

# Master of Maritime Operations 2024



Dear Student,

Welcome to this joint master program between Western Norway University of Applied Sciences (HVL) and Hochschule Emden/Leer! Two years of intensive learning and development lie ahead of you, and this letter contains important information about the lectures in Haugesund the first semester. Please read the information carefully. If you still have questions, please feel free to contact anyone of us. Contact details can be found at the end of the letter.

## Organisation of the master program

The master program is a joint master program between HVL and Hochschule Emden/Leer. You study in Haugesund, Norway for the first semester and then in Leer, Germany for the second semester. The second year of study you will choose a profile, and your choice of profile will then decide where you will be studying your second year.

You will study three different courses the first semester:

- [MMO5001](#) Philosophy of Science, Research Design and Methods
- [MMO5002](#) Safety and Human Factors
- [MMO5003](#) Modern Ship Design: Safety, Limitations and Hazards

## Lecture weeks the first semester

The first organised lecture week starts at 26<sup>th</sup> of August and will thus be the official start of the master program. Lecture weeks the first semester are as follows:

- Week 35 (26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> of August)
- Week 40 (30<sup>th</sup> of September - 4<sup>th</sup> of October)
- Week 44 (28<sup>th</sup> of October - 1<sup>st</sup> of November)

Please note that it is mandatory to attend physically at least 1 of 3 lecture weeks this autumn.

## Attending the lectures at campus

The lectures will take place at the Haugesund Campus of Western Norway University of Applied Sciences, Bjørnsonsgate 45, 5528 Haugesund. You will find a map of the location here:

<https://use.mazemap.com/#v=1&zlevel=1&center=5.277175,59.408611&zoom=17.3&sharepoitype=poi&sharepoi=1000882370&campusid=749>

You will find the schedule and room for the lectures in the timetable here:

<https://cloud.timeedit.net/hvl/web/pen/ri102v5y6668Z6QY27Q97YgXZQ07684QY08566.html>.

Be aware that there may be changes and due to that it is important that you check the timetable frequently.

## Bridging course

We offer an eligible bridging course for students who do not have the necessary academic background of ship stability or students who simply would like to brush up on their ship stability competence. The course is voluntary and takes place before the first session Thursday 22<sup>th</sup> of August from 12.15 hours to 16.00 hours and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> of August from 08.15 hours to 13.00 hours.

## Workload and Expectations

Please note that the study program is organised as a full-time study, which means we expect you to put in 40 hrs per week, and a large amount of work is organised as self-study between lecture weeks. The rate of successfully passing your exams has proven to depend upon showing up for the lecture weeks.

The lecturers fully expect that you are well prepared for each lecture week. What you need to prepare will be announced through the communication platform Canvas. Login information to Canvas will be provided in another e-mail from HVL.

## Germany (second semester)

You will receive more information about staying in Leer, Germany during the first lecture week. You can direct any questions concerning this to Mrs. Wenke Meyer, the program coordinator at Hochschule Emden/Leer at [wenke.meyer@hs-emden-leer.de](mailto:wenke.meyer@hs-emden-leer.de)

## Practical information about study start

HVL has created a website for international students where you will find practical information related to the start-up of your studies in the first semester – the website can be found here:

<https://www.hvl.no/en/hvl-students/start-of-studies-for-international-full-degree-students/>.

**For international students coming from outside the EU/EEA area, we kindly ask you to pay attention to the information on health insurance requirements on the above-mentioned website. If you do not have a valid health insurance for your entire stay in Norway and Germany, we will not be able to enrol you at our universities and you will lose your right to study.**

## Travel to Haugesund, accommodation and student discounts

If you have not been to campus Haugesund before, you may find directions here:

<https://www.hvl.no/en/campus-life/campus-life-in-haugesund/getting-to-haugesund/>

## Joint dinner on August the 26<sup>th</sup>

At 18:00 on August the 26<sup>th</sup> we have a joint dinner in a restaurant in Haugesund, and it is a good opportunity to get to know your fellow classmates. Participation is optional and is free of charge, but registration for the dinner is mandatory. If you want to attend the dinner, you must register via this link : <https://www.survey-xact.no/LinkCollector?key=3SGVDGNTS13P>  
Registration deadline: August the 19<sup>th</sup>

## Questions and more information

If you have any questions, you can contact our student advisor Gro-Mette Rønning Eikemo by e-mail: [gro.eikemo@hvl.no](mailto:gro.eikemo@hvl.no) or our program coordinator Hilde Sandhåland at [hilde.sandhaland@hvl.no](mailto:hilde.sandhaland@hvl.no).

We look forward to meeting you!



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