

## **KHERSON STATE MARITIME ACADEMY**

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Kherson State Maritime Academy (KSMA) is the first higher marine educational institution in Ukraine. The educational establishment consists of three structural subdivisions: the Professional Maritime Lyceum of KSMA, the Maritime College of KSMA and the Academy proper. The curriculums of the subdivisions of the KSMA are integrated, so graduates from both the lyceum and the college can continue their education in the other structural subdivisions of the KSMA.

In fact, a high level of the students' knowledge is achieved due to the work of the pedagogical teaching staff of the educational establishment, consisting of about 600 people, among them candidates of science, docents, PhDs, professors, and also practicing specialists –masters, chief officers, chief engineers and others. Moreover, one should not forget about the technical equipment of the laboratories and lecture halls, without which it would be practically impossible to achieve the necessary level of the students' efficiency. A number of training apparatuses, which have no analogues in Europe, have been provided for the training of highly qualified maritime specialists. It is a complex of training apparatuses for carrying out a course on basic offshore security, a firefighting practice with heavy ship's cranes «The Cran». Also, the training (model) apparatus "The free-fall lifeboat" has been installed. Special equipment for electrical engineering and automation electric drive has been purchased for the students of the electromechanical department and some facilities have been received as a gift from marine companies.

### **History**

The first maritime educational institution in Ukraine was opened in Kherson on February 7, 1834. Its purpose was the training of young people in navigation and skipper professions. They also taught the profession of shipbuilder. There were 24 students in the first academic group. To be admitted, they had to be able to read and write and be from Kherson, Odessa, Taganrog, Nikolayev, Feodosia, Izmail,

Rostov, Kerch, Yevpatoria, Reni or Ankerman. Those who knew foreign languages were preferred.

Within 170 years the Kherson Marine educational institution was reorganized 9 times:

1872 – Two-Category Naval College;

1879 – Three-Category Naval College;

1903 –Cabotage Naval School;

1904 – Ocean Naval School;

1920 –Technical School of Marine Transport;

1944 – Maritime School of the Ministry of the Merchant Fleet of the USSR;

November 26, 1996 – Kherson Maritime College;

June 16, 2007 – Kherson State Maritime Institute.

June 12, 2011 – Kherson State Maritime Academy.

The institution bore the name of Emperor Alexander II during the years 1872-1917, and the name of Lieutenant Schmidt during the years 1970-1996.

KSMA consists of the Navigation Faculty and the Marine Engineering Faculty.

KSMA provides a high level of preparation for students and lets them occupy their position on the national and international labour market.

**Based on:**

1. <http://kma.ks.ua/ua/>
2. [https://ru.wikipedia.org/wiki/Херсонская\\_государственная\\_морская\\_академия](https://ru.wikipedia.org/wiki/Херсонская_государственная_морская_академия)

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