

BSc in Nautical Science

(4 Years/240 ECTS, Bachelor of Science)

1. Application for Admission

Applicants who wish to enroll to the BSc in Nautical Science program/CoC Officer in Charge of a Navigational Watch, must submit a fully completed Application Form for admission. The Application for Admission must be accompanied by the following documents:

1. Copy of High School Leaving Certificate or equivalent
2. Copy English Language Certificate
3. Copy of a valid Passport
4. Recent Digital Passport size Photo

Successful Applicants must fulfil all the Entry Requirements indicated in **Table 1**.

Table 1: Entry Requirements

A/A	Qualifications	Successful Criteria
1	High School/Technical Leaving Certificate & Transcripts or equivalent qualification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum Grade 15 out of 20 (75%) • 10th & 12th Level (in English Language)
2	Mathematics as a core or elective subject in High School/Technical Leaving Certificate or equivalent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum Grade 75% or • Successful completion of a Mathematics Placement Test
3	English Language Proficiency	Official Certificate – See *Table 2: English Language Requirements
4	Interview with the Programme Coordinators	Successful completion of the interview**

Applicants who fulfill all of the Entry Requirements and successfully completed the interview, will receive a **Conditional Acceptance Letter**. In order for the applicants to receive an Unconditionally Acceptance Letter and officially register to the BSc in Nautical Science, they must **submit** to the **Admissions Office** the following mandatory documents:

- a. **Medical Fitness Certificate for Service at Sea** (based on the Regulation STCW I/9) from a doctor/medical center/hospital approved by the relevant competent authority of your country of origin (Upon arrival to Cyprus you must re-issue the Medical Fitness Certificate for Service at Sea from a doctor/medical center/ hospital approved by the Department of Merchant Shipping in Cyprus)
- b. **Valid Clear Criminal Record Certificate**

2. English Language Requirements

Any EU or Non-EU student who wish to apply for the BSc in Nautical Science programme of study, must possess and submit to the Admissions' Office one of the following English Language Certificates. Table 2 indicates the **Minimum Accepted Grade** required for each certificate as well as its **Validity Vuration**. Certificates that do not meet the criteria below **will not be accepted**.

**Table 2: English Language Requirements*

Certificate Description	Accepted Minimum Grade	Validity (from the date acquired)
Anglia Examinations	Advance	Indefinite
Cambridge GCE AS Level in English Language	Grade “C”	Indefinite
IGCSE/GCE A Levels	Grade “C”	Indefinite
Cambridge IGCE or GCSE English as a 1st Language	Grade “D”	Indefinite
Cambridge IGCE or GCSE English as a 2nd Language	Grade “C”	Indefinite
University of Cambridge Exams	Grade “B2 First (FCE)”	Indefinite
IELTS	Score of 5.5	2 Years
TOEFL (IBT)	Score of 72	2 Years
SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW):	Score of 530	5 Years
Password Skills Plus Test	Score of 5.5	2 Years
Pearson PTE Academic	Score of 59	2 Years
Michigan Language Assessment	Score ECCE (53)	Indefinite
IB English B Standard Level (SL)	Score of 5	Indefinite
IB English B High Level (HL)	Score of 4	Indefinite
IB English A Literature SL & HL	Score of 4	Indefinite

All of the above Certificates are equivalent to the **Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) with a Minimum score of B2.**

3. Interview with the Programme Coordinator

The personal interview is a key part of the selection process. This interview is designed to help the programme coordinators to understand the prospective students' motivations, knowledge, and readiness for the maritime industry and the seafarer's profession. Below is a guide to what is expected from the prospective students during the interview:

- **Motivation for a Maritime Career**

Candidates should be prepared to explain why they are drawn to a career in the maritime industry, specifically in the role of a deck officer. The interviewers aim to understand what inspires them to choose this path and to gauge their enthusiasm for the profession.

- **Understanding of Deck Officer Responsibilities**

Candidates will be asked about their knowledge of the day-to-day duties of a deck officer and should be ready to describe what they know about the role and how they envision their responsibilities on board a ship.

- **Research and Preparation**

Candidates will be expected to share how they have researched the seafarer's profession. Whether through online sources, industry professionals, or personal experiences, the interviewers want to know what steps have been taken to learn about the field.

- **Adaptability to Life at Sea**

Since life at sea involves long periods away from home, candidates will be asked how they feel about this reality and how they plan to adapt to the challenges of extended time away.

- **Handling Challenges**

Candidates should be prepared to discuss a time when they faced a significant challenge and how they overcame it. This helps assess their problem-solving skills and their ability to manage difficult situations.

- **Dealing with High-Stress Situations**

As maritime careers can be demanding and stressful, candidates will be asked about their strategies for managing stress and maintaining focus in challenging conditions.

- **Communication and Multicultural Work Environment**

Because ship crews often consist of individuals from diverse nationalities and cultures, candidates should be ready to explain how they would approach communication and handle cultural differences on board.

- **Long-Term Career Goals**

The interviewers are interested in candidates' long-term ambitions within the maritime industry. Candidates should reflect on where they see themselves in the future and how they plan to grow within the profession.

- **Rewards for Being a Deck Officer**

Candidates will be asked to reflect on what they consider to be the most rewarding aspects of becoming a deck officer and why those aspects are meaningful to them.

- **Staying Updated with Industry Changes**

Given the constant evolution of the maritime industry due to new regulations and technologies, candidates should be prepared to explain how they intend to stay informed about advancements and changes in the field.