

MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY

A College of Engineering, Management, Science, and Transportation

Vessel Security Officer (VSO) Instructor (Pool)

POSITION OVERVIEW

The Vessel Security Officer course is offered over 4 days up to six times a year. This part-time, temporary position is expected to teach this on a rotation with other pool members for the 2017 - 2018 academic year. This course can occur during the week or on weekends.

DUTIES

- Teach continuing education students in the area of Vessel Security Officer.
- Assist CED with updates and language of course when needed.
- Assist in the development of learning materials and maintaining records to monitor student progress, achievement and attendance.
- Participate in the development, administration and marking of exams and other assessments.
- Provide advice and support to students.
- Oversee and instruct mock drills that include the appropriate methods of searching, restraining, bomb searches, reading of vessel layouts, and piracy encounters.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS

- Teaching and other forms of public presentation.
- Proficiency and experience with security aboard vessels.
- Ability to write clearly and tailor communication style to meet the needs of the recipient.
- Ability to work collaboratively.
- Commitment to high quality teaching and fostering a positive learning environment for students
- Commitment to MMA's policy of equal opportunity and the ability to work harmoniously with colleagues and students of all genders, cultures and backgrounds
- Excellent interpersonal, organizational and communication skills are essential
- Ability to maintain composure in stressful situations
- High degree of professionalism
- Demonstrated integrity and ability to maintain confidentiality
- Must have the knowledge, skill, and background to teach both in the classroom and aboard a variety of vessels.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- VSO Endorsement on MMC or certificate of VSO completion from a U.S. Coast Guard approved agency.
- Experience working within vessel security afloat, landside, or other law enforcement capacities.
- U.S. Coast Guard approval to teach this course for MMA Continuing Education (this process will be completed through the Continuing Education office.)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- Background check is required
- Smoke- and tobacco-free campus.

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PHYSICAL/ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

- Requires use of computer monitor in classroom lecture.
- Requires standing, walking, climbing, and good balance frequently.
- Requires being aboard vessels.
- Requires being in a variety of weather conditions.