

Oregon Maritime Training College Proposal

Sen. Rosenbaum and Members of the Senate Rules Committee:

When looking at employment in the Maritime industry, there are numerous certifications required by United States Coast Guard (USCG) and International Maritime Organization (IMO) regulations. There are multiple ways to achieve these certifications. One is to spend a designated days training while underway on a ship and have a ships officer sign off on all of the practical competencies and then have the individual go into a USCG examination center and do all of the written testing required for the desired certification. For most mariners, this option is not available. The time spent training while underway must be done while the individual has no other duties assigned. Since this time period may be up to a year in length, most companies find it to not be a cost effective way to train individuals. The other choice is to train at a school USCG approved for the desired certification. Schools that have gone through the appropriate process to demonstrate quality of instruction, rigor of curriculum and the standards of the training facility and equipment may receive UCSC recognition of the individual course. This approval means that a student successfully completing the training and receiving a certificate can present it to the USCG and meet all of the sea time, practical and written testing requirements needed. For example, to receive a USCG credential as Able Bodied Seaman Special (AB) by the first option an individual would need to spend a minimum of 360 days at sea working on deck. They would then need to complete the written and practical assessments for AB, Basic Safety, Ratings Forming Part of a Navigational Watch and Lifeboatman. This would involve approximately 250 practical assessments and ten written examinations. In the second path, a student graduation from high school with no previous experience completing the School Ship Training Program at Clatsop meets all of these requirements.

Clatsop has 26 USCG approved courses and programs. I am not aware of any other college in Oregon that has even one. Listed below are current USCG approvals at Clatsop.

Able Bodied Seaman	(CLATCC-1)	Advanced Fire	(CLATCC-15)
Automatic Radar Plotting	(CLATCC-37)	Basic Fire Fighting	(CLATCC-53)
Bridge Management	(CLATCC-75)	Celestial Navigation	(CLATCC-107)
Combined Fire Fighting	(CLATCC-125)	Elementary First Aid	(CLATCC-197)
GMDSS	(CLATCC-210)	Master 100 tons	(CLATCC-281)
Master 200 tons	(CLATCC-292)	OUPV	(CLATCC-340)
Personal Safety	(CLATCC-359)	Personal Survival	(CLATCC-363)
Lifeboat	(CLATCC-372)	Rivers Radar	(CLATCC-397)
Unlimited Radar	(CLATCC-399)	Unlimited Recert	(CLATCC-406)

Rivers Recert	(CLATCC-404)	Tankerman	(CLATCC-501)
Flashing Light	(CLATCC-542)	RFPNW lookout	(CLATCC-409)
RFPNW unlimited	(CLATCC-408)	Steersman	(CLATCC-33)
Training Ship Program	(CLATCC-629)	Medical Provider	(CLATCC-310)