



MBA

in Maritime
Regulations
and Compliance
Management

At

Gujarat Maritime University

Exclusively for the students of the

Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI)

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▶ About Gujarat Maritime University

Gujarat Maritime University: Spearheaded by India's Pioneer, India's Best

Gujarat Maritime Board

Gujarat Maritime Board (GMB) is a statutory body of the Government of Gujarat, established in 1982 under the Gujarat Maritime Board Act, 1981. GMB is vested with the authority to develop, manage, control, and administer the nonmajor ports in the State of Gujarat. Over the years, GMB has established itself as a maritime leader in port development, port privatisation, and wide range of cargo handling, leveraging Gujarat's strategic location as a natural gateway to the landlocked northern and central hinterland comprising of West, North and Central India. Gujarat has the longest coastline in India constituting 48 non-major ports, spanning approximately 2,340 km, and accounts for nearly 30% of the country's cargo traffic and 66% of national non-major port traffic. As of 2024-25, the nonmajor ports under GMB has a combined handling capacity of about 598 MMTPA, with actual cargo traffic of approximately 488 MMT.





Gujarat Maritime University (GMU): Pioneer in India's Maritime Academics

The Indian maritime sector has been consistently exhibiting remarkable growth and is poised to emerge as a key driver of the future global maritime economy. Gujarat Maritime University (GMU) is a visionary initiative of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendrabhai Modi, established in 2019 by the Government of Gujarat through the Gujarat Maritime Board to address critical knowledge and capacity gaps in the maritime sector. Since its inception, GMU has been committed to offering meticulously designed academic programmes that integrate the collective expertise of maritime industry professionals, distinguished academicians, and governmental institutions, enabling the University to emerge as one of India's distinctive maritime-focused universities with curricula aligned to leading global maritime institutions.

GMU is governed by an eminent consortium of senior officials of the Government of Gujarat, prominent industry leaders, and renowned scholars, under the leadership of the Chief Secretary to the Government of Gujarat. This robust governance framework ensures that the University remains agile and responsive to the evolving needs of the maritime sector while consistently upholding the highest academic, professional, and ethical standards. Gujarat Maritime University is mandated to develop as a global centre of excellence in maritime education, research, professional training, and capacity building, with a strong focus on strengthening human and institutional capacity in India and internationally, and advancing high-quality education, research and development, and professional training for the maritime sector worldwide.

The University's academic offerings are thoughtfully designed to meet the growing and diverse demands of the maritime industry. In its first phase, GMU offers a range of Master's, Doctoral (PhD), and Executive Development Programmes focusing on the commercial, regulatory, and strategic dimensions of the maritime value chain, including Maritime Law, Maritime Management, International Trade Law, Shipping, Logistics, and allied disciplines. GMU's bespoke approach to education ensures that students and professionals are equipped with the knowledge, analytical skills, and practical insights required to navigate the complexities of a rapidly changing global maritime landscape.

GMU has signed Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) and entered into active collaborations with several leading national and international maritime organizations, significantly enhancing academic exposure, industry engagement, research opportunities, and knowledge exchange for students, faculty, and other stakeholders. Its programmes are developed in collaboration with esteemed international institutions such as Erasmus UPT, STC International, and Copenhagen Business School, Denmark, among others, ensuring alignment with global best practices and international standards. In the next phase of development, Gujarat Maritime University plans to expand its academic portfolio by introducing technical and liberal arts disciplines within the maritime domain, further enriching its academic ecosystem and addressing the evolving multidisciplinary needs of the global maritime industry.

About The Institute of Company Secretaries of India

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) is a premier professional body, established under an act of Parliament (The Company Secretaries Act, 1980), to regulate and develop the profession of Company Secretaries. The ICSI functions under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India and focuses on providing top-quality education for its students along with setting best quality standards for its members.

Headquartered in New Delhi, the ICSI has a nationwide presence, with four Regional Offices in New Delhi, Chennai, Kolkata and Mumbai, 76 Chapter Offices spread across the length and breadth of the country and 4 Centre for Corporate Governance, Research and Training (CCGRT) in Mumbai, Hyderabad, Kolkata and Manesar. The ICSI has set up 6 overseas centres as well in Australia, Canada, Singapore, UAE, UK and the USA and has established itself as a pioneer in promoting corporate governance, risk management, and compliance (GRC) in the last five decades of its existence.

With the Vision "To be a global leader in promoting Good Corporate Governance", and the Mission "To develop the high calibre professionals facilitating good Corporate Governance", the ICSI has been driving growth for the Company Secretary profession worldwide. It boasts of over 79,000 members and 250,000 students, making it the largest base of Company Secretaries and an inclusive body on the global governance map.



► Message from Provost, GMU



Gujarat Maritime University is a center of excellence for maritime education in India, contributing to the growth and evolution of the industry through our academic programmes, research activities, and industry collaborations. Since starting our academic operations in 2019, we have been recognized by academia and industry for our transformative curriculum, state-of-the-art infrastructure, and experienced educators. Our programmes are designed to empower learners to navigate the domain specific complexities governing the maritime industry.

As India develops itself as a hub for shipbuilding, shipping, and other maritime services which were concentrated in foreign nations, the role of GMU becomes more crucial than ever. We provide an integrated approach to academics that not only ensures academic rigour but infuses real-world expertise that will serve our students well in their future careers. Through industry expert lectures, port excursions, partnerships, and collaborations with leading maritime institutions, we provide our students with opportunities to engage and interact with industry professionals from across the globe.

Our students have the valuable opportunity to gain exposure to international good practices and expand their knowledge and skills in the field through the Global Externship Programmes conducted in collaboration with our international partners. The Global Externship Programme provides the opportunity to learn from globally renowned stalwart faculty and experts. The program includes several components such as classroom training, gamified management learning, a moot court competition, and off-campus activities such as port and shipyard excursions, as well as a visit to sophisticated ports in an international setting.

As we gear up for the 2026 academic year, we look forward to welcoming a new batch of students to our vibrant campus. We encourage you to explore our programmes and discover the opportunities that GMU has to offer. We are confident that your experience at GMU will be enriching, fulfilling, and set you on a path towards a successful career in the maritime industry.

We look forward to welcoming you to Gujarat Maritime University.

Prof. (Dr.) S. Shanthakumar
Provost, Gujarat Maritime University

► Message from President, ICSI



"A ship in port is safe. But that's not what ships are built for."

The above words of Grace Hopper, aptly define the culture of the seas. It is these seas which led to the exploration of new lands and continents, brought in the prospect of trade and even shaped the destiny of nations. An integral part of the seas, the ships have consistently inspired curiosity, reflecting impressive engineering and the capability to traverse long distances across the seas.

Cut to the present, the Maritime Industry serves as critical foundation of global trade, enabling seamless movement of goods and strengthening international connectivity. This industry plays a pivotal role in strengthening Indian economy by facilitating majority of the country's international trade and supporting employment and infrastructural development. Nearly 95% of India's trade by volume and about 70% by value moves through maritime routes. The Government's Maritime India Vision 2030 provides a strong strategic roadmap, outlining more than 150 initiatives backed by the investments of ₹ 3.5 lakh crore, further supported by a ₹69,725 crore to strengthen the shipbuilding ecosystem.

But akin to all other Industries, the Maritime sector, too, necessitates, demands and solicits the presence of qualified professionals, well attuned and skilled to serve the needs of this industry. As an Institution committed to developing specialized professionals across diverse sectors, the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) continues to pursue strategic academic collaborations that enhance the skills and competencies of the students.

In furtherance to this objective, the Institute in the Year 2025 initiated collaboration with Gujarat Maritime University (GMU) to introduce the MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management, a programme designed to build advanced expertise in maritime laws and related corporate compliances. It is a matter of satisfaction that this collaboration has the capability of opening new avenues for CS students who aspire to build a career in maritime laws, regulatory frameworks, and compliance management.

Following the launch of the inaugural batch, we are pleased to offer the Second Batch of this programme, reaffirming our commitment for developing proficient professionals equipped to excel in the expanding maritime and shipping domain. I encourage the students to explore the legal landscape of maritime activities and consider pursuing this course for expertise in maritime laws and compliance management, making the most of this opportunity.

Given the outline of the course, we are assured that students will emerge as skilled professionals capable of supporting the corporates in sailing through the complexities of maritime compliances...

For as they say,

"We cannot control the wind, but we can direct the sail."

Regards,

CS Pawan G. Chandak,

President, The Institute of Company Secretaries of India

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Provost, Gujarat Maritime University

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About the MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management

The MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management aims to provide students with comprehensive knowledge and expertise in various aspects of maritime regulations. The MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management is structured to provide a balanced mix of theoretical knowledge and practical insights. The program is designed for individuals seeking to enhance their understanding of maritime regulations and gain a competitive edge in the maritime and shipping industries. By completing this course, students will be well-equipped to navigate the complex legal landscape of maritime activities and pursue careers in areas such as maritime law practice, shipping management, marine insurance, and international trade. All the courses have continuous evaluations and end semester evaluations. Research paper and Viva have individual weights in the overall credits of the course. The course is designed for 2 years full-time.

The curriculum covers key subjects designed to equip students with a thorough understanding of the legal framework and practices that govern maritime activities and all the papers of the CS Course. The core course of the program are:

International Law of the Sea

This subject explores the legal frameworks governing a wide range of maritime activities, including:

- ▶ Territorial waters and maritime zones.
- ▶ Navigation rights and freedoms.
- ▶ Jurisdiction over maritime spaces.
- ▶ Conservation and management of marine resources.
- ▶ Maritime boundary delimitation.



Maritime Human Resource Management

This subject typically covers various aspects tailored to the unique needs of the maritime industry such as:

- ▶ Maritime Regulations and Compliance.
- ▶ Techniques for retaining skilled professionals in a competitive industry.
- ▶ Onboard and shore-based training initiatives for skill enhancement.
- ▶ Conflict resolution and team-building techniques in a global context.
- ▶ Succession planning and talent management strategies.

Shipping Laws and Regulations and Risk Management

This subject offers insights into commercial maritime law and shipping contracts, covering topics such as:

- ▶ Contracts of affreightment, including bills of lading and charter parties.
- ▶ Legal responsibilities and liabilities of carriers and shippers.
- ▶ Passenger carriage at sea regulations.
- ▶ Indian Marine aspects related to carriage at sea and inland.
- ▶ Legal frameworks for addressing disputes and claims in shipping.

It also focuses on the legal principles and practices related to salvage contracts, towage contracts, Ship building and Recycling contracts, maritime risks, protection and insurance including:

- ▶ Circumstances under which risks to parties, cargo, and ships can be covered.
- ▶ Types of marine insurance policies and their coverage.
- ▶ Claims procedures and dispute resolution in marine insurance.

IMO Compliances and Port Regulations.

The environmental regulations in maritime are more of a commercial regulation as non-compliance can result in arrest or detention of a ship creating a chain of contractual breaches resulting from the consequential delay in delivery. This subject focuses on:

- ▶ International, regional and national organisations regulation marine environment (IMO, PSC MoUs, UNEP & Non-UNEP-RSPs, BIMCO, Intertanko, Classification societies (including IRS) and DG Shipping)



- ▶ MARPOL compliances and resulting penalties by PSC
- ▶ London Dumping Convention, Anti-fouling law, Ballast Water Management Law
- ▶ Ship recycling laws, law of wreck

It also focuses on the legal and regulatory framework that governs port operations, which includes:

- ▶ International Maritime Regulations
- ▶ National and Regional Regulations
- ▶ Port Security Regulations



Industry Internship

The Industry Internship, typically conducted after the completion of the first year of an MBA program, is a crucial experiential learning opportunity designed to bridge academic knowledge with practical experience. This program involves students working directly with various firms and ports, offering them a chance to learn in real-world.

- ▶ The Industry Internship will be for 2 months after completion of the 1st Year.

Seafarers Rights and Responsibilities

The rights of the seafarers are regulated and governed by international regulations. Being a sensitive employment option the shipping companies are required to keep continuous adherence to the laws and ensure safety and security on board of the ship. This subject covers

- ▶ STCW regulations emphasise the work environment and timings on the ship.
- ▶ The Maritime Labour Convention emphasises the protection of seafarers' rights and conditions on board.
- ▶ ILO regulations on the protection of seafarers and protection of human rights at sea.

Maritime Infrastructure & PPP

The subject of Maritime Infrastructure & Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) in a maritime management program focuses on the development, management, and financing of maritime infrastructure projects through collaborative arrangements between public and private sectors.

- ▶ Methods for financing maritime infrastructure projects, including equity, debt, and hybrid financing models.
- ▶ Stages of a maritime infrastructure project from initiation and planning to execution and evaluation.
- ▶ Examining case studies of projects to identify common pitfalls and areas for improvement.
- ▶ Identifying emerging trends in maritime infrastructure and PPPs, including sustainability initiatives and global economic shifts.
- ▶ Anticipating future challenges and opportunities in the development and management of maritime infrastructure.



Maritime Dispute Resolution:

Alternate dispute resolution in Maritime is a vital and highly specialized area as the issues and complexities at sea are unique and cannot be addressed without conceptual understanding thus a traditional commercial dispute resolution is not sufficiently suited to deal with maritime issues.

- ▶ Acquisitions and Transfer of Interest in Ships: Understanding the legal processes involved in acquiring and transferring ownership and interests in maritime vessels.
- ▶ Ship Mortgages: Legal principles and practices concerning the financing of ships and the use of ships as collateral for loans.
- ▶ Collisions: Legal liabilities and resolutions arising from collisions at sea.
- ▶ Conciliation, Mediation and Arbitration in Maritime and its difference from traditional Commercial Arbitration
- ▶ Regulations of Major Maritime Arbitration institutions

Shipping Finance

This subject focuses on the financial aspects of the shipping industry, such as:

- ▶ Shipping Investment Analysis
- ▶ Ship Valuation and Appraisal
- ▶ Financial Structuring and Risk Management
- ▶ Shipping Market Analysis
- ▶ Financial Statements and Analysis

Dissertation

A comprehensive research project on a topic of the student's choice within the field of maritime law, demonstrating their ability to apply the knowledge and skills acquired during the programme.

Note: The Papers of CS Course passed under this course is only for the purpose of MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management. For completing CS Course, students are separately required to pass the examinations conducted by ICSI and complete all other necessary requirements.

Benefits of MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management.

A Career in the Maritime Sector:

“Set sail in the ocean of rewarding opportunities”

Regarded as the lifeblood of global economy, the maritime sector orchestrates approximately 90% of the world's international trade. The volume of global trade mirrors the extensive job opportunities within this industry, ensuring a vibrant and promising career landscape.

Current projections reveal that by 2030, India is poised to become one of the top three countries in the world. For this prediction to materialize, the maritime and shipping sector's role will be undeniably pivotal.

Yet, a pressing demand-supply gap persists within India's maritime sector. Conservative estimates suggest a shortage exceeding 50,000 management professionals, escalating to approximately 200,000 professionals in average scenarios by 2030. This implies a colossal demand for skilled maritime personnel, urging the need for specialized maritime education.

Around 150 Directorate General of Shipping-approved institutes are currently operating in India, offering an array of courses to address both technical and commercial aspects within the maritime sector. However, a mismatch exists. While institutes providing technical and commercial courses hold a ratio of 92:8, the job demand for technical and commercial roles is in the ratio of 60:40.



Unfortunately, a scarcity of institutes offering commercial maritime education in India results in students seeking international education, thereby incurring substantial costs. This situation accentuates the urgent requirement to boost capacity, particularly on the commercial side of the maritime sector.

Together, these facts underscore the maritime and shipping sector as a lucrative and promising career path, a reality yet unknown to many. Pursuing a career in this vibrant sector represents an exciting opportunity, awaiting discovery and exploration.

Considering the consistent, high demand for maritime expertise, the career opportunities within the shipping and maritime sector are vast. Leveraging the focused, customized sector-specific education provided by GMU can significantly multiply your career growth prospects, seeing a solid foundation for a successful future in this vibrant industry.

Maritime Vision 2030 envisages Rs 3 lakh cr investment in port projects, 20 lakh jobs (The Economic Times)

Opportunities for growth increasing in maritime sector, says Sonowal (The Hindu Bureau)

Expansion of Indian maritime sector to create more jobs for women (The Times of India)

Contribution of shipping and logistics industry in Indian economy (The Times of India)

Embark upon an exciting and rewarding academic voyage in the maritime sector.





Program Structure

MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management

SEMESTER 1		No. of credits
1.	Jurisprudence, Interpretation & General Laws	4
2.	Company Law & Practice	4
3.	Setting Up of Business, Industrial & Labour Laws	4
4.	Corporate Accounting and Financial Management	4
5.	Law of the Seas	4
6.	Maritime Human Resource Management	4
SEMESTER 2		No. of credits
1.	Capital Market & Securities Laws	4
2.	Economic, Commercial and Intellectual Property Laws	4
3.	Tax Laws & Practice	4
4.	Shipping Laws, Regulations and Risk Management	4
5.	IMO Compliances and Port Regulations	4
6.	Seafarer's Right and Responsibilities	4
SEMESTER 3		No. of credits
1.	Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) – Principles & Practice	4
2.	Drafting, Pleadings and Appearances	4
3.	Compliance Management, Audit & Due Diligence	4
4.	CSR and Social Governance	4
5.	Maritime Infrastructure & PPP	4
6.	Industry Internship	6
SEMESTER 4		No. of credits
1.	Strategic Management & Corporate Finance	4
2.	Corporate Restructuring, Valuation and Insolvency	4
3.	Insolvency and Bankruptcy Law and Practice	4
4.	Maritime Dispute Resolutions	4
5.	Shipping Finance	4
6.	Dissertation	8



Life @ GMU

Campus @ GMU

The 50-acre sprawling campus at GNLU strives to reduce its environmental impact by incorporating sustainability in every aspect of campus life. The lush and luxuriant environs form an ideal seat for learning. The campus is equipped with modern facilities and latest technology to provide an excellent learning environment for the students. The institute has state-of-the-art classrooms equipped with multimedia equipment and modern furniture, fully equipped conference rooms with video-conferencing facility, a 24x7 library and a computer lab with latest configuration machines as well as access to various software and databases. All the classrooms are equipped with multimedia projector, computer systems equipped with an audio system.

Mess Facilities

The campus consists of a well-built cafeteria equipped with facilities like round the clock free coffee & tea points are installed at different locations in the campus.

Library

Students at GMU are given uninterrupted access to the rich GNLU library (24x7) which is spread over four floors with seating capacity of 300. The library has an extensive collection of over 43,000 volumes of books, reports and subscribes 150 print journals, newspapers, reference books and e-books. The GNLU library, in addition to law and management related learning resources, houses a vast collection of literature on allied subjects and also has rich resources related to shipping and logistics.

Sports Facilities

The campus is well equipped with various sports infrastructure and hosts university level events for Cricket, Badminton, Football, Table tennis, Basketball, Kabaddi, among many others. The campus also has separate facilities like swimming pool and gymnasium for the students.

Pedagogy and Curriculum

GMU's pedagogy combines enriching lectures, insightful field visits, and pragmatic case studies, fostering a robust understanding of the maritime sector. Our interdisciplinary teaching style and immersive curriculum stimulates active engagement. We aspire to mould professionals capable of leadership roles, making noteworthy contributions to the maritime sector, both in India and internationally.







Admission Process

Eligibility Criteria

- ▶ A registered student of ICSI and
- ▶ The candidate must hold a Bachelor's Degree in any discipline with at least 50% marks or equivalent CGPA (45% marks in case of SC/ST/SEBC/EWS Category candidates)

To clarify, the candidate must hold a Bachelor's Degree in any discipline with at least 50% marks or equivalent CGPA (45% marks in case of SC/ST/SEBC/EWS Category candidates), awarded by any of the Universities incorporated by an act of the Central or State legislature in India or other educational institutions established by an act of Parliament or declared to be deemed as a university as per the UGC Act, 1956, or possess an equivalent qualification recognized by the Ministry of Education, Government of India. (Formerly Ministry of Human Resource Development)

Further, candidates appearing for the final year of the bachelor's degree/equivalent qualification examination and those who have completed degree requirements and are awaiting results can also apply. If selected, such candidates will be allowed to join the programme provisionally, only if he/she submits a certificate from the Principal/Registrar of his/her College/Institute within one month of commencement of classes stating that the candidate has completed all the requirements for obtaining the bachelor's degree/ equivalent qualification on the date of the issue of the certificate.

Selection Process

Candidates will undergo an online test and an online interview conducted by the Gujarat Maritime University (GMU). However, the candidates who possess a valid CMAT/CAT or MAT score for the corresponding academic year are exempt from participating in the remotely proctored entrance test. These candidates may submit their valid scores for consideration, which will be duly evaluated during the admission process.

Please note that, in accordance with the Notification issued by the Education Department on 24th June 2020, candidates with a valid CMAT score will be given preference in the merit list. This will be followed by CAT and MAT scores, with the GMU entrance test scores being considered thereafter.

Shortlisting: Based on the online test results, the top 180 candidates will be shortlisted.

Online Interview: Shortlisted candidates will be eligible for online interview.

Final Selection: The final selection for the top 60 candidates will be determined based on the candidates performance in the interview.

Program Fee	
Total Tuition Fee per Annum*	Rs. 1,25,000
Infrastructural Maintenance Fee (per annum)	Rs. 28,000
Examination Fee (per annum)	Rs. 6,000
Academic Facility Fee (per annum)	Rs. 18,000
Extra-Curricular (per annum)	Rs. 3,000
Annual Fees for first year	Rs. 1,80,000
Annual Fees for Second year	Rs. 1,80,000
Total Fees	Rs. 3,60,000

**The above fee structure is determined by Gujarat Maritime University and is subject to revision as per Government and University regulations.*

** Subject to the fee structure that may be determined by the Fee Regulatory Committee (Technical) constituted under section 9 (1) of the Gujarat Professional Technical Educational Colleges or Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation of Fees) Act, 2007, for the University, any amount paid in excess to the fee structure finally determined by Fee Regulatory Committee (Technical) shall be refunded to the students. Similarly, any amount due to the University as fee structure in excess of what has been paid shall have to be deposited to the University by the students, if applicable.*

Note

The fee structure is subject to revision and in case of any changes, final fees shall be binding to the students being admitted.

All financial transactions, including payment of fees, other charges, and any refund thereof, or any other dispute, shall be handled exclusively by Gujarat Maritime University. The ICSI shall not be responsible or liable for any matter arising therefrom.

Fee Refund Policy

As per UGC Regulations

How to apply?

Filling out the application form available on the <https://gmu.edu.in/>

Important Dates:

Particulars	Date
Last Date of Application	9th April 2026
Mock/Demo Online Test	10th April 2026
Date of Online Entrance Examination	12th April 2026
Date of Online Interview	15th April 2026
Declaration of Merit List	17th April 2026
Tentative date of commencement of classes	1st July 2026



FAQs

(Frequently Asked Questions)

Q1. What is MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management?

This program offers a distinct approach providing a distinctive blend of theoretical knowledge and practical insights. It is specifically designed for individuals seeking to expand their expertise in maritime regulations and secure a competitive advantage within the maritime and shipping industries.

The curriculum is rigorously structured to impart a comprehensive understanding of the legal frameworks and regulatory practices governing maritime activities, while also encompassing the full spectrum of subjects integral to the CS qualification.

The course curriculum for the course will include specialised subjects like International Law of the Sea, Maritime Human Resource Management, Shipping Laws and Regulations & Risk Management, IMO Compliances and Port Regulations, Seafarers Rights and Responsibilities, Maritime Infrastructure & PPP, Maritime Dispute Resolution, Shipping Finance and Dissertation.

Additionally, the program emphasizes experiential learning through an industry internship component, designed to provide students with direct exposure to the maritime sector and enhance their practical knowledge in a real-world setting.

Q2. If I want to be a company secretary, do I need to pass the CS Executive and CS Professional examinations independently of the MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management?

Yes, the MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management is a distinct program, separate from the CS Executive and CS Professional courses. Students enrolled in the CS Course are still required to appear for the CS examinations (Executive/Professional) conducted by ICSI.





Enrollment in the MBA program does not exempt students from the ICSI examination requirements.

Q3. What is special about this MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management Program?

The maritime sector orchestrates approximately 90% of the world's international trade. The volume of global trade mirrors the extensive job opportunities within this industry, ensuring a vibrant and promising career landscape. Current projections reveal that by 2030, India is poised to become one of the top three countries in the world. For this prediction to materialize, the maritime and shipping sector's role will be undeniably pivotal. Consequently, there is an increasing demand for professionals within the industry. The MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management has been created to cater to this demand. This program aims to navigate the complex legal landscape of maritime activities and pursue careers in areas such as maritime law practice, shipping management, marine insurance, and international trade. The combined expertise of GMU and ICSI ensures high-quality education. GMU provides state-of-the-art facilities to enhance students' understanding of maritime industry.

The course curriculum incorporates insights from industry experts. The course will be delivered by a team comprising faculty from both the institutes, compliance professionals, regulators, and visiting faculty. Considering the consistent, high demand for maritime

expertise, the career opportunities within the shipping and maritime sector are vast. Leveraging the focused, customized sector-specific education provided by GMU can significantly multiply your career growth prospects, seeing a solid foundation for a successful future in this vibrant industry.

Q4. What is the Eligibility Criteria for the MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management Program?

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Further, candidates appearing for the final year of the bachelor's degree/equivalent qualification examination and those who have completed degree requirements and are awaiting results can also apply. If selected, such candidates will be allowed to join the programme provisionally, only if he/she submits a certificate from the Principal/Registrar of his/her College/Institute within one month of commencement of classes stating that the candidate has completed all the requirements for obtaining the bachelor's degree/equivalent qualification on the date of the issue of the certificate.

Q5. Who should participate in the MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management Program?

The program is specifically structured for students enrolled in the CS Executive and CS Professional courses, aiming to cultivate advanced knowledge and competencies in maritime regulatory frameworks, with a focus on preparing individuals for roles as compliance professionals in this specialized field.

Q6. What is the total number of seats in the MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management Program?

The program offers a total of 60 seats.

Q7. What will be the process of admission?

Candidates will undergo an online test and an online interview conducted by the Gujarat Maritime University (GMU). However, the candidates who possess a valid CMAT/CAT or MAT score for the corresponding academic year are exempt from participating in the remotely proctored entrance test. These candidates may submit their valid scores for consideration, which will be duly evaluated during the admission process.

Please note that, in accordance with the Notification issued by the Education Department on 24th June 2020, candidates with a valid CMAT score will be given preference in the merit list. This will be followed by CAT and MAT scores, with the GMU entrance test scores being considered thereafter.

Shortlisting: Based on the online test results, the top 180 candidates will be shortlisted.

Online Interview: Shortlisted candidates will be eligible for online interview.

Final Selection: The final selection for the top 60 candidates will be determined based on the candidates' performance in the interview.

Q8. How will the entrance examination be conducted? What is the syllabus of the entrance exam?

An online entrance test will be conducted. The duration of the test will be 2 hours. The test will comprise 100 multiple-choice questions (MCQs) covering the following subjects.

- i) Basic Knowledge of Securities Markets
- ii) Law of Contracts

Q9. How will the interview be conducted? What is the syllabus of the interview?

An online interview will be conducted by a panel of 3 experts for 100 marks. Questions will be asked from the following subjects:



- i) Basic Knowledge of Securities Markets
- ii) Law of Contracts

Q10. Is distance learning available for MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management Program?

Distance learning is not available for this MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management as it's a 2 year full-time program.

Q11. Is there any upper age limit for the Program?

No, there is no upper age limit for the program.

Q12. How can I apply?

Candidates are required to register themselves online at <https://gmu.edu.in/>

Step 1: Application process: Candidates are required to log in to GMU website and complete the application process by paying the registration fee. After making the payment of the application fee of Rs.1000 /- the candidates are allowed to submit their application.

Step 2: Registration:

Upon successful registration, a registration ID and number will be sent to the registered email ID of the candidate for further correspondence.



Q13. What is the application form fee?

Students can apply Online at <https://gmu.edu.in/>. The online procedure has to be done by paying the application form fee of Rs.1000/- by any of these: – Debit Card/Credit Card/Net banking.

Q14. What is the fee for this MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management program?

The Fee structure is as follows:

Total Tuition Fee per Annum*	Rs. 1,25,000/-
Infrastructural Maintenance Fee (per annum)	Rs. 28,000
Examination Fee (per annum)	Rs. 6,000
Academic Facility Fee (per annum)	Rs. 18,000
Extra-Curricular (per annum)	Rs. 3,000
Annual Fees for first year	Rs. 1,80,000
Annual Fees for Second year	Rs. 1,80,000
Total Fees	Rs. 3,60,000



Q15. Is there any educational loan available for the MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management program?

Yes, Educational Loan can be availed by the candidate through bank.

Q16. What if any student of MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management program fails to qualify for any of the subjects or mandatory certifications?

The opportunity to reappear will be provided to the concerned students.

Q17. May I visit the campus? If so, when?

Yes, you may visit campus any day from Monday – Friday between 9:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Please share the visiting details in advance by emailing at admissions@gmu.edu.in



Q18. What subjects will be covered in this MBA in Maritime Regulations and Compliance Management?

This two-year program is divided into four semesters. The details of the subjects are mentioned in the prospectus.

Q19. What are the important dates?

Particulars	Date
Last Date of Application	9th April 2026
Mock/Demo Online Test	10th April 2026
Date of Online Entrance Examination	12th April 2026
Date of Online Interview	15th April 2026
Declaration of Merit List	17th April 2026
Tentative date of commencement of classes	1st July 2026

Q.20 For any specific query, whom should I contact?

You may contact at the following numbers for any specific query.

Admission helpdesk GMU: +91 63579 74751 / 52 / 53.

For any academic query, you may also contact the following faculty members from GMU

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