



ACADEMY OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Class III Deck Officer training program

Pre Sea Training at AIS (3 Months)- followed by **onboard training (18 Months)** in a trading Merchant ship with AMSA approved DLP by Institute of Maritime Education and Training Australia (iMETA) and **6 Months Preparatory Course in Australia at** Hunter TAFE – New South Wales, Australia, leading to award of Diploma in Transport and Distribution (Maritime Operations, Deck Watch Keeper) and thereby being eligible for appearing CoC III competency exam conducted by Australian Maritime Safety Authority(AMSA).

Aims and Objectives:

This education & training programme aims at preparing the candidates to boldly and knowledgeably face and deal with the challenges associated with the life at sea and to develop the virtues of goodwill, comradeship and teamwork, which is essential for building a career at sea.

Programme Structure and Delivery

The Programme consists of 3 Phases:

Phase I:

Pre Sea Training: This is a Residential course conducted at AIS, Kochi of 3 months duration which the candidates have to successfully complete.

Phase II:

Shipboard training: This is a ship attached training phase of 18 months duration, with an AMSA(Australian Maritime Safety Authority) approved Distance Learning Program (DLP) provided by iMETA. Training berths can also be provided by AIS on request from students paying the administration fee for Phase II mentioned in the prospectus. The trainees are provided with stipend from their employers during this phase.

Phase III:

This will be a shore based preparatory program of 5 months duration at Hunter-TAFE NSW, prior to appearing before Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) for oral examination for obtaining the Class III deck officers Certificate of Competency (COC Class-III). Upon successful completion of preparatory course at Hunter TAFE, a Diploma in Transport and Distribution will be awarded by Hunter TAFE NSW.

Medium of instruction

The medium of instruction for this training program is English.

Phase I - Program Duration

The Pre Sea Course duration at AIS shall be 3 months and the failed candidates are permitted to appear twice for the examination before redoing the course.

Educational Qualification

- Pass in 10+2 examination from a recognized Board / University with Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics (PCM), or Commerce or Biology.



OR

- Pass in a Diploma (equivalent to 10+3) from a recognized Board / University.

AND

- Should have passed with English as a separate subject, at 10+2, 10+3 or in the Degree programme conducted by a recognized Board/University.

Age Limit

Not more than 25 years as on commencement of Phase I of each batch. Exemptions may be given on a case to case basis.

Physical and Medical Standards

Medically fit as per the standards set by IMO/ AMSA as amended from time to time.

Eye-sight

6/6 in each eye, without any visual aids. Normal colour vision (No colour blindness). Candidates should undergo an eyesight test conducted by an approved medical practitioner before being finally selected for the programme.

Residential Facility (Hostel)

Phase I is a residential course. Hostel for the students is situated close to the Institute. The conveyance facility between the Institute/Hostel and ship/workshop visits shall be provided by AIS. Course fee is inclusive of boarding, lodging and conveyance during Phase I.

Seamanship and Engineering Workshop Facility

AIS have a seamanship and engineering workshop for familiarising the students with practical aspects of shipboard work. The facility is well equipped. All students are advised to follow strict safety guidelines of the workshop/seamanship instructor while handling electrical tools and machinery as well as while carrying out seamanship practical/rope work tasks.

