

## DEFINITIVE COURSE RECORD

Course Title	BSc (Hons) Maritime Management (Progression Route)
Awarding Bodies	University of Suffolk
Level of Award <sup>1</sup>	FHEQ Level 6
Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Bodies Recognition	
Credit Structure <sup>2</sup>	120 credits Level 6: 120 Credits
Mode of Attendance	Full-time
Standard Length of Course <sup>3</sup>	1 year full-time
Intended Award	BSc (Hons) Maritime Management
Named Exit Awards	
Entry Requirements <sup>4</sup>	<p>Foundation Degree or Advanced Diploma or HND in Nautical Science/ Marine Engineering, or a Master or Class 1 (Deck) Certificate of Competency, or equivalent.</p> <p>Electro-Technical Officer (ETO) with Level 5 or HND qualifications.</p> <p>Where an applicant's first language is not English, they will be required to demonstrate evidence of achievement of 6 overall in the International English Language Testing Scheme (IELTS) with all element scores at 5.5 or higher.</p>
Delivering Institution(s)	East Coast College
UCAS Code	J690

This definitive record sets out the essential features and characteristics of the BSc (Hons) Maritime Management (Progression Route) course. The information provided is accurate for students entering level 6 in the 2025-26 academic year<sup>5</sup>.

### Course Summary

The BSc (Hons) Maritime Management (Progression Route) is a programme that will enable you to develop the essential knowledge and skills and prepare you for the evolving needs of the maritime industry. Following the roadmap of the Maritime 2050 Report developed by the Department for Transport (DfT), this programme focuses on the principles and practices of

<sup>1</sup> For an explanation of the levels of higher education study, see the [QAA Frameworks for Higher Education Qualifications of UK Degree-Awarding Bodies \(2024\)](#)

<sup>2</sup> All academic credit awarded as a result of study at the University adheres to the [Higher education credit framework for England](#).

<sup>3</sup> Where the course is delivered both full-time and part-time, the standard length of course is provided for the full-time mode of attendance only. The length of the part-time course is variable and dependent upon the intensity of study. Further information about mode of study and maximum registration periods can be found in the [Framework and Regulations for Undergraduate Awards](#).

<sup>4</sup> Details of standard entry requirements can be found in the [Admissions Policy](#) and further details about Disclosure and Barring Checks (DBS) can be found on the [University's DBS webpage](#).

<sup>5</sup> The University reserves the right to make changes to course content, structure, teaching and assessment as outlined in the [Admissions Policy](#).

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sustainable maritime operations, emphasizing environmental stewardship, safety, and efficient resource management within the maritime industry.

Emphasizing the importance of maritime trade and connectivity in a globalized world, the programme explores the sustainable practices in the maritime industry to create future leaders. The course develops the skills required to select and make a transition into shore-based careers in various sectors of the maritime industry, including shipping companies, port authorities, maritime agencies, logistics firms, and government organizations responsible for maritime regulation and safety.

This programme is for those students who have completed the Advanced Diploma/Higher National Diploma in Nautical Science / Marine Engineering and have an interest in roles ashore in the maritime sector. At the commencement of this program, the students must complete a compulsory 3-week workshop as a part of the shipping project module. This workshop will support the development of academic and research skills required to complete the core modules.

The programme will comprise four mandatory modules weighted at twenty credits each, focusing on, Shipping Business, Management Skills, Maritime Strategy and Project Management. Finally, there will be a forty-credit Shipping Capstone Project module, which will be based on a maritime topic of your choice, linked to your pathway and career aspirations. The Project Module will start with three workshop classes and will be followed up with supervisor allocation for each student to support you in completing the module.

The course is designed with the interdisciplinary nature of the maritime sector in mind. It is highly interdisciplinary, often drawing from across social sciences, humanities and sciences related to the maritime sector. The program is designed with an emphasis on Maritime-specific subject areas in a generalist manner. A key strength of the course comes from this adaptability, enabling the inclusive design of enriching, creative and purposeful courses suitable for a wide variety of contexts which can be collaborated into a shipping capstone project at the end of the course.

The course is designed to integrate knowledge about shipping business and management with skills to operate effectively as career-ready, impactful, and responsible citizens in any shipping environment.

The course encompasses employability and the development of a professional and responsible mindset, and behaviours aimed at developing an awareness of others, their needs, and their potential, embedding the human aspect in all business and management decisions in the maritime sector.

Positive impact on the widest variety of stakeholders is built into this course by developing an all-encompassing approach to responsible management practice, which includes championing and proactively addressing the climate change agenda, pursuing social, environmental, and business sustainability, fostering responsible innovation and promoting inclusivity.

Overall, the course prepares the students for the continuing evolution of working life and associated roles, structures, and ways of working in a shipping environment.

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### Course Aims

- Develop the essential knowledge and skills and prepare the learners for the evolving needs of the maritime industry.
- Develop a critical understanding of maritime organisations, cultures and structures, their management and wider economic, environmental, and social contexts.
- Develop the skills required to select and make a transition into shore-based careers in various sectors of the maritime industry.
- Develop skills and attributes which enhance employability to become impactful global and inclusive citizens as well as reflective independent and collegial lifelong maritime learners.

### Course Learning Outcomes

The following statements define what students graduating from the BSc (Hons) Maritime Management (Top Up) course will have been judged to have demonstrated to achieve the award. These statements, known as learning outcomes, have been formally approved as aligned with the generic qualification descriptor for 6 awards as set out by the UK Quality Assurance Agency (QAA)<sup>6</sup>.

By the end of Level 6 you will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a systematic understanding of key aspects of Maritime Business Management, including the acquisition of coherent and detailed knowledge, at least some of which is at, or informed by, the forefront of defined aspects of a discipline.
2. Appreciate the uncertainty, ambiguity, and limits of knowledge in the maritime sector.
3. Support the development of maritime organisational strategies using established business management techniques.
4. Reflect on your performance, identifying and acting on learning and development needs.
5. Use evidence-based tools and ethical approaches to undertake problem-solving and critical analysis, synthesis, and evaluation to support decision-making.
6. Manage budgets and control expenditures in maritime projects.
7. Retrieve and generate information, and evaluate sources, in carrying out independent research for effective decision making.
8. Create a personal development plan and use widely recognised tools and techniques to ensure the management of time and pressure effectively, and prioritisation and strategic alignment of activities.
9. Use interpersonal skills of effective listening, negotiating, persuasion and presentation.
10. Plan, organise and manage maritime resources to achieve organisational goals.

### Course Design

The design of this course has been guided by the following QAA Benchmarks:

- [QAA Subject Benchmark Statement Business and Management March 2023](#)

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<sup>6</sup> As set out in the [QAA Frameworks for Higher Education Qualifications of UK Degree-Awarding Bodies \(2024\)](#)

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### Course Structure

The BSc (Hons) Maritime Management (Progression Route) comprises modules at level 6.

	Module	Credits	Module Type <sup>7</sup>
Level 6			
	Shipping Business	20	M
	Management Skills Ashore	20	M
	Maritime Strategy	20	M
	Project Management in Shipping	20	M
	Shipping Capstone Project	40	M

Module Specifications for each of these modules are included within the course handbook, available to students online at the beginning of each academic year.

### Awards

On successful completion of the course, students will be awarded a BSc (Hons) in Maritime Management.

### Course Delivery

The course is delivered at East Coast College. Students studying full-time on BSc (Hons) in Maritime Management (Progression Route) are likely to have approximately 198 contact hours for level 6. The contact hours will be a mix of lectures, seminars, and practical activities. Students will normally be expected to undertake 23 hours of independent study in an average week but should be prepared for this to vary based on assignment deadlines and class exercises.

### Course Assessment

A variety of assessments will be used in the course to enable students to experience and adapt to different assessment styles. The assessment methods used will be appropriate to assess each module's intended learning outcomes. Assessment of the course overall will be coursework based, including reports, presentations, reflective learning journals and research projects.

### Course Team

The academic staff delivering this course are drawn from a team that includes teaching specialists and current practitioners. All staff are qualified in their subjects with their specialist knowledge to contribute.

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<sup>7</sup> Modules are designated as either mandatory (M), requisite (R) or optional (O). For definitions, see the [Framework and Regulations for Undergraduate Awards](#)

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### Course Costs

Students undertaking BSc (Hons) in Maritime Management (Top-Up) will be charged tuition fees as detailed below.

<b>Student Group</b>	<b>Tuition Fees</b>
Full-time UK	£9,250
Full-time EU/International	£15,090

Payment of tuition fees is due at the time of enrolment and is managed in accordance with the Tuition Fee Policy.

Students are likely to incur other costs for optional field trips amounting to approximately £300 per year.

### Academic Framework and Regulations

This course is delivered according to the Framework and Regulations for Undergraduate Awards and other academic policies and procedures of the University and published on the [website](#).