements:

Take-home assignment: Approved – not approved

More info about the coursework requirements

The students admitted to the [course ~~Master of Laws \(LL.M\) in Law of the Sea programme~~](#) are required to hand in a written assignment and have it accepted as adequate before they can take the exam. The written assignment shall not exceed 105 pages.

Examination

School exam: 6 hours

Grade scale: A–E, fail F

Re-sit examination

	<p>Students who fail their examination are entitled to re-sit the exam cf. Regulations for examinations at the University of Tromsø Sec. 26.</p>
<p>Explain why the course description should be changed:</p>	<p>Emnet JUR-3050 <i>General Law of the Sea</i> er et obligatorisk emne for programstudenter ved LL.M. Samtidig kan emnet JUR-3050 også gjennomføres av enkeltemnestudenter, utvekslingsstudenter samt som et spesialfag for studenter som har studierett ved Master i Rettsvitenskap.</p> <p>Det arrangeres skrivekurs med påfølgende innlevering av en 15 siders oppgave i emnet JUR-3050. Skrivekurset med innlevering av oppgave regnes som et obligatorisk arbeidskrav for studenter som er tatt opp til LL.M.</p> <p>Det er nå ulike krav for gjennomførelse av arbeidskrav avhengig av studentens studierett. For studenter som er tatt opp som programstudent til LL.M er det obligatorisk å bestå arbeidskrav i JUR-3050 <i>General Law of the Sea</i>. For enkeltemne- og utvekslingsstudentene er det ikke et obligatorisk krav om å bestå arbeidskrav, men disse studentene kan levere inn oppgaven som en form for øvingsoppgave.</p> <p>Bakgrunnen for dette skillet har tidligere vært begrunnet med et større behov for programstudentene ved LL.M til å få tilbakemelding på skrivearbeid på et tidlig stadium i studieprogrammet. Dette kom av at programstudentene gjerne har ulike fagbakgrunner i sin bachelorutdanning, dermed ble det ansett som et behov for en tettere oppfølging av disse studentene.</p> <p>Skillet er i dag ikke like klart, da både enkeltemnestudenter og utvekslingsstudenter kan være kvalifisert for emnet uten en ren juridisk fagbakgrunn. Arbeidskravet vil derfor være en viktig øvelse for alle studentene som gjennomfører emnet.</p> <p>Da studentene får samme uttelling i form av studiepoeng og kvalifikasjonsoppgjør, så skal innholdet i opplæringen ikke være ulik for studentene. Hensynet til likt læringsutbytte og kvalifikasjoner taler for at skrivekurset gjøres obligatorisk for alle studenter som gjennomfører emnet.</p>

- **Syllabus norms – valid from 2020/2021**

(Norms adopted by Studieutvalget in case SU 62/19 on the 22.11.2019, and in case SU 8/20 on the 31. 01.2020)

Study program /level	Number of pages per credit
Master of Laws, 1. - 3. department	30-40
Master of Laws, 4. department	40-45
Master of Laws, 5. department	45-55
Master of Laws in the Law of the Sea	45-55
Nordic Master's Degree Programme in Environmental Law	45-55

- **Qualitative guidelines:**

Sources of law such as the wording of an act, preparatory works, legal decisions, etc. shall not normally be included in the syllabus.

We use and do not distinguish between introduction literature-, primary literature, recommended literature, supplementary literature, etc.

- **Deadlines:**

- 1) **Suggested changes in syllabus (not necessitateing changes of course description/learning outcomes)**

Subjects/courses to be offered next spring semester (2024):

A case regarding changes in the syllabus must be sent to the administration **no later than October 1st 2023.**

- 2) **Suggested changes in course description/learning outcomes or suggestion for creating new courses**

Changes in the subject/course description and/or the learning outcome descriptions must be *approved* by Studieutvalget no later than the first spring semester meeting for the upcoming autumn semester, and no later than the last spring meeting for the upcoming spring semester. This follows from the common deadlines at UiTs system "Emne på Nett" (EpN) of March 1 and September 1.

Subjects/courses to be offered next autumn semester 2024):

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- **Submission of template**

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