

# BASELINE STUDY, AND THE PREPARATION TOWARDS THE XXI<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY UNDERGRADUATE DECK AND ENGINE CURRICULA OF ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY, MARITIME FACULTY

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#### ABSTRACT

In this paper, it is presented that STCW 95, Chapters II and III, Regulations II/1, II/2, III/1, III/2 define the mandatory minimum training and education requirements for certification of watchkeeping officers, masters, chief mates, and oceangoing engineering officers, second engineer officers, chief engineer officers.

The general state / private education system in Turkey is given in detail with some striking examples. The existing Merchant Maritime Education which has classically been a 4+1 year University Degree Education with the Istanbul Technical University, Maritime Faculty is presented in comparison with other newly founded Turkish Institutions after STCW 95, emphasizing on the problems experienced.

A model of a baseline study, and preparations towards the XXI. Century Merchant Maritime Undergraduate Education curricula's of Turkey towards finding solutions for the existing problems of the education system is clearly defined.

## A. INTRODUCTION – STCW '95 REQUIREMENTS

### 1. STCW 95 – Chapter II – Master and Deck Department Regulation II/1

Mandatory minimum requirement for certification of officers in charge of a navigational watch on ships of 500 gross tonnage or more

Paragraph 2 in regulation II/1 of the STCW 95 (Ref. 1) convention states

Every candidate for certification shall:

- .1 be not less than 18 years of age
- .2 have approved seagoing service of not less than one year as part of an approved training programme which includes on-board training which meets the requirements of section A-II/1 of the STCW Code and is documented in an approved training record book, or otherwise have approved seagoing service of not less than three years;

- .3 have performed, during the required seagoing service, bridge watchkeeping duties under the supervision of the master or a
- .4 qualified officer for a period of not less than six months
- .5 meet the applicable requirements of the regulations in chapter IV, as appropriate, for performing designated radio duties in accordance with the Radio Regulations; and
- .6 have completed approved education (IMO Model Course 7.03 – Officer in Charge of a Navigational Watch – Ref. 5) and training and meet the standard of competence specified in Section A-II/1 of the STCW Code which can be simplified as

Every candidate for certification shall

- (a) be not less than 18 years of age
- (b) satisfy the Administration as to Medical fitness, particularly regarding eyesight and hearing;
- (c) have approved seagoing service in the deck department of not less than three years which shall include at least six months of bridge watchkeeping duties under the supervision of a qualified officer; however an Administration may allow the substitution of a period of special training for not more than two years of this approved seagoing service (IMO Model Course 7.03), provided the Administration is satisfied that such training is at least equivalent in value to the period of seagoing service it replaces;
- (d) satisfy the Administration by passing an appropriate examination that he possesses adequate theoretical and practical knowledge appropriate to this duties.

In preparing IMO Model Course 7.03 it has been assumed that the entrants will have successfully completed a minimum period of full-time general education of about 10 or 11 years. For example in U.K. full-time general education starts at the age of 4, and is mandatory for 11 years which means one can satisfy the entry standards to the profession at the age of 15.

### 2. STCW 95 – Chapter II – Master and Deck Department – Regulation II/2

Mandatory minimum requirements for certification of masters and chief mates on ships of 3,000 gross tonnage or more.

Paragraph 2 in Regulation II/2 of the STCW 95 (Ref.1) convention states

Every candidate for certification shall;

- .1 meet the requirements for certification as an officer in charge of a navigational watch on ships of 500 gross tonnage or more and have approved seagoing service in that capacity
- .1.1. for certification as chief mate, not less than 12 months, and
- .1.2. for certification as master, not less than 36 months; however, this may be reduced to not period less than 24 months if not less than of such seagoing 12 months been served as service has chief mate, and
- .2 have completed approved education (IMO Model Course 7.01 – Master and Chief Mate – Ref.3) and training and meet the standard of competence specified in section I-II/2 of the STCW Code for masters and chief mates on ships of 3,000 gross tonnage or more

SUMMARY – This implies that a 14/15 year old candidate who started 10/11 years full time general education at the age of 4, can be a W/O at the age 18 attending to a two years of IMO Model Course 7.03 Education, and 1 year of on board training (6 months bridge watchkeeping) after an exam. Then, after 1 year of IMO Model Course 7.01 Education, with another one year on board a vessel as W/O, he can sit for an exam of C/M, at the age of 20. Or with another two years on board a vessel as 1 year W/O, and 1 year C/M, he can sit for an exam of a Master at the age of 21.

This is enabling a 14 years old candidate with 10/11 years of full time general basic education to be a Master in 7 years time at the age of 21 attending to some private courses without any High School Education, never mind University Education.

### 3. STCW 95 – Chapter III – Engine Department – Regulation III/1

Mandatory minimum requirements for certification of officers in charge of an engineering watch in a manned engine-room or designated duty engineers in a periodically unmanned engine room.

Paragraph 2 in Regulation III/1 of the STCW 95 (Ref.1) convention states

Every candidate for certification shall:

- .1 be not less than 18 years of age
- .2 have completed not less than six months seagoing service in the engine department in accordance with section A-III/1 of the STCW Code, and
- .3 have completed approved education (IMO Model Course 7.04 – Engineer Officer in Charge of a Watch – Ref.6) and training of at least 30 months which includes on-board training documented in an approved training record book and meet the standards of

competence specified in Section A-III/1 of the STCW Code.

which can be restated more clearly as

Every candidate for certification shall:

- (a) be not less than 18 years of age
- (b) satisfy the Administration as to medical fitness, including eyesight and hearing;
- (c) have not less than a total of three years approved education (IMO Model Course 7.04) or training, relevant to the duties of a marine engineer;
- (d) have completed an adequate period of seagoing service (6 months) which may have been included within the period of three years in sub-paragraph (c)
- (e) satisfy the Administration that he has the theoretical and practical knowledge of the operation and maintenance of marine machinery appropriate to the duties of an engineer officer;
- (f) have attended an approved practical fire-fighting course;
- (g) have knowledge of safe working practices

In preparing IMO Model Course 7.04 to meet the minimum age for certification (18 years) and to obtain the minimum of three years specialized education or training, the age of entry could be 15 years, or less.

#### 4. STCW 95 – Chapter III – Engine Department – Regulation III/2

Mandatory minimum requirements for certification of chief engineer officers and second engineer officers on ships powered by main propulsion machinery of 3000 kw propulsion power or more. Paragraph 2 in Regulation III/2 of the STCW 95 (Ref.1) convention states

Every candidate for certification shall;

- .1 meet the requirements for certification as an officer in charge of an engineering watch and;
- .1.1. certification for second as engineer officer. shall have not than 12 months' less service approved seagoing assistant engineer officer as or engineer officer, and
- .1.2. for certification chief as engineer officer. shall have not less than 36 months' approved seagoing service of which not less than 12 months shall have been served as an engineer officer in a position of responsibility while qualified to serve as second engineer officer; and
- .2 have completed approved education (IMO Model Course 7.02 Chief and Second Engineer Officer (Motor Ships)
  - Ref.4) and training and meet the standard of competence specified in Section A-III/2 of the STCW Code.

SUMMARY – This implies that a 14/15 year old candidate who started the basic fulltime general education at the age of 4, can be an E/O at the age of 18 attending to a three years of IMO Model Course 7.04 Education which includes 6 months seagoing service, after an exam. Then after 1 year of IMO Model Course 7.02 Education, with another one year on board a vessel as E/O, he can sit for an exam of second E/O, at the age of 20. Or with another 3 years on board a vessel as 1 year E/O, and 2 years second E/O, he can sit for an exam of a Chief Engineer at the age of 23. This is enabling a 14/15 years old candidate with 10/11 years of basic full-time general education to be a C/E in 8 years time at the age of 23 attending to some private courses without any High School Education, never mind University Education.

### **B. EXISTING GENERAL EDUCATION SYSTEM IN TURKEY**

Refer to Figure 1 for the existing general education system in Turkey. Pre-school education starts at the Nursery between the ages 0-2. Kindergarten education is given between the ages 2-6. Classical Primary School is for five years between the ages 6 to 11 which is run by the state, free of charge and is mandatory. Then, pupils attend to a Junior High school for 3 years between 11-14 years old. The very new system is an 8 year education (a combination of Primary + Junior High School) which is compulsory till the age of 14. Pupils attend to High School run by the state, free of charge between 14-17 years old. Sometimes either before Junior High or High School, they attend to a full year of Foreign Language (mainly English) preparatory class which enables them to attend the University at the age of 18.

In Turkey there are 74 state and privately (approximately 20) Foundation run Universities. The quality of education differs enormously from one another. Istanbul Technical University is one of the top 4-5 Universities in Turkey. Every year almost 1.5 Million High School Graduates take a General Entrance Exam for the universities. Depending they are placed in their success. on Universities of one of their 22 choices. As an average only 500,000 High School Graduates can be offered places in Universities, the rest having to take the exam next year. To attend to a top University, one must be placed in the top 10-15% of the 1.5 Million High School Graduates.



## FIGURE 1 Existing General Education System in Turkey.

IX YEAR HRS/ Literature Religion History Geography Maths Biology Physics Chemistry Health Languages Physical Ed.	<u>WEEK</u> 4 1 2 2 5 2 2 2 2 2 4 2	X. YEAR HRS/ Literature Religion History Culture Composition Psychology Geography Maths Geometry Analytic geometry	WEEK 4 1 2 1 3 2 2 5 2 2 2	XI. YEAR HRS. Literature Religion History Philosophy Literature Geography Maths Geometry	4 1 2 3 3 5 2
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Electives	5	Electives	6	Electives	6
TOTAL	33	Languages (1) Languages (2) Computers		Logic Sociology Languages	2 2 2
			30		28
	×	Arts Music Physical Ed	1 1 1	Law Arts Music Physical Ed	2 1 1
		TOTAL	33	<u>TOTAL</u>	33

Figure 2. State High School Program in Turkey

THREE YEARS AT HIGH SCHOOL	
FINAL YEAR	FINA
FUNCTIONS	LIGH
LIMITS	WAV
CONTINUITY FUNCTIONS	LIGH
DIFFERENTIALS	ATO
INTEGRALS	MOV
LINEAR ALGEBRA	ELEC
SECOND YEAR	SOLA
TRIGONOMETRY	SECO
RANDOM NUMBERS	FOR
LOGARITHMS	мот
PERMUTATION, COMBINATION,	NEW
PROBABILITY	GRA
SERIES	IMPU
	ENE
FIRST YEAR	MAG
LOGIC	ELEC
SETS	ELEC
FUNCTIONS	ELEC
NUMBERS	
POLYNOMIALS	FIRS
EQUATIONS, INEQUALITIES, FUNCTIONS	PRO
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TABLE 1 (a) MATHS CURRICULUM OF

For Example, Istanbul Technical University has 11 Faculties. To enter to Faculties Like Industrial, Electrical (computer) Engineering; one must be in the top 1-2% where as the Faculty of Mines and Ores accept students from the top 15%, ITUMF students come from the top 8-10%.

#### Students without proficiency in Languages, attend to a one year Language Preparatory class before they start to their normally 4 year University Undergraduate program. Only disciplines like Medicine, Veterinary science etc.. are for six years. Students graduate from the University at the age of 22-24.

Postgraduate programs of Masters and Doctors degrees are normally for 2 and 3

## TABLE 1 (b)-PHYSICS CURRICULUM OF THREE YEARS AT HIGH SCHOOL

### FINAL YEAR

LIGHT WAVE MOTION LIGHT THEORY ATOM THEORY MOVEMENT OF PARTICLES IN ELECTRICAL FIELD SOLAR ENERGY

#### SECOND YEAR

FORCE MOTION NEWTONS LAW GRAVITATIONAL MOTION IMPULSE AND MOMENTUM ENERGY MAGNETISM ELECTROSTATICS ELECTRICAL CURRENT ELECTROMAGNETIC INDUCTION

### FIRST YEAR

PROPERTIES OF A PURE SUBSTANCE PURE SUBSTANCE AND ELECTRICITY years, respectively. Students complete a combined MSc + PhD Postgraduate Study at the age of 27-30.

Refer to **Figure 2** for the three year State High School program where the quality of education is very high by all International standards. A typical example of the curriculum of Mathematics, and Physics at three years of a State High School before entering to the University will support this argument, presented in **Table 1 (a)**, **1(b)**.

#### C. EXISTING MERCHANT MARITIME EDUCATION SYSTEM IN TURKEY –

The Merchant Maritime Education in Turkey has classically been a 4+1 year University Degree Education with the Istanbul Technical University Maritime Faculty, for both Deck and Engine Departments.

Refer to Figures 3, and 4 for the Program structure of Deck, and Engine Department Education at ITUMF with 8 semester programs presented in Tables 2, and 3. (Ref.2)

In 1995 when STCW 95 was drafted giving major importance to "Training and

Assessment – Regulation I/6", "Quality "Use Regulation I/8", Standards of \_ Regulation I/12", all Simulators undergraduate programs of ITUMF have been reconsidered to be carefully transformed into the format of Figures 2, and 3 which are "7.01+7.03+PLUS" mainly for Deck Department, and "7.02+7.04+PLUS" for Engine Departments. An Integrated Quality System of ISO 9002 + ISO 14001 acquired separately from Class NKK of Japan, and RINA / IQNET of ITALY achieved for the first time in any Higher Education Institute in Europe accredits the Undergraduate programs system of ITUMF to 35 IONET member countries.

In 1995 when STCW 95 started to be widely pronounced, the Administration in is the Prime Turkey which Ministry, Undersecretariat for Maritime Affairs gave major importance for the same number of hours of IMO Model Courses to be included in Undergraduate Programs. With other obligatory courses of the Turkish Higher Education Law of No. 2547, the programs presented 35-40 hours of education per week causing а number of inconveniences.



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Administration concentrated on the number of hours (quantity) being similar to IMO Model Courses for undergraduate programs, but overlooked at the level and the quality of the contents covered in these number of hours. Due to bureaucratic reasons, institutes had to follow the administration for being eligible at the Certificate of Competency Exams of Seafarers.

There are mainly four categories of Merchant Maritime (human resources) Education in Turkey, at present

1. ITUMF - 150 students / year

Istanbul University, Marine Transportation, Administration Dept. - 50 students / year

İzmir Dokuz Eylül University, Maritime College - 50 students / year

KTU, Sürmene Marine Sciences Faculty - 50 students / year

These are 4+1 year state education Institutes after High School leading to Oceangoing Master/ Chief Engineering certificates in the long run with capable academical staff body, International campus facilities, laboratories, and Administration approved undergraduate program (with Graduate Schools as well) emphasis given to English Language. All State Universities are attended with symbolic tution fee. (Ref 7-14)

2. ITU, Maritime Junior College - 150 students / year

Kocaeli - Karamürsel Maritime Junior College - 600 students / year

Uludağ - Yalova Maritime Junior College - 50 students / year

These are two year courses after high school only leading to W/O, and E/O certificates with 7.03, and 7.04 IMO Model Courses covered relatively for Deck and Engine Departments. Programs are but all have Administration approved, comparatively limited staff. laboratories. Students with rather lower scores of University Entrance Examination are admitted. All state Universities are attended with symbolic tuition fees.

## TABLE 2. MARINE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT CURRICULUM

First Semester			Second Semester		
GMZ 100	Mathematics I	(4-2)	GMZ 200	Mathematics II	(4-2)
GMZ 101	Physics	(3-1)	GMZ 201	Physics II	(3-1)
GMZ 102	Marine Chemistry	(2-1)	GMZ 214	Engineering Drawing II	(2-2)
GMZ 105	Computer Programming	(2-1)	GMZ 215	Workshop II	(2-4)
GMZ 114	Engineering Drawing I	(2-2)	GMZ 221	Introduction to Marine Engineering II	(3-0)
GMZ 115	Workshop I	(1-3)	GMZ 222	Statics	(2-0)
GMZ 121	Introduction to Marine Engineering I	(3-0)	GMZ 260	English for Engine Officers II	(3-0)
GMZ 160	English for Engine Officers I	(3-0)	GMZ 265	Physical Education II	(1-1)
GMZ 165	Physical Educating I	(1-1)			
ESP	Introduction to Computer Programming	(2-0)	ESP	General Aspect of Marine Engineering	(2-0)
Third Semester			Fourth Semester		
GMZ 300	Mathematics III	(4-0)	GMZ 400	Mathematics IV	(4-0)
GMZ 310	Dynamics	(3-1)	GMZ 405	Numerical Analysis	(2-0)
GMZ 315	Workshop III	(2-4)	GMZ 409	Material Science	(3-0)
GMZ 317	Introduction to Marine Electrotechnology	(4-0)	GMZ 411	Strength of Materials	(3-1)
GMZ 318	Operation and Maintenance of Main and	(4-4)	GMZ 415	Workshop IV	(2-4)
	Auxiliary Machinery I	. ,			
GMZ 319	Thermodynamics I	(3-0)	GMZ 417	Marine Electrotechnology I	(3-1)
GMZ 360	English for Engine Officers III	(2-0)	GMZ 418	Operation and Maintenance of Main and	(2-2)
	0			Auxiliary Machinery II	
GMZ 361	History of the Turkish Revolution I	(2-0)	GMZ 419	Thermodynamics II	(3-0)
			GMZ 460	English for Engine Officers IV	(2-0)
			GMZ 461	History of the Turkish Revolution II	(2-0)
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ESP	Marine Hydraulics	(2-0)	ESP	Energy and Energy Sources	(2-0)
ESP	Introduction to Naval Architecture	(2-0)	ESP	Energy Conversion	(2-0)
Fifth Semester			Sixth Semester		
GMZ 517	Marine Electrotechnology II			4 Months OnBoard Training	
GMZ 518	Fluid Mechanics			28 Credits	
GMZ 520	Heat Transfer			x	
GMZ 525	Marine Diesel Engines I				
GMZ 526	Marine Auxiliary Machinery I				
GMZ 527	Naval Architecture				
GMZ 532	Machine Design				
GMZ 566	Turkish I				
ESP	Marine Heat Engines				
Seventh			Eighth Semester		
Semester					
GMZ 722	Steam Boilers	(3-0)	GMZ 823	Steam Turbines II	(3-0)
GMZ 723	Steam Turbines I	(2-1)	GMZ 824	Gas Turbines	(2-0)
GMZ 725	Marine Diesel Engines II	(4-2)	GMZ 825	Marine Diesel Engines III	(3-1)
GMZ 726	Marine Auxiliary Machinery II	(3-1)	GMZ 828	Survey Procedures	(2-0)
GMZ 732	Electronics	(3-0)	GMZ 829	Refrigeration	(3-0)
GMZ 733	Automatic Control	(3-0)	GMZ 834	Heating, Ventilation and Conditioning	(3-0)
GMZ 740	Management Economy	(2-0)	GMZ 859	Maritime Law	(2-0)
GMZ 753	Labor Law	(2-0)	GMZ 844	Simulator	(2-3)
GMZ 766	Turkish II	(2-0)	GMZ 880	Project	(2-4)
ESP	Power Plants	(2-0)	ESP	Marine Engineering	(3-0)
			ESP	Mechanical Vibrations of Ships	(3-0)
			ESP	Personnel Management	(2-0)

' Credit hours, (Theory-Practice)

" English Language Supported Programme

TABLE 3. DECK DEPARTMENT CURRICULUM	TABL	E 3.	DECK	DEPARTM	<b>IENT C</b>	URRICULUM
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First Semester		(1.0)	Second Semester		(1.0)
GVZ 100	Mathematics I	(4-0)	GVZ 200	Mathematics II	(4-0)
GVZ 101	Physics I	(2-1)	GVZ 201	Physics II	(3-1)
GVZ 102	Marine Chemistry	(2-1)	GVZ 210	Statics	(2-0)
GVZ 105	Computer Programming	(2-1)	GVZ 233	Watchkeeping I	(4-0)
GVZ 121	Ship Power Plants I	(2-0)	GVZ 235	Seamanship II	(2-1)
GVZ 135	Seamanship I	(1-1)	GVZ 239	Navigation II	(4-2)
GVZ 139	Navigation I	(4-2)	GVZ 242	Safety at Sea II	(1-1)
GVZ 142	Safety at Sea I	(1-1)	GVZ 260	English for Deck Officers II	(3-0)
GVZ 160	English for Deck Officers I	(3-0)	GVZ 265	Physical Education II	(1-1)
GVZ 165	Physical Education I	(1-1)			
ESP''	Introduction to Computer Programming	(2-0)	ESP	Basic Marine Terminology	(2-0)
Third Semester			Fourth Semester		
GVZ 300	Mathematics III	(3-0)	GVZ 400	Mathematics IV	(3-0)
GVZ 303	Spherical Trigonometry	(2-0)	GVZ 418	Fluid Mechanics	(2-0)
GVZ 312	Dynamics	(2-0)	GVZ 431	Ship Stability I	(3-1)
GVZ 317	Electronics	(2-1)	GVZ 439	Navigation IV	(4-2)
GVZ 327	Ship Construction	(2-0)	GVZ 440	Electronic Navigation I	(2-2)
GVZ 333	Watchkeeping II	(4-0)	GVZ 442	Safety at Sea III	(2-2)
GVZ 335	Seamanship III	(2-2)	GVZ 459	Economy	(2-0)
GVZ 339	Navigation III	(4-2)	GVZ 460	English for Deck Officers IV	(2-0)
GVZ 360	English for Deck Officers III	(2-0)	GVZ 461	History of the Turkish Revolution II	(2-0)
GVZ 361	History of the Turkish Revolution I	(2-0)			
ESP	Introduction to Naval Architecture	(2-0)	ESP	Cargo Handling and Stowage	(3-0)
			ESP	Emergency Procedures	(2-0)
			ESP	Shipping	(2-0)
			ESP	Port Management	(2-0)
Fifth Semester			Sixth Semester		
GVZ 534	Ship Manoeuvring and Handling I	(1-1)		7 Months OnBoard Training	
GVZ 537	Meteorology I	(2-1)		15 February - 15 September	
GVZ 539	Navigation V	(4-2)		28 Credits	
GVZ 540	Electronic Navigation II	(2-2)			
GVZ 541	Cargo Handling and Stowage I	(4-0)			
GVZ 545	Marine Communication I	(2-2)			
GVZ 547	Basic Law	(2-2)			
GVZ 566	Turkish I	(2-0)			
ESP	Chartering and Broking	(2-0)			
Seventh Semester			Eighth Semester		
GVZ 721	Ship Power Plants II	(2-0)	GVZ 833	Watchkeeping III	(2-0)
GVZ 731	Cargo Ship Stability II	(3-1)	GVZ 834	Simulator	(2-3)
GVZ 734	Ship Maneuvering and Handling II	(2-1)	GVZ 837	Meteorology II	(1-1)
GVZ 736	Oceanography	(2-0)	GVZ 841	Cargo Handling and Stowage II	(3-0)
GVZ 739	Navigation VI	(4-2)	GVZ 845	Marine Communication II	(2-2)
GVZ 742	Safety at Sea IV	(2-1)	GVZ 848	Maritime Law II	(4-0)
GVZ 748	Maritime Law I	(4-0)	GVZ 855	Personnel Management	(2-0)
GVZ 749	Chartering	(2-0)	GVZ 880	Project	(2-4)
GVZ 766	Turkish II	(2-0)			
ESP	Ship Owner Business	(2-0)	ESP	Marine Engineering	(3-0)
ESP	Marine Insurance	(2-0)	ESP	Maritime Law	(2-0)
			ESP	Navigation	(3-0)
			ESP	Personnel Management	(2-0)
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 TÜDEV – Chamber of Shipping Maritime Education Foundation Courses - 250 students / year

This is a two year course after high school only leading to W/O, and E/O certificates with again 7.03, and 7.04 IMO Model Courses covered relatively for Deck and Engine Departments. Students do not need University State Entrance Examination to attend the courses. Tuition fee is high with Turkish Standards (3000 USD/year. Building is available with staff / laboratory support from ITUMF.

TÜDEV has pioneered the very first private Merchant Maritime Education in Turkey in 1999. It is different than other profit making privets courses. It's the authors wish to see TÜDEV can a private Foundation University in the most near future, carrying out on Education of 4 years after High School, and vastly contributing to Turkish Merchant Maritime Education at the standards of a University.

4. OTHERS - 250 students / year

Recently one or two private instructors of practical seafaring background and no qualified teaching experience with permission granted from the Administration providing 7.03 Special Courses for Radio Officers and for some other ratings with 8 years of Basic Education and 3 years on board experience to be qualified for restricted W/O certificates with distance intention the long of qualification for W/O Certificates. Education is carried out at the facilities of a Merchant Maritime High School for 2000 USD / course tuition fee. The approach is extremely dangerous, not in line with even minimum standards of STCW '95 regarding the number of years of minimum 11 years of basic education required.

As one can observe, there is a rather variety of Merchant Maritime Education in Turkey ranging from the ITUMF et al.. 5 year very bright University Graduates with good command of English / Computers, educated by top Staff Members at campus atmosphere, with excellent laboratories; training vessel etc.. ready for any international / International employment as W/O; to private education of ratings with 8 years of basic education by individuals aiming for initially restricted, later on full W/O certificates.

### D. BASE LINE STUDY, AND THE PREPARATIONS TOWARDS THE XXI<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY MERCHANT MARITIME UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION CURRICULAS OF TURKEY–

Refer to the Undergraduate Deck program of ITUMF in comparison with IMO Model Course 7.01+7.03 in **Table 4**. (Ref.2)

One does observe that ITUMF covers **3062** hours of courses (7.03+7.01+Turkish Higher Education Mandatory courses) in 4 years plus 840 hours of Maritime English in Prep. Class totalling to 3902 hours.

IMO Model Courses 7.01+7.03 education recommended by IMO (STCW '95) and Turkish Administration totals to **2597** hours.

Similarly, Refer to the Undergraduate Engine program of ITUMF in comparison with IMO Model Course 7.02 + 7.04 in **Table 5**. (Ref.2)

One again does observe that ITUMF covers **3192** hours of courses (7.02+7.04+Turkish Higher Education Mandatory Courses) in four years plus 840 hours of Maritime English in Prep. Class totalling to **4032** hours.

IMO Model Courses 7.01 + 7.03 education recommended by IMO (STCW '95) and Turkish Administration totals to **3008** hours.

When one compares some sample courses from IMO Model Course and ITUMF curriculum such as Mathematics, Physics it will be clearly observed that the IMO Model Course contents are at Junior High School level with Turkish standards, and should not be re lectured at that level in a University. Mandatory minimum Turkish Law contents of Calculus or Physics as practised anyway now, should be lectured. Thus, having already studied them before University, some hours of basic courses should be deducted from the IMO required total number of hours.

Moreover, the number of hours required by IMO for professional Maritime courses should be reconsidered to be vastly decreased at ITUMF taking into account the following boundary conditions of STCW '95 Code, Section B-I/8 (Guidance regarding quality standards).

- .1 The mission statement of the institution
- .2 Details of academic and training strategies in use;
- .3 An organization chart and information on the composition of committees and advisory bodies;
- .4 Staff and student information
- .5 A description of training facilities equipment, training vessel, simulators etc..
- .6 An outline of the policies and procedures on:
- .6.1. student admission
- .6.2. the development of new courses and review of existing courses
- .6.3. the examination system, including appeals and resits
- .6.4. staff recruitment training, development, appraisal and promotion

- .6.5. feedback from students and from industry, and
- .6.6. staff involvement in research and development

Above, independent evaluation can be carried out experimentally to all 3 categories of Merchant Maritime Education Institutes (the 4<sup>th</sup> one should be banned since approach is not in line with even minimum STCW 95 standards), and number of hours required for each institution's curricula should be redeveloped; ITUMF et al. needing the minimum number of hours covering the same courses, and may be Group 2 and 3 curricula staying in line with IMO requirements of minimum standards.

Again experimental observations for pilot number of courses should be carried out with a number of students (10 each for example) with different academical backgrounds from each category of institution attending to a certain lecture under the same conditions (staff member, laboratory etc...), and then being tested to observe their comparatively success trends. It is expected that ITUMF at al.. students will comparatively score higher points relative to other students, thus again contributing towards the development of an empirical formula of less hours spent on learning a certain topic.

This experimental approach can be extended to the students with various academic backgrounds from a number of pilot countries in the future as an IAMU - Working Group I Project, eventually achieving an international curriculum calibration scale suitable for all parties concerned; having of course the same curriculum for the students of the same quality and background.

This will yield in the High Standard Merchant Maritime Universities / Faculties of the world being involved with more concise number of hours of curriculum to grasp the same amount of knowledge in relation with Institutes in line with STCW '95 minimum requirements who might need that many hours (IMO Model Course Hours) to learn the same topic.

Again utilising less hours, more advanced topics can be introduced to quality students compared to a standard student.

Thus, the 35-40 hour / week programs of ITUMF et al. due to the bureaucracy of the Administration tending to keep in line with IMO Model Course tedious hours designed for 14-15 year old cadets of more modest academic backgrounds; can be vastly and effectively reduced to create space for "Dual Major" education during the same period of time within the Faculty, and "DUAL FACULTY Program" of Turkish Higher Education which permits one bright student to graduate from two Faculties of ITU during 5-6 years instead of one at four years. (For example, Maritime Faculty and Industrial Engineering Faculty.)

Also under this renewed conditions, with less hours during the week Turkish Higher Education permits the bright student to take all required courses at a shorter time to graduate 1 semester earlier.

This approach also permits the student to be involved in research, final year project more specializing on his field of interest, and graduating under more optimum, efficient conditions.

#### E. CONCLUSION -

The authors recommend that, the outcome / results of their approach to design a mathematical / empirical scale regarding the number of hours of undergraduate programs most efficiently required for students of different academical backgrounds which will be presented as a full paper at the First INAUGURAL CONGRESS of IAMU in Istanbul / Turkey during June / July 2000; should be brought to the attention of IMO – STW subcommittee as a positive approval of which Administrations will widely without hesitation take new liberal measures for each party avoiding very orthodox measures leading to inefficient waste of academical time for some high quality institutes concerned.

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#### G. APPENDIX - TABLES

TABLE4 - ITUMFUndergraduateDeckProgramincomparisonwithIMOModelCourses7.01 + 7.03

TABLE 5 - ITUMF Undergraduate EngineProgram in comparison with IMO ModelCourses 7.02 + 7.04

#### **H. NOMENCLATURE**

STCW	Standards of Training, Certification, and Watchkeeping
IMO	International Maritime Organization
W/O	Watchkeeping Officer
C/M	Chief Mate
E/O	Engineering Officer
C/E	Chief Engineer
ITUMF	Istanbul Technical University, Maritime Faculty
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NKK	Nippon Kaiji Kyokai
RINA	Registro Italiano Navale
IQNET	International Quality Network
KTU	Karadeniz (Black Sea) Technical University
TUDEV	Turkish Maritime Education Foundation
IAMU	International Association of Maritime Universities
STW	Standards of Training, Watchkeeping

IMLA	International Maritime Lecturers' Association
MED	Mediterranean
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
ITU	Istanbul Technical University
IMAM	International Maritime Association of Mediterranean

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2. Physics + Electronics	140	304	ı	304
3. Watchkeeping	140	117	48	165
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5. Navigation + Electronic Navigation	616	576	187	763
6. Safety at Sea	154	116	157	273
	28	63	31	94
8. Ship Stability	112	68	106	174
9. Ship Manoeuvring Handling	70	15	48	63
10. Meteorology + Oceanography	70 + 28	58	33	16
11. Cargo Handling	86	50	104	154
12. Maritime Communications	112	105	70	175
13. Maritime Law	112	,	87	87
14. Maritime English	PKEP 840 + 140			
15. On Board Training	12 MONTHS	ı		
16. Personal Management	28			
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3. Dynamics	28	EXTRAS		
4. Fluid Mechanics	28			
5. Computers	42			

6. Seamanship	126		
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9. Turkish Language	56		
10. Economy	28		
11. Basic Law	56		
12. Chartering	28		
13. Simulators	70		
14. Final Year Project	84		
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