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I. MATERIALS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN CRETE

1. What is Materials Science and Technology

Materials Science and Technology is an interdisciplinary field that has been recognized as a distinct academic discipline in the last few decades. Historically, the field arises from the fusion of scientific activities in the study of metals, ceramics, polymers, and electronic materials, after it was realized that similar experimental techniques and theoretical models were used to investigate and describe the structure, properties and behavior of the respective materials.

Materials Science can be defined as the study of the structure and the properties of materials and related processing techniques, with the ultimate goal of understanding the processing-structure-properties relationship for each material. Materials Technology is the specialized design, synthesis, control, and modification of materials to meet specific technical and societal requirements. An integral part of such requirements concerns the economic and ecological dimensions of material design.

As Materials Science and Technology requires an understanding of the basic science of the structural elements of a material, its relevant mechanics and applications, the field is particularly broad and interdisciplinary. The interdisciplinary nature of the field also becomes apparent by the variety of the educational backgrounds of scientists working in materials science, engineering and technology worldwide. Only a relatively small portion have a degree in Materials Science, whereas most have been trained as chemists, physicists, biologists, or engineers. In recent years, the field has benefited from scientists directly trained in the interdisciplinary field of Materials Science and Engineering.

Materials Scientists design, synthesize, characterize and develop a wide variety of materials that are used in today's technological era to produce almost all products, from mechanical machines and consumer products to advanced electronics and novel pharmaceutical and biotechnological materials. The field can be subdivided into branches based on the material’s characteristics, origin and use, with the main branches being Biomaterials, Metals, Semiconductors, Electronics and Magnetic Materials, Optoelectronics and Photonics, Polymers, Ceramics and Glasses, Colloids, and Composites. In most cases, a specific material is involved in a wide range of technologies and applications, hence the study of a material offers a more efficient approach than the study of each technology separately.

The Department of Materials Science and Technology (MST) of the University of Crete is an important educational and research center, both nationally and internationally, in the forefront of the developments in the field. Our goal is to participate and contribute in the development of Materials Science in the medium- and long-term.

2. Economic Dimension of Materials

Processed materials are the cornerstone of today's technologically advanced era. To a large extent, the operating limits of materials are those that determine the efficiency of energy production, environmental quality control, and of course, the production of a wide variety of consumer products. In recent decades we have all witnessed a major breakthrough in new materials applications, with the most notable examples of this revolution being the explosive development of microelectronics, the widespread use of synthetic polymers, the innovation in high-strength steel for high-temperature
applications, the rapid increase in magnetic data storage, the development of biocompatible materials, and the application of ultraviolet glass for telecommunications through optical fibers.

Materials are often the limiting factor for the operating conditions and the performance of technological systems. In the future, materials scientists and engineers will be called upon to improve existing materials for extended or specialized applications, as well as design novel materials to overcome existing barriers. For example, the efficiency of a power station is determined by the maximum operating temperature of the turbines. However, this temperature is limited by the characteristics of the nickel alloys used in the manufacturing of turbine blades: as temperature rises these alloys become less durable. Future advances in energy technologies will be boosted by the use of more sophisticated materials that will allow higher operating temperatures in conventional power plants; alternatively, by the development of impermeable and radiation-resistant alloys for nuclear reactor walls, or affordable semiconductors for solar cells. In high-tech applications, high yields are achieved by operating close to the limits of material failure, with a corresponding reduction in service life. Often, the properties of the materials dictate whether a product will even function. For example, despite the fact that the space shuttle is composed of thousands of high-tech elements, it is the insulating ceramic tiles that withstand extremely high temperatures, and the polymeric adhesives that hold them to the aluminum substrate that make it possible for the space shuttle to withstand the heat released as it enters the atmosphere. Additionally, certain materials offer enable significant technological advances to reach consumer products due to their low cost. For example, some phosphorus crystals emit light when bombarded with electrons. These crystals are the backbone of color television with a cost less than 0.5% of the total cost of a television set.

Polymers are now an integral part not only of our daily lives, but also of high-tech applications. Besides the widely used plastics (such as polyethylene, polystyrene, polyesters, PVC, PET), elastomers, adhesives and resins used in the paint industry, polymers are now widely applicable in microelectronics, optoelectronics, optics and computer screens (LCDs), and in biomedicine. Understanding the behavior and having the ability to control colloidal systems advances areas such as paints, medicines, foods, cosmetics, wastewater treatment and biological purification, as well as a variety of agricultural applications.

One of the fastest growing areas of Materials Science and Technology is electronic materials that play an important role in almost all microelectronics activities ranging from the development and processing of semiconductors by ion implantation, diffusion, oxidation and epitaxial growth, to the development of electronic components or the final coating with ceramic and polymeric materials. In addition, the ability to transmit light from some semiconductors is combined with traditional electronic capabilities for the production of integrated optoelectronic circuits that will lead to 21st century computers. Another example, is how the manufacturing of ultra-transparent glass with minimal losses used in fiber optics has been the cornerstone of the telecommunications revolution.

Other growing fields are biomedical and bioengineering materials. Biocompatible materials that comply with strict operating requirements are constantly being developed for use as prosthetic orthopedic devices, artificial skin, artificial blood, and new contact lens systems. Another promising technology for the for the direct synthesis and production of materials is the use of protein production via recombinant DNA.

Recently, the area of Nanotechnology, i.e. Science and Technology of Nanostructures, has gained attention worldwide as an emerging broad and interdisciplinary area of research and development. While the range and nature of applications that can be achieved through nanostructures are only beginning to be understood, the prospect of the coming revolution in production and manufacturing of materials is already clear. Design and synthesis of nanometer-scale materials can lead to new pioneering properties and new structure features that were previously unattainable. This is indeed the core content of the field: innovative applications through nanostructure formation.

The development of characterization methods at the nanoscopic scales for the structure and chemical composition, of material processing methods at the nanometer-scale, and of computational tools that have lead to an understanding of the structure hierarchy and properties from atomic to micro-, meso- and macroscopic scale are among the most important research areas in the field. It is also important to understand the critical role that surfaces and interfaces play in nanostructured materials, due to the high surface-to-volume ratio. Another exciting research field is the thermal, chemical and structural stability of nanostructured materials and devices under operating conditions. Finally, manufacturing and quality control are essential prerequisites for the successful launch of new products.
Every year an increasing number of researchers from different educational backgrounds are working in the field of Nanotechnology, contributing new innovative ideas as well as discovering new application opportunities. However, Materials Scientists are best equipped to propose ideas and applications and also to design new materials due to their training in both the study of structures and properties, and in the material design and production process.

As mentioned earlier, often a specific material may support a wide range of technologies. Therefore, materials themselves offer a more efficient field of research and training than individual products. One such example is polycrystalline materials where the alignment of adjacent crystals is determined by processing. The ability to control the degree of orientation of the crystals was a result of combined efforts by physicists, mathematicians and materials scientists. The control and improvement of the resulting properties is useful in a wide variety of applications, such as soft magnetic alloys for memory, geared steels for electric power adaptors, high elastic tin-phosphorus for electrical connections etc.

Overall, the production and formulation of materials constitute a large part of Developed countries' GDP (e.g. 20% for USA). This results in excellent job opportunities in the field of materials. Material research and development will continue to play a key role in alleviating many of the problems of today's society, such as shortages of critical raw materials and energy. New and/or highly advanced materials are essential for progress in any energy production and distribution activity.

3. Overview of the Department of Materials Science and Technology

The Department of Materials Science and Technology (MST) was founded 2001, and the first undergraduate courses were offered in the academic year 2001-2002 to a student body of 50. The postgraduate (MSc) program was initiated shortly after, in the academic year 2003-2004. The Department is located in the Voutes campus. Its Secretariat can be found in the Mathematics Building, where lectures and laboratory courses are also held. The computing and laboratory infrastructure of the adjacent Institute of Technology and Research (including the laboratories of microelectronics, polymers, semiconductors, superconductors, surfaces, biochemistry, biomaterials, medical applications, laser applications for materials processing) are also available to conduct senior thesis and post-graduate (MSc, PhD and Post-Doc level) work in conjunction with the various group leaders.

The aspiration of the Department of Materials Science and Technology is to grow into a modern, pioneering and dynamic center for the teaching and development of this cutting-edge field, and prepare its students to meet the needs of modern industry and economy. It also intends to contribute to the modern research developments in science and technology in an area with continuous and rapid growth on a medium- and long-term basis.

The Department's research activities focus on the development of new materials through the understanding of the relationship composition – structure – processing – properties. The Master's program leads to the acquisition of a Master of Science (M.Sc.) degree. The Department also accepts doctoral students whose work culminates into a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree. The development of the MSc program was based upon the extensive experience accumulated from long-standing postgraduate programs run by other Departments, as well as newer programs of organized within the framework of the EPEAEK.

4. What is the training provided by the Department of Science and Technology of Materials?

The Department of Materials Science and Technology (“TETY” in Greek) of the University of Crete provides training and produces new knowledge in a cutting-edge scientific area with continuous rapid growth. Its Undergraduate Student Courses (USC) are designed to provide its graduates with the necessary theoretical and applied training in this interdisciplinary subject, and the skills required to adapt to a diverse and ever-changing professional environment.

The USC consists of three sections: introductory, basic and advanced. A detailed description of the three modules and the corresponding courses takes place in Chapters III and IV. Herein follows a brief description. In the introductory stage, the student attends basic courses in Physics, Chemistry,
Mathematics and Computer Science. Beyond basic knowledge, which is acquired during the first semesters, these courses provide the required foundations for more advanced coursework. Simultaneously, in this stage, students are introduced to the basic concepts of Materials Science and familiarize themselves with the relevant English terminology. In the subsequent basic stage, students study various categories of materials, deepen their knowledge in the scientific subjects critical to the Science and Technology of Materials (with courses ranging from Solid State Physics to Soft Matter) and attend Biology courses. Upon completion of this stage, students have acquired the skills to cover more complex and advanced topics in all areas of Materials Science and Technology. At the final, advanced stage, students are given the opportunity to focus on specific directions and elect courses related to categories of materials and processes depending on their interests and professional goals. Students may opt to complete an undergraduate thesis.

Upon completion of the USC, the graduates of the MST Department are equipped with the knowledge and experience to successfully navigate the labor market, which for materials scientists covers a wide range of job positions in various sectors, as well as research and education. This is a result of the interdisciplinary education received, combined with a deeper understanding of the related scientific fields of Physics, Chemistry and Biology, and the acquisition of basic analytical, mathematical and computational skills, as well as basic knowledge of the categories of conventional and advanced materials. A key component of the USC of MST is the emphasis on laboratory training. MST is first and foremost a laboratory-oriented department, offering numerous opportunities for students to become acquainted with modern experimental techniques used in the study of composition, structure, properties and production processes of materials. The apparatuses of our teaching laboratories are of high quality and in some cases equivalent to modern research laboratories. All undergraduate students of MST take a series of compulsory core laboratory courses: General Chemistry Lab, Physics Lab I: Mechanics-Heat, Physics Lab II: Electricity-Optics, Materials Chemistry Laboratory, Soft Matter Laboratory, and Solid State Materials Laboratory. Available elective laboratory courses include Control and Automation of Measurement Systems, Fabrication & Computer-Aided Design Lab etc. Additionally, students attend compulsory courses that include intensive use of computers (PCs), are trained in Computer Programming and in computer-assisted Numerical Solutions. For those interested in modeling and material structure and properties calculations, elective laboratory courses in Computational Material Science and Molecular Modeling and Electronic Structure Calculations are available.

Students with adequate performance in coursework may work at research laboratories of the Department and the Foundation for Research and Technology, in the context of completing a undergraduate thesis research project. During undergraduate studies there is also the possibility of participating in internships at various production companies and research institutions. The internship is an opportunity to network, gain industrial and applied experience and paves the way for a position in the job market.

5. What career paths does the Materials Department pave for its graduates?

Materials Scientists usually gain expertise in some specific categories of materials mentioned in Chapters 1 and 2. Each category is related to numerous industrial applications, and thus production companies. In such positions, materials scientists are engaged in the production, modification and development of new materials, often aiming to achieve improved properties and reduced cost. In many cases, different or incompatible materials must be combined as part of a larger system for a specific design. For example, a new cable for gearbox control is nowadays comprised of 24 parts and 13 different metal alloys and polymers. Materials scientists with their extensive knowledge on mechanical and other material properties, work with engineers on designing new products. Graduates with a Bachelor degree on Materials Science and Technology based on their diverse background may work in a variety of companies, for example companies engaged in the production of metals (steel, aluminum), ceramics (tiles, insulators), glasses (optical fibers), polymers (processing of polymers, plastics), electronic materials (microelectronics, optoelectronics, batteries, cables, magnetic materials), colloids (paints, medicines), as well as with biomaterials and biocompatible materials (tissue engineering, dentistry implantation, prosthetic orthopedics).

The professional rights, regulations and licensure of the graduates of the Department are provided in the Presidential Decree which established the Department, and were vested in the Presidential
Graduates of the Department of Materials Science and Technology of the School of Exact and Technological Sciences of the University of Crete can be employed either as freelancers or as salaried employees:

1. In research and development, production, standardization, quality control, certification and marketing of materials such as (a) ceramics, polymers, glass, metals, liquid crystalline materials, composites, construction materials, smart materials; (b) superconducting materials, magnetic materials, nanomaterials and nanostructured materials, optical materials, optoelectronic materials, photonic materials, polymers and more generally molecular materials used in electronics, optoelectronics and telecommunications; (c) biomaterials, biocompatible materials, materials for biological applications, and materials used in pharmaceuticals, dentistry and medicine. The above activities are meant to cover both laboratory as well as industrial scales and include the synthesis, modification, processing, characterization, modelling and simulation of materials.

2. in public and private energy production and distribution and telecommunications organizations, and wherever research and development of novel advanced materials are necessary for any progress in energy production, distribution and telecommunications.

3. as scientists in organizations and services belonging to state, local-authority (e.g. prefecture or municipality level) or private laboratories responsible for official control, material development and design.

4. as scientists in organizations and services belonging to state, local-authority (e.g. prefecture or municipality level) or private laboratories that undertake studies for the installation, certification and inspection of material quality assurance systems and accreditation of laboratories that study materials;

5. as teachers in secondary education in public and private secondary schools, high schools, Exam preparation Centers, public and private Professional Education Institutes and Centres, (IEK and KEK), Private Centers of Education and Training (KES) and other secondary and post-secondary educational institutions, in the teaching of material science and technology courses, but also courses on exact sciences related to material science (Pending approval and incorporation of the graduates in an educational sector);

6. as Researchers in Materials Science in Universities, Research Centers, Research Institutes, Research Foundations and Research and Development departments of private companies; and

7. as expert consultants for the purpose of offering consultations and drafting technical reports on topics relevant to Materials Science.

6. Materials departments in other countries

From the above, it becomes evident that the Department of Materials Science and Technology is expanding the offered higher education positions in a cutting-edge field. Most top-tier US universities and many in Europe either have stand-alone Materials Departments or offer cross-departmental programs in the field of materials. The table below presents some of these cases in the international arena.

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7. The Role of the Materials Department within the University of Crete

The MST, whose first cohort of students was accepted in 2001, is a modern, dynamic and innovative Department, equivalent and simultaneously complementary to the existing Departments of the School of Exact and Technological Sciences and the University of Crete. The creation and growth of the MST complements existing Departments via its undergraduate and postgraduate courses offered, as well as via interdepartmental research and postgraduate programs. Also, graduates of other Departments can continue their postgraduate education at the MST.

As mentioned above, the field of Materials Science and Technology is internationally a cutting-edge field whose research activities largely focus on developing new materials based on understanding the relationship of composition-structure-processing-properties of materials. In April 2004, the MST introduced its postgraduate programs, leading to Master’s of Science (M.Sc.) and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degrees. The MST is also one of the participating departments in the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Programs "Optics and Vision" and “Nanotechnology for Energy Applications". In the latter (Official Government Gazette 3446 /12.09.2019) the other participating departments are: Electrical Engineering from the School of Engineering and Electronic Engineering from the School of Applied Sciences of the Hellenic Mediterranean University (ex Technological Educational Institute of Crete), Department of Chemistry of the University of Crete, and the Institute of Electronic Structure and Laser of the Foundation for Research and Technology – Hellas (FORTH).

8. Departmental Administration

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9. Subject of Study – Departmental Staff

The objective of the studies in the MST, as already mentioned, is Materials Science and Technology. Materials Science is the understanding of the relationship between the composition, structure, processing, and properties of materials. Material Technology is the specialized design, synthesis, control and modification of materials to meet the demands of society. Scientists in the field design, synthesize, characterize and develop the wide variety of materials used in today's technological age to produce virtually all products from mechanical engineering machines and thousands of consumer products to advanced electronics as well as new types of medicines and biotech materials.

Research in the Department focuses on the following areas (with their respective laboratories):

- Biomaterials
- Polymer and Colloid Science
- Theoretical and Computational Material Science
- Magnetic Materials
- Optoelectronics and Photonics
- Materials Chemistry

Academic Staff

The Department’s academic staff is composed of the Faculty, the Laboratory Instructors, Special Technical Personnel, Scientific Collaborators, as well as Affiliated Faculty from other Departments in the School of Exact and Technological Sciences of the University of Crete. The Department’s academic staff covers a wide range of backgrounds (chemistry, physics, biology and engineering) that provides the necessary interdisciplinary mix for the implementation of the educational goals of the curriculum.

Faculty

Professors

Maria Vamvakaki has received the B.Sc. in Chemistry at the University of Crete. She holds a doctoral degree in Polymer Chemistry from the University of Sussex, U.K. where she did her graduate work with Profs. S. P. Armes and N. C. Billingham, on the synthesis of water-soluble polymers and their evaluation as ceramic dispersants. From 1997 to 1998 she was a post-doctoral associate at the School of Chemistry, Physics and Environmental Science at the University of Sussex, working on the synthesis and characterization of double-hydrophilic block copolymers and their self-assembly in water. In 1999 she became a Visiting Assistant Professor in Chemistry at the Department of Physical Sciences of the University of Cyprus while in 2000 she joined the group of Prof. C. S. Patrickios at the Chemistry Department of the University of Cyprus as a research associate where she worked on the synthesis, characterization, modelling and applications of model polymer networks. From 2001 to 2004 she was a visiting Professor at the Department of Materials Science and Technology of the University of Crete and a visiting scientist at the School of Chemistry, Physics and Environmental Science at the University of Sussex. She is affiliated researcher at FO.R.T.H.-Institute of Electronic Structure and Laser (I.E.S.L.) since 2003. In 2004 she was appointed Assistant Professor at the University of Crete, where she became an Associate Professor in 2011 and a Full Professor in 2018. She is Editor of Materials Science and Engineering C since 2017 and an Associate Editor of Frontiers in Bioengineering and Biotechnology since 2020. She is also a member of the Advisory Board of Polymer Chemistry since 2018.

Dimitrios Vlassopoulos

- Visiting Professorships at the University of Delaware, KITP, ESPCI, ETH Zurich, DTU, INSA, Univ. catholique Louvain. European Editor, Rheologica Acta (2006-2011), Associate Editor, Soft Matter (2015-).
• Weissenberg Award, European Society of Rheology, 2015; Fellow, The Society of Rheology, 2018; Bingham Medal, The Society of Rheology, 2019; APS Fellow, 2019.


**Nikolaos Pelekanos** obtained his PhD in 1991 from Brown University (USA), on the optical properties of two-dimensional II-VI compound semiconductors. After a number of post-doctoral stays in various European labs, including the France Telecom Research Center in Lannion and the Max-Planck Institute in Stuttgart, he joined the Semiconductor Physics Laboratory of CEA-Grenoble from 1995 until 2001. Next, he joined the Microelectronics Research group at FORTH in 2001 and the Materials Science and Technology Department of the University of Crete in 2003. His main research theme is the demonstration of novel semiconductor nanophotonic devices. He has coordinated/participated in numerous European, bilateral and national projects. He has obtained the "Solar Innovation 2010" award for his proposal on third-generation low-dimensional semiconductor solar cells, and more recently a Chair of Excellence LANEF, funded by the French government, for a project entitled "Nanowire Innovative Solar Cells". He has published over 220 publications (2700 citations, h=26) in refereed journals and conference proceedings and holds 6 technical patents.

**George Petekidis** received his Bachelors degree in Physics from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki in 1989 and moved to the Department of Physics of the University of Crete and FORTH for graduate studies. He was awarded a Masters degree in Physics in 1995 and concluded his PhD thesis in Polymer Physics in 1997 working on the "Dynamics of Hairy-rod polymers". After serving his military service he moved to the Department of Physics and Astronomy of the University of Edinburgh with an individual Marie-Curie fellowship where he worked until 2002 under the supervision of Prof. P.N. Pusey on the "Dynamics of colloidal glasses under shear". In 2002 he joined FORTH initially with a return Marie-Curie fellowship and then (2004-2006) as an Associated researcher (grade C). In 2006 he moved to the Department of Materials Science and Technology of University of Crete where he is currently a Professor.

**Pavlos Savvidis** has received the B.Sc. in Physics of the University of Athens. He obtained his doctoral degree in Experimental Condensed Matter and Laser Physics from the University of Southampton in 2001 creating the first polariton amplifier. From 2002 to 2004 he was DARPA funded post-doctoral associate at the Department of Physics at Santa Barbara, USA, working on the terahertz dynamics in semiconductor nanostructures and Bloch Oscillators. In 2004 he was appointed Assistant Professor at the Department of Materials Science and Technology of the University of Crete. He is affiliated researcher of the Microelectronics Research Group at F.O.R.T.H.-Institute of Electronic Structure and Laser (I.E.S.L.) since 2004. He was awarded 1 year Leverhulme Fellowship in 2014 to work as visiting Professor at Cavendish Labs, University of Cambridge. His work on polaritonic devices, appeared in high impact journals such as Nature, Science, Nature Physics, Nature Comm and PRLs. The results of many of these works were featured in News & Views and Perspectives sections of Nature and Science journals respectively.

*Associate Professors*

**Gerasimos Armatas** received his B.Sc. in Chemistry from University of Ioannina in 1998. He obtained his master in Bioinorganic Chemistry in 2000 and his doctoral degree in Chemistry in 2003 from the same University. He did his PhD work with Prof. P. Pomonis on synthesis and pore structure determination of silicate mesoporous materials. From 2004 to 2006 he was a post-doctoral research associate at Chemistry Department of the Michigan State University in USA, working with Prof. Mercouri Kanatzidis on the synthesis of mesostructured elemental semiconductors such as silicon or
germanium. While in 2006 he moved at Chemistry Department of the Northwestern University in IL, USA, where he worked on synthesis of mesoporous Ge-based intermetallic and metal chalcogenide semiconductors. In 2008 he was appointed Assistant Professor at the Department of Materials Science and Technology of the University of Crete.

Maria Kafesaki obtained her Ph.D. in 1997, from the Physics Department of the University of Crete, Greece. She has worked as post-doctoral researcher in the Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas (CSIC) in Madrid, Spain, and at the Institute of Electronic Structure and Laser (IESL) of the Foundation for Research and Technology Hellas (FORTH). From 2001 to 2011 she worked as Researcher (D, C, B) at FORTH-IESL. Her research is on the area of electromagnetic and elastic wave propagation in periodic and random media, with emphasis on photonic crystals and metamaterials, where she has a long time theoretical and computational experience. She has around 80 publications in refereed journals and conference proceedings (with ~3000 citations), she has participated in various European and national projects as well as in the organization of many international conferences and schools.

George Kioseoglou received his B.Sc. and M.Sc. in Physics from the University of Thessaloniki. He obtained his doctoral degree in experimental solid state physics from the State University of New York at Buffalo in 1999 in the area of spectroscopic studies of electronic states in semiconductor heterostructures. From 1999 to 2001, he was a post-doctoral research associate at the Department of Physics SUNY at Buffalo/Brookhaven National Laboratory (Long Island, New York). In 2002 he moved to Washington DC as a postdoctoral associate at Naval Research Laboratory (NRL)/George Washington University where he continued his work on efficient electrical spin injection and detection in semiconductors. From 2004 to 2006 he was a National Research Council (NRC) post-doctoral Fellow with the materials physics branch at NRL. In 2007 he was appointed Associate Professor at the Department of Materials Science and Technology of the University of Crete. Prof. Kioseoglou has shared 3 times the NRL Alan Berman research publication award for his outstanding work on efficient electrical spin injection in GaAs and Si spin-LEDs [PRB 62, 8180 (2000), PRL 89, 166602 (2002), Nature Physics 3, 542 (2007)]. He has co-authored over 85 scientific publications in refereed journals and contributed more than 200 conference presentations; he has 4 very highly cited papers in spintronics [APL 80, 1240 (2002)-420 citations, PRB 62, 8180 (2000)-340 citations, APL 82, 4092 (2003)-220 citations, Nature Physics 3, 542 (2007)-392 citations (data from Google Scholar - January 2018)]. He is an active member of the American Physical Society and serves in APS and MMM conferences.

George Kopidakis received a B.Sc. in Physics from the University of Crete and a Ph.D. in Condensed Matter Physics from Iowa State University in 1995. After his graduate work at Ames Laboratory-Iowa State University, USA, he worked as a research assistant professor at the Center for Atomic-Scale Materials Physics (CAMP), Dept. of Physics, Technical University of Denmark. He then moved to Laboratoire Leon Brillouin (CEA-CNRS), Saclay, France, initially with an individual Marie Curie EC post-doctoral fellowship and later as a CNRS research associate. He was a research associate at the Physics Dept. and a visiting associate professor at the Dept. of Materials Science and Technology, University of Crete, where he was appointed assistant professor in 2003. He is also affiliated researcher at FORTH since 2005.

Andreas Lyberatos received his B.Sc. in Physics from University in London in 1982. He obtained his PhD in Physics in 1986 from the same University. He did his PhD work with Prof. E.P. Wohlfarth on interaction effects in fine particle ferromagnets. He was a postdoctoral research fellow at the University of Central Lancashire (1989-1990), University of Manchester (1990-1991) and Keele University (1991-1996) in the U.K. working with Prof. R.W. Chantrell on magnetic viscosity and thermal fluctuations in micromagnetics. In 1996 he moved at the Physics department of the University of Crete, where he worked as a visiting Lecturer on Monte Carlo models of domain growth in ultra-thin films with perpendicular anisotropy. From 2000 to 2008, he was an independent research consultant of Seagate Technology in Pittsburgh, USA working on the switching speed of perpendicular recording media and heat assisted magnetic recording. In 2009 he moved to the Department of Materials Science and Technology, as a visiting lecturer (2009-2014) where he worked on atomistic models of FePt HAMR media and magnetic vortices. In 2014 he was appointed Associate Professor at the same Department and is currently working in ballistic thermal transport in HAMR media, finite size scaling theory and high temperature magnetization dynamics.

Dimitris Papazoglou got his BSc in 1991, his MSc on Radio-Electronics in 1995 and his PhD in 1998 on “Photorefractive materials in optical information processing systems”, from the Physics Department
of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece. He joined the laser applications group in IESL-FORTH in 2000 as a postdoc and later on was appointed application scientist in 2003 investigating laser-material interaction phenomena for ultra-short and short laser pulses with various materials (metals, dielectrics, bio-materials) during the LIFT process (Laser Induced Forward Transfer) making use of optical diagnostic methods. Concurrently, he was affiliated with the University of Crete as a Visiting Assistant Professor in the Physics Department teaching optics in undergraduate and graduate courses. In 2005, he joined the faculty of the Department of Materials Science and Technology of the University of Crete. He is also an affiliated researcher at IESL-FORTH where he carries out his research activities as an affiliated senior member of the UNIS group.

Ioannis N. Remediakis, got his bachelor (1997), masters (1998) PhD (2002) degrees from the Department of Physics, University of Crete. His PhD research (simulations for alloyed semiconductor surfaces) was performed at Harvard University. Between 2002 and 2008, he held teaching and research appointments at the University of Ioannina, the Technical University of Denmark (DTU) and the University of Crete. In 2008, he joined MST as Assistant Professor where he was tenured in 2012. He is also affiliated research Scientist with the Institute for Electronic Structure and Laser, FORTH.

Constantinos Stoumpos, in 2001 he attended the Chemistry Department at the University of Patras where he obtained both his B.S. (2006) and Ph. D. (2009) degrees, the latter under the supervision of Spyros P. Perlepes working on the coordination chemistry of 3d-metals targeting the discovery of new Single-Molecule Magnets (SMMs) and Molecular Nanomagnets (MNMs). In February 2010 he joined the group of Mercouri G. Kanatzidis at the Department of Chemistry of Northwestern University, IL, USA as a postdoctoral fellow working on the synthesis of p-block halide perovskites for near-IR optical applications. On January 2012 he moved to the Materials Science Division (MSD) of Argonne National Laboratory (ANL), IL, USA, where he worked on the single-crystal growth of dense, wide-bandgap halide and chalcocohalide compounds for high energy radiation detection. In 2014 he returned to Northwestern University working on the development of halide perovskites for energy related applications. Following a short coterminous appointment as Lecturer in 2017 he was promoted to the Research Assistant Professor at Northwestern University in 2017. In 2018 he was appointed at the Department of Materials Science and Technology of the University of Crete as an Associate Professor.

Stelios Tzortzakis received his PhD from the Ecole Polytechnique (France, 2001) in Nonlinear Optics. He has worked in many research laboratories in France and Greece, and since 2003 he has held a CNRS position at the Ecole Polytechnique. In 2006 he was the recipient of a European Union Marie Curie Excellence Grant, with which he has founded and now leads the UNIS research group at IESL-FORTH in Greece, where he is a Principal Researcher. In 2011 he was appointed Associate Professor in the Materials Dept. of the University of Crete. He is a recognized expert in nonlinear laser propagation phenomena and has created the filamention.org website, a unique information resource for the related scientific community.

Maria Chatzinikolaidou received her B.Sc. in Chemistry from the University of Essen, Germany and her doctoral degree in Biochemistry from the same university in 2004. Her PhD work focused on the immobilization and release kinetics of recombinant human bone morphogenetic protein 2 (rhBMP-2) from metal implant surfaces, under the supervision of Prof. H.P. Jennissen. From 2004 to 2006 she was a post-doctoral associate at the University Medical School of Essen working on the development of novel bioactive dental and bone implants. From 2006 to 2008 she was a post-doctoral fellow supported by the EU ENTER program at the Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, FORTH, performing research on biosensing protein and cell interactions with titanium surfaces by means of the quartz crystal microbalance technique. From 2007 to 2010 she was a Visiting Assistant Professor at the Department of Materials Science and Technology of the University of Crete teaching courses on "Biological Materials and Composite Biomaterials" and "Tissue Engineering". In 2010 she was appointed Assistant Professor at the Department of Materials Science and Technology, University of Crete. She served as Chair of the 28th Annual Conference of the European Society for Biomaterials (ESB) held in Athens (2017), and Program Chair of the Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine International Society (TERMIS) EU Conference held in Rhodes (2019).

Nikolaos Chronis received a Bachelor in Engineering (B.E.) in mechanical engineering in 1998, from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki with honors (graduated 1st out of 145 students in his class). He completed his Ph.D. in mechanical engineering from the University of California at Berkeley (USA) in 2004. From 2004-2006, he held a post-doctoral research position at Rockefeller University, New York, (USA). In 2006, he became a faculty at the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. In 2015, he joined the Department of Materials Science and Technology at the
University of Crete. He is also a visiting Professor at the National Center for Scientific Research 'Demokritos'. He is the co-author of more 60 journal and peer-reviewed conference publications and inventor in 3 patents. Dr. Chronis is the recipient of the prestigious NIH Director's New Innovator Award.

Tenured Assistant Professors

Kelly Velonia has received the B.Sc. in Chemistry at the University of Crete. She holds a doctoral degree in Mechanistic Organic Chemistry from the University of Crete where she did her graduate work with Profs I. Smonou and G.J. Karabatsos. In 2000 she joined the group of Prof. R.J.M. Nolte at the Department of Organic Chemistry of the University of Nijmegen (RUN), The Netherlands, as a post-doctoral fellow. In 2001 she joined the group of Prof. F.C. De Schryver at the Department of Chemistry, University of Leuven (KUL), Belgium, as a post-doctoral fellow and in 2002 returned at the group of Prof. R.J.M. Nolte as a Marie Curie Individual Fellow. In 2004 she joined the Department of Organic Chemistry of the University of Geneva, Switzerland, as an Assistant Professor. In 2007 she was appointed Assistant Professor at the Department of Materials Science, University of Crete (tenure 2010).

English Instructors

Kalliopi Katsampoxaki-Hodgetts: School of Exact and Technological Sciences, University of Crete
Emmanouil Sisamakis: School of Exact and Technological Sciences, University of Crete

Laboratory Instructors

Konstantinos P. Papadopoulos
Emmanouil Spanakis
Stamatis Stamatiadis
Emmanouil Stratakis
Emmanouil Tilianakis

Special Technical Personnel

Dimitrios Stefanakis
Dimitrios Theodoridis

10. Participation in the ERASMUS Program

The Department of Materials Science and Technology, as the other Departments of University of Crete, is actively involved in the ERASMUS program. Brief information, webpage links and contact details of the coordinators can be found below:

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Detailed up-to-date information for students regarding the Erasmus Program is available at [https://www.uoc.gr/intrel/students/spoydes-student/erasmus/prokiryksi-kinitikotitas](https://www.uoc.gr/intrel/students/spoydes-student/erasmus/prokiryksi-kinitikotitas)

Institutions where students of the Department can study via the Erasmus Program are listed on the website

In the following table there is an indicative, but not exclusive list of the institutions available for the students of University of Crete via ERASMUS Program.

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Eligibility Criteria for Outgoing Participating Students (namely from the University of Crete)

In order to participate in Erasmus program a student of the University of Crete should:

- Have reached at least the 3rd year of their studies.
- Have demonstrated significant progress in their studies in order to be able to cope with and also benefit from the opportunity of studying abroad.
- Be in the top 20% of students of their academic cohort regarding the progress index.

11. Procedures for acceptable of undergraduate (Bachelor’s) students

Students are accepted in the Department of Material Science and Technology via the procedures defined by the Greek Ministry of Education for admission in all Greek Universities. For the acceptance of applicants already possessing a Bachelor Degree there is also the option of qualification exams.
12. Opportunities for post-graduate studies

The graduates of the Department of Materials Science and Technology have the typical qualifications to apply for MSc and PhD programs. The eligibility of the applicant for each position is decided by the School or Department offering the course.
II. ADDITIONAL SERVICES AND FACILITIES

1. Access to FORTH's innovative research laboratories

The Foundation for Research and Technology-Hellas (FORTH), based in Heraklion, Crete, is one of the largest research centers in the country and is fully established in the region. It operates in hotspots of the Greek regional arc: Crete - Patras - Ioannina under the supervision of and funded from the General Secretariat for Research and Technology of the Ministry of Development and Investment.

FORTH is an organization that produces high-quality research, develops innovative technology, enhances university education, and forms partnerships with universities, research centers, and companies at a national and international level.

FORTH also has some of the most advanced research laboratories worldwide. Activities related to those of MST are taking place at the Institutes of Electronic Structure and Laser (IESL) and Molecular Biology and Biotechnology (IMBB). Such activities pertain to the following areas:

i. Laboratory of Laser Interactions and Photonics

It is the only laboratory in Greece that has been designated as a large European facility, which means that it is used by European researchers for their experiments. In addition to basic research in short pulse and high-power lasers, the lab develops innovative applications in advanced diagnostic material-fatigue techniques, biomedicine, optoelectronics, thin film development of various materials, analysis, certification and cleaning.

ii. Laboratory of Magnetic and Superconducting Materials:

Synthesis and structural / chemical characterization of polycrystalline bimetallic powders. Study of magnetic semiconductor interfaces. Spin injection into semiconductors by magnetic contacts (magnetic semiconductors and ferromagnetic metals). Study of Spin-LED. Superconductivity.

iii. Microelectronics Lab:

The country's only laboratory for the manufacture of microcircuits and devices from complex semiconductors, with applications in high-telecommunications and optoelectronics. It has unique facilities for the production of monocrystalline thin films and nanostructures by the molecular epitaxial method, as well as a complete line of manufacture and characterization of nano-electronics and nano-photon devices

iv. Polymer Lab:

It has facilities and know-how to study the properties of polymers by laser, rheology, and other methods. Understanding the relationships that link microscopic structure and dynamics to macroscopic behavior promotes knowledge in the area of Soft Matter.

v. Laboratory of Hybrid Nanostructures:

Focuses on the development and optimization of nanofluidic materials aiming at a multitude of technological applications. The self-organization of materials for the development of complex nanostructures with functional properties is being studied. Special attention is given to attracted
materials whose properties and function are reversed by external stimuli to create "smart" nanostructures and surfaces.

vi. Laboratory of Photonics and Metamaterials:

It is active in the development and study (both theoretical and experimental) of composite artificial materials to control the propagation of electromagnetic waves. Such materials are photonic crystals and so-called metamaterials (materials with unusual electromagnetic properties, such as negative refractive index or negative infrared and visible magnetic permeability). These materials offer new, revolutionary opportunities for applications in telecommunications and detection and imaging systems.

vii. Protein Structure Lab:

Investigation of the 3D structure of proteins is crucial to understanding the mechanism of action of enzymes. This knowledge is a prerequisite for the development of protein engineering, that is, their modification to produce enzymes with improved or novel properties.

viii. Enzyme Technology Laboratory:

Enzyme technology is an interdisciplinary field with significant emphasis on biotechnology, synthetic chemistry, pharmaceutical development and agriculture. This technology is used to develop new biologically active substances, to produce materials with unique properties, and to develop new processes for the isolation of enzymatic products.

In the framework of the cooperation of MST with FORTH, the aforementioned laboratories are available to undergraduate and postgraduate students for research work in the context of the preparation of a diploma thesis, postgraduate thesis or doctoral thesis or other arrangements with laboratory staff.

2. Laboratory of Electron Microscopy “Vasilis Galanopoulos”

The fully equipped electron microscopy laboratory housed in the Biology building of the University of Crete has two electron passage microscopes (JEM-2100 / Semi STEM / EDS and JEOL-100C) and two scanning microscopes (JSM-6390LV / EDS located JSM-6390), fully operational as well as a number of auxiliaries and devices including confocal and optical microscopes, complete cutting / grinding / ion-milling, sputtering, critical point dryer, ultramicrotome and cryo preparation. Lab activities include imaging tissues, cells, bacteria and other biological materials and systems, as well as studying inorganic, organic and hybrid nanostructures.

3. Computing Infrastructure and Internet

The University’s Data Processing Laboratory and the Department’s IT Support Team play a key role in both the Department’s research and educational activities. The main purpose of supporting the research is to provide two user rooms equipped with many medium- and high-power workstations, as well as a large "parallel machine" of high specifications and capabilities. This equipment is intended for use by the researchers of the Department (lecturers, postgraduate and / or undergraduate students working in research programs). Still, the MST places great emphasis on the training of its students on modern technology issues, and in particular on their introduction and training on the use and programming of computers. For this purpose, there are "Electronic Labs", that is, two fully equipped rooms with dozens of state-of-the-art personal computers. These rooms and equipment are available to students and are used: (a) for teaching computer courses, laboratories, exercises and diploma or postgraduate work; (b) for supervised student practice; and (c) for internet access and entertainment during their free hours. In these laboratories as well as in its research laboratories, the Department has secured licenses to provide specific programs and operating systems for its students free of charge.

The University of Crete is connecting at high speeds (2.5 Gb/s) through the National Research and Technology Network (GRNET-2) to the country’s Research Institutes, other European research networks and the Internet. It provides to members of the University community free Ethernet and Wi-Fi wireless networking and enables them to communicate with other researchers, institutions and
individuals via e-mail, as well as having direct access to databases and libraries of our country and abroad.

4. Libraries

The University Academic Library (http://www.lib.uoc.gr) of Heraklion, with current subscriptions to major international journals, electronic access to Greek and foreign databases and thousands of monographs in all Materials Science subfields, is a key facility available to students, teachers and researchers.

The University Academic Library's direct collaboration with the Institute of Technology and Research in Heraklion and, through a network, with libraries of other Universities and Research Centers in the country, provides almost immediate access to most titles of journals and books that are not directly available in the Department.

Finally, the air-conditioned reading room open on a 12-hour basis and the lending library offer a comfortable environment and a wide collection of books for the educational and cultural needs of undergraduate and postgraduate students.

The new library of the Department of Chemistry at Voutes is housed on the ground floor of the building and its collections pertain not only to the Chemistry department but also to the Materials Science & Technology department. Hard copy and digital materials are also available to order via the library's website, for whose use educational seminars are organized. The complete catalog of the Department of Materials Science and Technology's book collection is available at http://www.materials.uoc.gr/en/general/library/MST_books.pdf.

5. University Publications of Crete (CUP)

The University Publications of Crete were founded in 1985, when the Pancretan Association of America, honoring a large tradition of national offers of expat Hellenism, decided to allocate the annual interest of a capital of $500,000 - formed by voluntary contributions - of its members for the initial financing of the operation of a University Publishing House in accordance with the standards of the corresponding Anglo-Saxon publishing houses. With the joint agreement of the Pancretan Association of America and the Foundation of Research and Technology-Hellas (FORTH), the University Publications of Crete (http://www.cup.gr) operate as an independent non-profit publishing house within the FORTH, which supports their infrastructure and accounting services. The main publishing objectives of CUP are:

1. The creation of a Greek-language scientific literature at the level of established international standards.
2. Publishing support for the scientific research of Greek culture.
3. The dissemination of scientific ideas and scientific culture to the general public (scientific popularization).
4. The scientific study and documentation of our music tradition with disc editions of traditional but also contemporary Greek music.
5. Participation in Greek or international research programs aimed at promoting new educational technologies and related publishing activities (e-book, multimedia etc.).

To finance its publishing activity, CUP relies heavily (about 85%) on their book sales and the rest on their annual financial support from the FORTH and the Pancretan Association of America.

6. Sports

The Office of Physical Education & Sport, supervises the athletic activities at the University of Crete and provides students with the opportunity to learn about different sports and participate in a
variety of sports activities such as: football, basketball, volleyball, tennis, table tennis, sailing, shooting, chess, swimming, track and field, beach volleyball and annual racing (Knossos buildings - Voutes campus buildings). The inauguration of the University Gym at the Voutes Campus further facilitated the engagement of students and staff of the University in sports activities. The University Gym contains a main gym for Basketball, Volleyball and Futsal, 25 meters long and depth ranging from 1 m to 2.5 m with 5 lanes and a diving board, fitness room, changing rooms and administration offices. The indoor gym has a seating capacity of 1,000 spectators.

The University of Crete organizes intramural championships with groups of students from one department or different departments. The games are refereed by accredited local referees and the international sporting regulations apply. It also participates in all Greek National Student Championships (organized by the Higher Education Sport Committee under the auspices of the Ministry of Education), which are take place at the location of the organizing host institution. The successes of the University students and teams are remarkable and translate into individual and team medals. Since 1999, the University has been involved in sports events abroad.

The Office of Physical Education & Sport has also collaborated with various local sports clubs to introduce University students into sports that require specialized equipment and allow them to obtain certifications, such as the Heraklion Sailing Club for the acquisition of an Offshore Diploma, the Nautical Club of Heraklio for rowing, and the Flying Kreta Center for students to get acquainted with Paragliding.

For more information about the University of Crete's sports activities, please contact the bulletin boards or the Office of Physical Education & Sport, phone +302810 393427, fax +302810 393341, Mr. Stelios Zacharioudakis, NDP - Assistant Professor of Physical Education, or send e-mail: unisport@admin.uoc.gr.

7. Student Center

The Student Center of the University of Crete, located in the University of Voutes, Heraklion, started its operation in the academic year 2002-2003. It hosts the intellectual, recreational, social, artistic and union activities for the students of the University of Crete and all members of the academic community, as well as other institutions of education and culture. There is also the Student Welfare Office (Voutes Branch), the Student Advisory Center of the University of Crete in Heraklion, a cafeteria (dining hall), Student Shop and IT Store, as well as the offices and studios of many of its student cultural groups. In addition, it has two multipurpose rooms with a capacity of 60 and 150 people, an amphitheater of about 200 people well-equipped to support events, conferences, theaters, etc., and a canteen. You can find more information at http://www.culture.uoc.gr/.

8. Wellbeing, Inspiration and Recreation

The Heraklion Campus operates various artistic groups that give students - and not only - the opportunity to creatively use their free time, but also to discover their talents. These groups are mainly based on the interest of the students. In their endeavor they find support (financial and ethical) from the Student Associations and the Rector of the University. Below are some of the most active groups below:

- Theater club: The Theatre Club of the University of Crete was founded in 1983 and since 1999 has been operating as a club, under the name "Theatrical Group of the University of Crete". Every year a theatrical play is publicly presented. Some performances go beyond the amateur level and have received critical acclaim. You can find information about the group's activities and distinctions on the team's website (http://www.culture.uoc.gr/pages/?page_id=41). Tel: +302810 394892, +302810 399211, e-mail: theater@edu.uoc.gr.
Cine Club: It often organizes film screenings at University venues and Film Festivals with screenings of World Cinema in Heraklion Central Cinema. Some of its members are amateur filmmakers. More information can be found at: http://www.culture.uoc.gr/pages/?page_id=26, e-mail: cinema_mst@yahoo.com, cinema@materials.uoc.gr, cinema@edu.physics.uoc.gr and phone +302810 394878.

Photography Club: Founded in 1989. Since then it has shown intense activity by organizing photography exhibitions in Heraklion and Rethymnon. At the same time, it has developed cooperation with other student cultural teams (theatrical club, Mitos of Ariadne, etc.). Already, members of the team are also moving out of the University space with solo exhibitions and awards at Panhellenic and world competitions. The main activity is the organization of seminars on photography, which aim to introduce new members to the art and technique of photography and to help communicate and exchange views on the subject. Among other things, the Club has occasionally organized art photography exhibitions by both its members and prominent Greek photographers. In addition, lectures are held every year, in which the members of the Club share their knowledge and views on photography with all interested from inside and outside the academic community, helping to enhance the cultural identity of the city of Heraklion. For more information, please visit: http://www.culture.uoc.gr/pages/?page_id=26, at fopk@edu.uoc.gr and tel: +302810 394895.

Painting Team: The Painting Team of the University of Crete started its first steps in December 1992 and since then has been active in organizing painting exhibitions of its members, both in the university buildings and in exhibition spaces in the city of Heraklion. He also participates in "cultural weeks" of the PK Students' Cultural Association. but also at various cultural events of the University of Crete, the Municipality of Heraklion and other institutions. Those interested in painting or interested in painting can apply at: http://www.culture.uoc.gr/pages/?page_id=47, at e-mail: zopk@edu.uoc.gr or Tel: 2810 394889.

Dance Team: The Dance Team of the University of Crete organizes a series of events in collaboration with other traditional clubs of Heraklion but also participates in Greek National dance competitions - events. Traditional Greek and Latin American dances are taught. Emphasis is given to the Cretan group, while there are dance groups that occasionally perform high quality music and dance events. Choreographers teach free of charge and most of them are also students of the University. "Dance parties" are scheduled at regular intervals inside and outside the University campus for practical training. For more information, call +302810 393656, email: dance@edu.uoc.gr or visit: http://www.culture.uoc.gr/pages/?page_id=4.

Radio Station: In 1998, the design and organization of the operation of the radio station began, combining the creative disposition and originality of young people with the organization and authority of a Higher Education Institution. The purpose of the Radio Station of the University of Crete is to be the voice of the University Community in the area and thus to promote educational, research and cultural activities involving students, teachers and other members of the academic community. The station began beta live broadcasts in 2000, and since 2001 has been broadcasting a comprehensive 24-hour program. It broadcasts throughout the city of Heraklion, as well as in the wider area of the region, 30 km west (Agia Pelagia) and 50 km east (Neapoli). In addition, the station's program is broadcast 24 hours a day online through its website. For more information go to: http://www.radio.uoc.gr/

9. Counseling Center

The Student Counseling Center of the University of Crete has been operating since September 2003, with the aim of providing psychological support to students of all departments of the institution, supporting students with special educational needs, raising awareness and informing the university community about mental health and formulating a more general mental health policy. For more information go to: http://skf.uoc.gr/

CONTACT:

In Heraklion, the Student Counseling Center for Psychological Support is housed on the 1st floor of the Student Center (Psychologists: Teta Diakatou and Rania Kapellakis, tel. +302810-394885).
In Rethymnon, the Student Counseling Center for Psychological Support is housed on the ground floor of a restaurant in the French University Campus, next to the medical office (Secretariat: George Mamalakis, tel. +3028310-77979, +302831077539).

For Heraklion / Rethymnon: Student Advisory Center Support Services for Students with Special Educational Needs, Special Learning Disabilities and Students with Disabilities is (now) supported by Ms Ariana Archontakis and is located at Administration Building II. Disabled ramp access from the east side of the building, in the parking of Physics Department, then access by elevator to the first floor, left, office 207, tel: +302810-394880). Meetings with students in Heraklion and Rethymnon are made only after a telephone appointment, or after a visit to the Counseling Center, Monday through Friday, 09:00 am to 14:00 pm.

10. Literature Library

In the same building with the University Academic Library in Heraklion also operate small lending literature libraries, designed to give students the incentive to expand their interests.

However, a visit to the Vikelia Municipal Library, in the center of Heraklion, offers the opportunity to get in touch with archives of documents, newspapers and magazines. There, among other things, can be found the "Seferi" and "Vikela" libraries, the Venetian and Turkish Archives, as well as thousands of titles of books to read or to borrow.
III. REGULATIONS AND CURRICULUM

1. Curriculum structure and learning outcomes

The curriculum of the Department of Materials Science and Technology consists of core courses, which are compulsory (C), elective compulsory courses (EC, where the student is required to choose from a group of courses) and optional courses (O). The main sections of the program are:

• **Introductory Stage:** During the first three semesters students attend basic introductory courses in Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Materials Science and Computer Science. Their fundamental understanding will provide the necessary background in the basic concepts, as well as the knowledge required to proceed with their studies. At this stage the student is also acquainted with English terminology on materials science.

• **Basic Stage:** During the next three semesters students attend Biology introductory courses, expands their laboratory experience, deepen their knowledge in Basic Materials Science with courses such as Thermodynamics (Classical and Statistical), Solid State Physics and Electromagnetism, and also introduced into basic categories of Materials such as Polymers-Colloids, Electronic Materials, Biomaterials, and Ceramic and Magnetic Materials.

• **Advanced Stage:** The third stage enables students to further specialize in the various categories of Materials and attend a sufficient number of optional courses offered by the Department of Materials Science and Technology or other Departments of the University of Crete. The choice of these courses must be made by the student in a timely manner in order to adapt their studies to their interests and goals. Students are free to select the optional subjects of their choice in order to:
  a. specialize in a particular field aiming in to either enroll in postgraduate courses in Material Science or to pursue a technological career in modern engineering,
  b. enrich their education in various fields of Natural Sciences and thus broaden their career prospects.

The learning outcomes of the Curriculum correspond to the 6th level of the EU classification for educational qualifications.

The weight of each course is stated in units of the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). The six-month workload of a student is the sum of the ECTS units of the courses in which this semester is enrolled. Enrollment is at most eight (8) courses per semester. Students from 5th year (9th semester) will be able to enroll up to ten (10) courses per semester.

Students of the Department of Materials Science and Technology can focus their undergraduate studies in one of the following areas:

- Biomaterials
- Polymers - Colloids
- Electronics - Optoelectronics - Photonics
- Magnetic Materials
- Ceramic Materials
• Nanostructured Materials
• Computational Materials Science

The following table (Table I) summarizes the listed courses and their individual characteristics, namely the semester of study to which each course normally corresponds, its weight in ECTS units, whether it is a core, compulsory or optional course and its prerequisite courses, that is courses containing the knowledge necessary to attend the course.

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Elective Compulsory courses are divided into Elective Compulsory 1 and 2 (EC1 and EC2), from which the student is required to take at least 6 and 18 ECTS points, respectively. The extra units in the EC1 and EC2 courses can be converted into optional courses at the student's request. Up to 10 ECTS units or up to 20 ECTS units (through the ERASMUS+ program) will be given for student internships, as detailed below.

The list of elective courses is indicative. Upon approval of the department's meeting and before the new academic year begins, new courses may be added whenever possible.

Students of the current curriculum, may also chose subjects from the Unified Study Guide (as long as it is still valid) as optional courses provided that the courses they have successfully passed are not the same or equivalent.

Courses in other departments of the University of Crete: Students of the MST can attend courses offered by other departments of the University of Crete. These options are updated and announced every six months by the undergraduate committee, based on the courses offered by the other Departments of the University.

2. Academic advisors

Academic advisors are all faculty members and professors of the Department, based on the PD. 407/80. The task of the advisors is to guide and advise the students of the Department on topics related to their studies (semester course options, assignments, internships, etc.).

3. Course Enrollment

Students are normally enrolled in the semester courses at the enrollment period with dates officially announced by the University of Crete's School of Science and Engineering. Generally, the enrollment period is set during the first four weeks of the semester. Enrollments in the courses that the student selects to attend are performed through StudentsWeb. Students may enroll up to a maximum of eight (8) courses per semester. For students from 5th year (9th semester) can declare up to ten (10) courses per semester.

Students should consult Table I and know if they have the prerequisites for the course they wish to enroll. No change is permitted after the end of the registration period. If any of the courses offered by the students do not meet the relevant requirements (as listed in Table I), enrollment in this course will be considered null and void.

4. Exam periods and regulations

Students are entitled to take exams only during the January and June exam periods and only in the corresponding Autumn or Spring courses in which they are normally enrolled. During the September exams, the students are entitled to take exams on subjects of both semesters provided they are enrolled in the current academic year.

For laboratory lessons, if and under what conditions there will be a final examination, it is decided by the teacher and communicated to the students at the beginning of the lesson. Generally, for all courses, this exam type (eg final exam, mid-term exam, etc.) is announced by the teacher at the beginning of each semester, within two weeks of the first lecture.

While attending the exams, the student also is expected to have a photo ID proof (police ID, student card or other official document with photo ID). ID card should be placed on the desk where the student is taking the test for discreet inspection by supervisors.
5. Obtaining a degree

Requirements for the Graduate Student Announcement: The requirements for obtaining a degree are:

1. Enroll in the Department and attend courses for at least eight (8) semesters.
2. Successful completion of at least 240 ECTS units, of which at least 226 ECTS units from the Department of Materials Science and Technology. Non-Departmental ECTS units are subject to the restrictions set out in Table II below.
3. Success in all compulsory courses of the Department, listed in Table 1, which corresponds to 182 ECTS units (8 ECTS units in English and 174 ECTS units).
4. Successful completion of the student's specialization requirements.

A student is eligible to obtain a diploma based on the requirements of the study regulation applying during the year of the student's first enrollment in the Department of Materials Science and Technology. These requirements for the current study guide are summarized in the Table below.

| Table II: Degree Requirements of the Department of Materials Science and Technology |
|-------------------------------------------------|--|----------------|
| Courses                                         | ECTS | Details |
| Total                                           | ≥240 |          |
| Total in Department of Materials Science and Technology | ≥226 | Table I |
| Obligatory:                                     |      |          |
| Department of Materials Science and Technology (except English Language) | 174  | Table I |
| English Language                                | 8    |          |
| Obligatory Elective: EC1                        | ≥6   | Table I |
| Obligatory Elective: EC2                        | ≥18  | Table I |
| Options:                                        |      |          |
| Department of Materials Science and Technology | ≥20  | Table I |
| Philosophy Studies                              | ≤12  |          |
| Other Departments of the School of Sciences and Technology and the School of Health Sciences | ≤20  |          |
| Practical Training¹                             | ≤15  |          |

¹ Total courses in Philosophy Studies/Other Departments and Practical Exercises may not exceed 30 ECTS credits.

Clarifications: There are two compulsory elective courses (EC1 and EC2) from which the student is required to take at least 6 and 18 ECTS points, respectively. The extra units in the EC1 and EC2 courses can be converted into optional courses at the student's request. Elective courses may also include courses in Philosophy, the School of Health Sciences as well as basic courses in other Departments of the School of Science and Technology. From the courses of the Humanities cycle the upper limit is 12 ECTS units. From the courses of other Departments of the Faculty of Science and Engineering and the School of Health Sciences the maximum allowed level is 20 ECTS.

The Committee of Studies may replace a course of choice of the Department of Materials Science and Technology with a course of another Department.

It is also possible for an undergraduate student to enroll in postgraduate courses of the Department but only after prior agreement and permission from the respective teacher. The course will be decided by the teacher. The ECTS units of the postgraduate courses are included in the total score of the student.
6. Diploma thesis

Students have the option to engage in research work under the guidance of a teacher-advisor, and present the outcome of their work in a dissertation. Students who chose to do so, receive 12 ECTS points. The thesis may be written in Greek or English. The diploma is awarded after a public presentation, followed by an oral examination by a two-member panel of teachers. At least one member of the committee should be a professor in the department, while the other member may come from another department or institution or be a researcher at a recognized research center or a post graduate member of the Department holding a Ph.D. In each case, the members of the committee are appointed by the Department's Diplomatic Officer on the proposal of the supervising professor.

The Graduation Thesis is graded by the Bilateral Committee. The ECTS units from the thesis belong to the ECTS units of TETY.

Publication of a student in a valid international peer-reviewed scientific journal or in proceedings of a standing international peer-reviewed conference is considered equivalent to a special course and gives the student five (5) ECTS units of grade, with no grade. The file is recorded with code 9I1 (where I = 0,1,…, 9) and by name, publication 1. If there is a second publication by the same student, it is recorded with code 9I2 (where I = 0,1 , ..., 9) and by name, publication 2.

7. Degree Grade - Average Progress Indicator - Upgrades

The grade of the degree is uniformly calculated for all AEIs in the country, according to Ministerial Decision F-141 / B3 / 2166 (FEK 308 / 18-6-87, vol. B). According to this decision, the average course scores are calculated using the following weighting factor for each course:

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To calculate the grade of the degree, $\bar{B}$, multiply the score of each course by the weight factor of the course (see Table III) and the sum of the individual product is divided by the sum of the weight factors of all courses:

$$\bar{B} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \omega_i B_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \omega_i}$$

Where $B_i$: overall grade of the degree (where $B_i \geq 5$), $\omega_i$: weight factor according to Table III, and $N$: number of all courses all semesters with $B \geq 5$, which also meet the requirements of Table I.

If a student has collected more than the corresponding minimum required ECTS credits for the degree program, some optional courses may not be taken into account in order to maximize the final grade, provided that the number of ECTS units corresponding to the remaining courses is sufficient to meet the requirements for obtaining the degree.

Average Progress Indicator: In addition to the above grade and the corresponding graduation mark, the "Average Progress Indicator" is defined: It is calculated for each student each October or November following the second exam period, according to the following algorithm:

$$\Pi = \frac{N_{\Delta}}{N_{\omega}} \bar{B}$$
Where $\bar{B}$ is the average score, given by the above formula for the degree grades with $N$ the number of all previous half course (with $B_i \geq 5$, which also satisfy the conditions of Table I), $N_\Delta$ is the total ECTS units He has gathered the students of all the $N$ classes and $N_o$ total of ECTS credits that would have been collected by the student according to the standard curriculum, and which reads as follows:

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<th>After the :</th>
<th>1st year</th>
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<td>No.</td>
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<td>142</td>
<td>208</td>
<td>240</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>360</td>
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On the basis of the above average progress indicator , which is calculated and communicated to students each November, students are ranked in the 'annual success order' each year. The above average grades, progress indicators and success rates (yearly and diploma), can be used as one of the criteria for the award of honors, scholarships (IKY etc.).

**Upgrade / Rating:**

Students who have taken a course in the first exam in the January or June period may also apply for the September exam in the same academic year, after declaring their intention at the Secretariat from 1 to 20 July of each year. In this case, the greater of the two grades of the two periods applies.

**Resit or repeating course to improve grades:**

Students who want to improve their grades in a course that they have already passed can request a resit. Then they must declare the course by submitting a statement to the Secretariat when registering for the new semester. If the student re-enrolls in the same course in the next academic semester, then the last grade will apply, while the previous grade will be deleted automatically with the student's enrollment.

**Add lessons:**

Students have the opportunity to take exams in previous years' courses where they failed and have not selected for the current academic year, provided that they submit to the Secretariat of the Department "Application for Courses" from 1 to 20 July of each year under provided that the course is offered in the current academic year by the department.

8. **Eligibility and Transfer of courses by other HEIs or other Sections of UoC**

For students who are admitted to the Department via any available process (eg transcript with or without exams, or regular entrance exams) and have already successfully attended courses in other Higher Education Institutions (AEI) in the country or abroad (or other Departments of the University of Crete), the following general principles apply for the transfer of these courses, having regard always to the legislation in force:

1. **Courses provided by the curriculum of the Department of Materials Science and Technology of the University of Crete as core or elective courses:**
   - A course from another AEI or other Department of the University of Crete is recognized only when the core curriculum of this course corresponds almost completely to the course material of the TETY, as the curricula show. This correspondence is established by the Committee of Studies. The recognized course takes the ECTS units that have the corresponding TETY course. If the student had passed the course in Greek University, the student retains the grade he / she had in the recognized course and it is written on his / her card. If the student had passed the course in University abroad, then the course is recognized by its grade adjusted to the Greek grading scale.
   - A course that has been attended through recognized inter-university cooperation programs (eg ERASMUS), in which the student participated, will be recognized as a regular course and will receive ECTS credits assigned to it, unless the Committee finds that the material of the new course overlaps with a similar course of the University of Crete for which ECTS units have already been recognized. In this case, the new course will not be recognized.
• If the basic course material is not fully matched, then the student concerned should be consulted with the course instructor in order to determine whether the course is eligible for enrollment. This can be done by any method of evaluating the student's knowledge. The mark obtained while attending the ERASMUS program, is determined by the decision of the Student Council on the basis of student performance.

2. Courses of other Departments of the University of Crete, which the student has already taken before enrolling in MST. The usual procedure is to provide the Student Committee with a certificate of the respective Department of the University of Crete, for the equivalence of the lesson being enrolled. For courses of other Departments of the University of Crete in Pethymnon, the Committee may accept the course without the confirmation of the corresponding Department. The Committee determines the mark and the ECTS units to be attributed in these cases, based on the ECTS units of the courses at the other Universities and the University of Crete.

The acceptance of courses documents are signed by members of the Committee of Studies and the Department Chair. In unclear or doubtful cases that are not covered by the above general principles, the Committee decides in consultation with the President of the Department.

9. Standard Curriculum

Each semester, the student chooses on their own (or after consulting with the teacher's advisor) the courses they want to enroll, provided that the formal requirements are met:

1. It has the prerequisites for this course.
2. It does not exceed the maximum number of courses a student can enroll (8 per semester).
3. This course is offered during the specific semester.

The following tables provide a standard curriculum for the department:

Table III: Standard Basic Curriculum

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<th>1st Semester</th>
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<td>111 General Mathematics I</td>
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<td>114 Computer Science I</td>
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<td>121 General Chemistry</td>
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<td>011 English I</td>
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<td>112 General Mathematics II</td>
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<td>116 Applied Mathematics</td>
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<td>122 Organic Chemistry</td>
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<td>124 Chemistry Laboratory</td>
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<td>012 English II</td>
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<td><strong>Total ECTS</strong></td>
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<td>225 Materials Chemistry Laboratory</td>
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<td>203 Physics Laboratory I: Mechanics - Heat</td>
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<td>232 Biochemistry and Molecular Biology</td>
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<td>243 Materials II: Polymers – Colloids</td>
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The program gives a variety of options, which increase when the student completes the compulsory core courses at the suggested pace (eg according to the standard program). The choices depend on the interests of the student and the capabilities of the University. The Standard Curriculum as given in the tables above is intended to assist the student in the first semesters of their studies. The normal weight of each semester (with normal progress) is about 35 ECTS on average. The standard program defines the compulsory courses as well as the proposed total number of ECTS units for elective courses. It is possible for students, in one semester, to take more or less of the proposed ECTS units for the elective courses.

A course is transformed into a "self study" course when the number of registered or regularly attending n is:

(a) \( n \leq 10 \) for compulsory course

(b) \( n \leq 5 \) for a course of choice

If the course is converted into a self-study, the teacher must immediately inform the Committee of Studies. When the number of exams in the final examination of the course is less than 8 in case (a), or less than 4 in case (b), then the course is considered to be self-study.

### 10. Basic and elective courses

The courses of the Department of Science and Technology of Materials are coded with the letters "ETY" and in three digits. The first digit indicates the level of the lesson and usually corresponds (but not always) to the year in which the lesson is attended (according to Table I). The second digit is often related to the cognitive area of the lesson.

The compulsory courses for obtaining a degree are those specified in the Standard Curriculum - see Tables 9 and Table I. Table I also lists the optional compulsory courses and the TEETY elective courses. The courses of electing other Departments, as already mentioned, are decided every year by the Undergraduate Studies Committee, based on the courses offered by the other Departments.

Due to the interdisciplinary nature of the Department of Materials Science and Technology, a significant number of courses offered by the other Departments of the University of Crete have a significant overlap with corresponding courses of the TETY. Because of this overlap, the courses of the other Departments that are considered equivalent to the courses offered by the TETY are not available for selection by the students. Table IV gives a brief description of these courses.

| 211 | Differential Equations | 6 |
| 260 | Thermodynamics | 6 |
| Total ECTS | 40 |

| 6th Semester |
| 362 | Materials V : Ceramics and Magnetic Materials | 6 |
| 344 | Solid State Materials Laboratory | 8 |
| ΠΡΑ 001 | Practical Exercise | 5 |
| Elective Courses | 15 |
| Total ECTS | 34 |

| 7th Semester |
| Elective Courses or Obligatory Elective | 16 |
| Total ECTS | 16 |

| 8th Semester |
| Elective Courses or Obligatory Elective | 16 |
| Total ECTS | 16 |
### Biology Department

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<td>CRYSTALLOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS OF BIOLOGICAL MACROMOLECULES</td>
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<td>KE-MODERN MICROSCOPY</td>
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<td>SCIENTIST CITIZEN (PROFESSIONAL ETHICS)</td>
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<td>ΦΥΣ-202</td>
<td>INTRODUCTION TO CONTEMPORARY PHYSICS II</td>
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By the end of the 4th semester, students have the opportunity to work, preferably during summer vacations, in Greek and international organizations and companies in the public and private sector in activities relevant to the Department. These internships aim for the participant to gain experience, expand the knowledge and specialize in subjects related to materials and materials’ technological applications. They also give the opportunity to adapt and function within a professional environment and to develop the ability of working as a member of a team. The Department offers two free elective courses entitled Practice I (PR-001) and Practice II (PR-002), which they last 2 months per subject and they are full time occupation. To participate in an internship program, a detailed report describing the student's education, the employment program and its duration is prepared by the student and the institution offering the position and it is submitted for approval to the Study Committee. Based on the report the Study Committee judges the importance of the program in ECTS (up to 5 ECTS points per period). Upon completion of the course, the student submits an 'activity report', which is evaluated by the Student Committee and decides whether or not to approve the ECTS units decided upon at the time.
of approval of the program. This way students can be awarded a total of up to 10 ECTS units to meet the requirements of the Graduate Program. Practical ECTS, registered as an elective course.

Students have also the option to participate in internships programs abroad, in Universities or Research Centers and Institutions in the context of ERASMUS+ program. In that case they may be awarded up to 15 ECTS for two months internships and up to 20 ECTS for three months internship. Out of these credits 10 and 15 respectively are taken into account for the requirements of the Graduate Program, while the rest are listed in the Diploma appendix. In any case, ECTS credits from internship for the requirements of the Graduation Program cannot exceed the total of 15 units.

The maximum number of students who can apply is determined annually by the funding provided for the program. The student selection and ranking criterion is the Individual Progress Index. In the case of even scores, eligible is considered the student with the higher number of registered ECTS units.

To be considered complete, the Internship Application must include: a) Application Form provided by the students administration office and completed by the student; b) Detailed Scoreboard. The deadline for application submission is announced each year by the Department. Applications are collected by the Secretariat of the Department.

Students are selected by the Department's Internship Committee and endorsed by the Department's Undergraduate Studies Committee. The results of the selection are made known to the students in the Secretariat announcement board and by email. Objections to the selection process can be submitted up to 5 working days after the announcement of the results. Complaints are examined by the Practice Appeals Committee.

Enrollment of the course is accompanied by a grade obtained by taking into account the student's assessment by the institution providing the Internship position, a report written and delivered after they complete the Internship and the oral examination of the student upon completion of the Internship by a member of the department assigned by the Internship Committee.

Detailed information on the process that a student must follow in order to complete an Internship can be found in the Internship Guide, at the course web site. Any updates in the Internship Guide have to be endorsed by the Undergraduate Studies Committee of the Department.

Supervision of the Practice is carried out by the Practitioner scientifically appointed by the General Assembly of the Department.

12. Lab Classes

The completion of lab classes there may also require taking a final examination. This is decided by the teacher and communicated to the students at the beginning of the lesson. For any lab courses offered in both semesters, failure results to a complete repetition of the lab. Exceptions to this rule may be made after recommendation of the teacher and the decision of the Committee on Studies.

Students wishing to attend the Chemistry Laboratory (ETY 214), the Materials Chemistry Laboratory (ETY-225), the Soft Matter Laboratory (ETY-343) and Solid State Material Laboratory must have attended the department's safety seminar. The seminar takes place every year at the beginning of the spring semester.

Students in labs are preferably participating in groups of two per experiment. The laboratory instructor decides whether the processing and analysis of the measurements and its presentation in the laboratory exercise report will be done by each student individually or collectively by the group.

Each student is required to maintain a personal laboratory notebook (standard numbered pages). This booklet shall contain all information on the preparation and execution of the experiment, the date of the experiment, the measurements, the various calculations, the schematic layout or the electrical circuits and any additional information on the experiment and the instruments. are given by the teacher and the assistants. This material is not written for the main purpose of presenting it to the teacher or assistants, but to serve as an exclusive source for the laboratory reference data, by the student himself, even if the report is compiled much later after the experiment has been carried out, such as e.g. at the end of the semester possible examinations of the laboratory course. All recordings in
the laboratory notebook must be made during each exercise. At the end of each exercise and before the student leaves, the instructor signs the last recording and checks the content of the notebook. Missing data will be proof of student's non-participation in the respective exercise. A citation or measurement that does not appear in the notes of each student's lab notebook is not accepted. The student should be prepared to perform the exercise before coming to the lab.

This preparation includes:

- The study of the subject of the experiment from the corresponding course books, laboratory guide and related literature.
- Keeping notes in the laboratory notebook so that information on the units, physical constants and formulas required are readily available at the time of the experiment.
- The design in the laboratory notebook of the experimental devices and setup

Laboratory reports should include:

- A very brief introduction (typically 200 to 300 words) for the purpose of the experiment and a summary of the related theory.
- A diagram of the experimental setup with brief comments, if needed, on the process of the experiment and the conditions under which the measurements were made.
- The formulas that are needed to perform and analyze the experiment.
- Tables with experimental results and their analysis as well as measurement errors, when requested.
- All graphs required to analyze the data and present the results.
- Brief conclusions and comments.

The guidelines vary, to some extent, with the specific subject of each lab. There are typical sample reports for each laboratory.

The report, as well as the personal notebook, consist evidence of attendance for the student. Students who have more than one unjustified absence are required to enroll in the lab the following year or semester.

13. Student selection criteria in laboratories

Due to the increasing number of admissions to the Department and the limited laboratory facilities of the TETY that allow for the correct and safe education of a finite number of students per semester, selection criteria for the attendance of the lab classes are adopted, if necessary.

These criteria as well as the maximum number of students in each laboratory (called the maximum laboratory capacity) are described below:

Abbreviations:

- Maximum laboratory capacity: MW
- Chemistry Lab: EX
- Physics Laboratory I - Mechanical / Thermodynamics: EPI
- Physics Lab II - Electromotor / Optics: EPI
- Laboratory of Materials Chemistry: LXI
- Soft Matter Laboratory: PCM
- Solid State Materials Laboratory: NSS

Criteria for selecting students to attend a lab class (in case those who have passed the prerequisites exceed MU). Selection will be made by filling the following criteria in the order listed, until the MS is completed:
• Students attending the workshop for the first time in the YEAR taught (i.e. successfully following the department's curriculum)
• Students attending the lab for the first or second time (provided they were below the base of the written laboratory part - first-time reports) and are in the LAST SEMESTER BEFORE being expelled as required by law. A student who wishes to attend for the third time or who has a low BUT above the base mark in the pure laboratory part (references) does not fall under this criterion.
• Students attending the workshop one year later than the year recommended in the curriculum
• Students who are in the year of study before the year of deletion as required by law.
• Students attending the workshop in the following YEAR from the one recommended in the curriculum

In the SPECIAL case where students who meet criteria 1 and 2 exceed the maximum capacity then they will be given the opportunity to attend labs and supernumeraries. This will be done by increasing the number of students per group or the number of classes per week following the decision of the teachers of each course. If students who fall within the last of the above criteria which meet the MA of the laboratory exceed the maximum capacity then they will be selected on the basis of the progress indicator.

Laboratory Maximum Capacity (ML)

LX lab is DEFINED by the maximum number
• segments per week,
• laboratory weeks specifying the number of groups per segment and
• students per group

Based on the correct and safe education of students and given the maximum capacity imposed by labs during the 13 teaching weeks per semester.

The following maximum capacities are provided:
1. EX, EPI and EPI: 3 laboratory sections per week.
2. LFS, LFS and NFS: 2 laboratory sections per week.

Consequently, we have:

Maximum Capacity (ML) = number of courses x number of weeks available x 3 students per group

1. Maximum EX capacity: 96 students
3. Maximum capacity of LCI, LCI and NSI: 60 students.

14. Foreign language

Today, more than ever, within a united Europe with all the new prospects that appear in the education and the job market (e.g. international student exchange programs such as ERASMUS etc.), speaking a foreign language, especially English, is becoming necessary.

In the Department of Materials Science and Technology of the University of Crete, for obtaining a degree the student is required to successfully complete 2 semesters of English for which they will receive a total of 8 ECTS points. The main purpose of the two semesters of English is to teach students basic science terminology, as well as to prepare them for the study of scientific texts and books of their specialty.

15. Adequacy in Computer Use (PC)

Proof of computer handling knowledge (Certificate of Computer Proficiency) is given if the student is successfully tested in the ETY-114 PC I Course and in at least three of the following courses:
ETY - 113 PC 0
ETY - 204 Physics Lab II: Electricity - Optics
ETY - 213 PC II
ETY - 215 Advanced Programming I.
ETY - 343 Soft Matter Laboratory
ETY - 344 Solid State Materials Laboratory
ETY - 410 Computer Measurement and Control Systems Automation
ETY - 440 Construction and Engineering Work
ETY - 447 Computational Materials Science I.
ETY - 512 Computational Material Science II

16. Educational Qualification - Teaching Eligibility

Detailed information is provided in the following link:

http://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/syllabus/ppde.pdf

17. Consideration of applications by the Committee on Studies

With respect to matters relating to the regulation of undergraduate studies, students who have gathered at least 180 ECTS (credits) can send requests to the Undergraduate Study Committee along with their transcript. The Curriculum Committee will accept and review all applications for the syllabus and courses included at the beginning of each semester and at least one week before the courses begin.

For any other request that does not fall under the above provision, students are advised to contact their Teaching Advisor who, if appropriate, may forward it to the Undergraduate Studies Committee for examination.
IV. ANALYTICAL DESCRIPTION OF COURSES

011 English I

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 4

Prerequisite Courses: -

1st Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY011/

Learning Outcomes

The main objective of the English for Materials science 1 is to learn scientific terminology but also academic skills pertaining to formality, caution, legitimate paraphrasing, writing citations and synthesizing sources, critical writing, essay writing (with documented evidence), peer-feedback and academic presentations.

Syllabus

Introduction to Formality and Academic style. Students notice formality, citations and reference conventions and following a model text, produce their own. Reference and citation guides are provided for guidance. Students are asked to send an email to their instructor taking into account issues of politeness and formality.

Week 2 Students will read a text about Types of Materials and learn how to transfer information from text to slides. Listening practice: Students will practice different note-taking styles. Students will practice giving presentations using opening phrases and signposting language.

Week 3 Students will be using google docs to complete tasks collaboratively about different types of Metals and their properties. Students will be reading an article on the FUTURE of metals in order to identify topic sentences, support sentences and concluding sentences in paragraphs. Then, they will produce their own paragraph following prompts.

Week 4 Students will read an article and listen to a video about the scientific method and answer a quiz. They will look at statistical data, graphs and charts and learn how to write a report using appropriate linking words and terminology to express upward or downward trends, ratios, averages and numbers. Students will use information to produce a variety of visuals: mind-maps, diagrams, word tables or schemes.

Week 5 Students will watch a video about bio printing and then will compare different types of writing on the same topic “Bio-printing (2019)”. They will be asked to notice the structure, the language and some conventions of a scientific article about Graphene, a relevant blog post on Graphene and a school textbook entry.
Week 6  Students will have a workshop on “How to give effective presentations” and a model presentation on “bio-printing” given by senior students whose presentations were deemed to be one of the best ones the year before. Students will be provided with criteria for peer-evaluation to complete during the student presentation and then discuss the student presentation strengths and weaknesses with the teacher and the presenters. Kindly note that attendance is compulsory for all.

Week 7  Students will classify and identify properties of solids, liquids and gases (using the English for Chemistry EAP textbook, Unit 1) Reading and Listening tasks. Students will be asked to notice and use legitimate paraphrasing strategies in order to produce a paragraph with citations and references.

Week 8  Students will be listening and reading a variety of listening and reading sources about Ceramics and advanced Ceramics in order to include all information elements, reminder phrases and references required for Summary writing. Language focus Passive voice.

Week 9  Students will be introduced to essay writing (argumentative essay, counterarguments) making a distinction between descriptive, evaluative, cautious and biased language. Reading and Listening Practice on the topic of Composites. Students will be practicing answering mock exam reading comprehension questions and tasks.

Week 10 Following a listening and a reading on Polymers (from the book English for Chemistry EAP Unit 11) students will be asked to make a mind map connecting properties of of Polymers such as thermosetting, thermoplastic, linear, branched, cross-linked, fibers, plastics and elastomers, solubility and rigidity. Language focus: Gerund and infinitive  Students will be re-writing sentences avoiding wordiness.

Weeks 11 and 12 Student Presentations (Slides need to be in pptx or pdf format and student need to bring their file in a usb stick)

Bibliography

  https://www.disigma.gr/english-for-chemistry-eap.html

012. English II

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Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 4

Prerequisite Courses: -

2nd Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY012/


Learning Outcomes

The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the lesson are the following:

The course is intended to teach students English terminology on subjects of materials science and general science and scientific approach and cooperation.

It is expected that after the successful completion of the course and completion of the specified assessment, individual work, individual presentation and group work required by the students, they will be able to:

- Seek, recall and work with relative ease with texts that contain terminology related to their specialty and subject matter.
Create various types of well-structured materials science texts and research communication documents with differentiated goals and practices.

Easily read and understand scientific papers and communications related to their subject matter.

Evaluate sample writing in English, and provide documentation services related to their subject matter.

Describe in English the research results or research and experimental processes to participants and public bodies with a view to seeking international funding.

Draw conclusions from data they find in sources in English regarding their subject matter.

Have fluency in writing, spoken interaction, listening, written comprehension, and productive speech at a level equal to or greater than the B2+ of the Common European Framework of Reference of the Council of Europe in terms of their subject matter.

Syllabus

The class goal is to act as a continuation of the hands-on introduction to English academic texts and terminology related to Materials Science. Major topics covered: Matter and materials structure, molecular physics, polymers, modern materials science applications and scientific method, and research documentation. Further aid is offered for the familiarization with authentic, subject specific texts and vocabulary. Development of reading skills and techniques. Additional writing skills to be developed: Introduction to EuroCVs, introduction to hands-on use of research databases and electronic resources in English.

The course is taught solely in English and has the following structure:

- Nine lectures covering the main topics outlined in the class goals, supplemented by relevant texts, multimedia and exercises.
- During this course, a combination of teaching practices is used which aim to optimize the participation and learning of the participating students. Thus, in parallel with a multimedia-enhanced presentation of the themes of each lecture in English, a form of continuous assessment is carried out through a series of graded

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101. General Physics I

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Teaching Hours: 4-2-1, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses:

1st Semester

http://theory.materials.uoc.gr/courses/gfi/

Learning Outcomes

This course is essentially a resumption of high school classical mechanics albeit at a higher
mathematics level. The learning goals that should be achieved by the end of the course are:

- Students acquire critical thinking and the ability to develop physical models and solve problems.
- Students get accustomed to the mathematical formulation of the laws of physics: for this purpose, calculus and very simple differential equations are used.
- Students should acquire the relevant background and skills for understanding materials physics in the more advanced theoretical and laboratory courses that follow.

Syllabus

1. Physics in Materials Science, structure of matter and physical models, classical and modern Physics, Classical Mechanics
2. Introduction, fundamental and derived quantities, units, dimensional analysis, order-of-magnitude calculations, significant figures
3. Kinematics, motion in one dimension, position, displacement, average and instantaneous velocity, constant velocity motion, average and instantaneous acceleration, motion with constant acceleration, free fall, kinematic equations derived from calculus
4. Motion in three dimensions, position, velocity, acceleration vectors, motion in two dimensions with constant acceleration, projectile motion, curved orbit motion, tangential and radial acceleration, uniform circular motion, relative velocity and acceleration
5. The concept of force, Newton’s 1st law and inertial frames, Newton’s 2nd law, gravitational force and weight, Newton’s 3rd law
6. Applications of Newton’s laws, forces of friction, circular motion, motion in accelerated frames, motion in the presence of resistive forces
7. Energy of a system, work done by constant force, work of varying force, kinetic energy and the work-kinetic energy theorem, potential energy of a system, conservative and non-conservative forces, relationship between conservative forces and potential energy, energy diagrams and equilibrium of a system.
8. Isolated and non-isolated systems, conservation of energy, changes in mechanical energy for non-conservative forces, power
9. Linear momentum, isolated and non-isolated systems, momentum conservation, impulse of a force, impulse-momentum theorem, elastic and inelastic collision, perfectly inelastic (plastic) collision, collision in two dimensions, center of mass of a system of particles and of an extended object, physical significance and usefulness of the center of mass, deformable systems, rocket propulsion
10. Rotation of a rigid object about a fixed axis, angular position, velocity, acceleration, quantities of rotational and translational motion, rotational kinetic energy, calculation of moments of inertia, torque, relationship between torque and angular acceleration, energy in rotational motion, rolling motion of a rigid object
11. Angular momentum of a rotating particle and of a system of particles, non-isolated system, angular momentum of a rigid object, isolated system and angular momentum conservation
12. Static equilibrium and elasticity, elastic properties of solids
13. Oscillatory motion, harmonic oscillator, damped and forced oscillations

Bibliography

102. General Physics II

O

Teaching Hours: 4-2-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

2nd Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY102/

Learning Outcomes

The course covers the physics of electricity, magnetism and optics, using mathematics on an advanced level compared to the corresponding requirements in secondary education. The course learning outcomes are:

- Understanding basic physics laws and concepts in the fields of electricity, magnetism and optics.
- Employing the acquired knowledge to analyze and solve respective physics problems with the use of calculus and simple differential equations.
- Acquisition of the basic background required to follow courses on electromagnetism (ETY-301) and optics (ETY-302) on an advanced undergraduate level.

Syllabus

- Electric field, Coulomb’s law, Gauss law.
- Electric potential
- Capacitors, dielectrics, current and resistance.
- DC circuits, magnetic fields
- Sources of magnetic field, Biot-Savart law, Ampere’s law.
- Faraday’s law, electromagnetic induction, solenoids
- AC circuits
- Nature of light
- Geometrical optics, reflection, refraction
- Interference

Bibliography

111. General Mathematics I

O

Teaching Hours: 4-2-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

1st Semester

https://elearn.uoc.gr/login/index.php

Learning Outcomes

• Compute limits of sequences, series and functions.
• Compute derivative of functions using proper theorems and methods.
• Use derivatives to find max/min values of functions and solve Initial value problems (IVP).
• Find Taylor series of simple functions and use them to approximate values of functions
• Compute define and indefinite integrals.
• Use integrals to solve problems from physical sciences and engineering.

Syllabus

• Sequences, limits of sequences, properties.
• Functions, elementary functions, limits of functions, properties.
• Continuity. The maximum value theorem. The intermediate value theorem.
• The derivative of a function, properties. Chain rule, inverse function rule. The theorems of Fermat and Rolle, the mean value theorem. Higher derivatives. Graphing using first and second derivatives. L'Hôpital's rule.
• Applications of derivatives. Initial value problems (IVP). Taylor series.
• Definite integrals, properties, examples.
• Indefinite integrals, the fundamental theorem of calculus. Integration techniques. Applications in computing areas, volumes, etc. Improper integrals.
• Applications of integrals.

Bibliography

112. General Mathematics II

O

Teaching Hours: 4-2-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

2nd Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY112/

Learning Outcomes

The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the lesson are the following:
Familiarization with vector algebra and differential and integral calculus especially in two and three but also in higher dimensions, with an eye to applications in problems of classical physics

Syllabus

Summary of topics to be covered in the course:

- Vector algebra, operations and geometry in two, three or higher dimensions. Linear transformations and matrices. Determinants.
- Parametric curves. Line integrals.
- Multiple integrals. Change of variables in multiple integration.
- Parametric surfaces. Surface integrals.
- Integral theorems of vector calculus (Green's, Stokes' and Gauss' s theorems).
- Improper integrals in one or more dimensions.
- Applications to mechanics and electromagnetism

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114. Computers I: Introduction to Programming

O

Teaching Hours: 2-0-3, ECTS: 6
Prerequisite Courses: -

1st Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY114/

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be familiar with the basic concepts of structured programming and will be able to develop and implement simple algorithms in Fortran. The students will have acquired the necessary knowledge and experience to tackle the computational problems they will face in their studies and beyond.

Syllabus

- Intrinsic numerical functions and subroutines.
- Control statements (IF, SELECT CASE). Comparison operators. Logical operators. Loop constructs (DO) and associate statements (CYCLE, EXIT).
- Arrays, static and dynamic (ALLOCATE, DEALLOCATE). Elemental operators and intrinsic functions.
- Functions - Subroutines.
- Derived types – MODULE.
- Algorithms for sorting and searching

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116. Applied Mathematics

O

Teaching Hours: 3-2-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

2nd Semester


Learning Outcomes

The course is an introduction to four disciplines of Mathematics which are considered essential for the study and understanding of Material Science: Complex Analysis, Linear Algebra, Fourier Analysis, Probability Theory.

The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the course are:

- Knowledge and understanding of all concepts developed in the course (knowledge+understanding+analysis)
- Ability to utilize and use the concepts and mathematical "tools" introduced in the course to solve
Materials Science problems (composition+application)

- Ability to independently explore more complex Mathematics topics (related to the four mathematics disciplines introduced in the course) that may be required to study specific Materials Science topics.

Syllabus

A. Complex analysis
   Complex numbers, complex functions, complex function derivation, complex function integration, complex series (Taylor and Laurent), Gamma function

B. Linear Algebra (Vectors, Matrices)
   Vector spaces and vectors, operators and matrices, linear systems of equations eigenvalue problems for matrices

C. Fourier analysis
   Fourier series, Fourier transforms, Dirac Delta function

D. Probability Theory
   The concept of probability, permutations and combinations, random variables and probability distributions, expected value, variance

Bibliography

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121. General Chemistry

O

Teaching Hours: 4-2-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

1st Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY121/
Learning Outcomes

General Chemistry is a course that deals with the fundamental concepts of chemistry. The course’s goal is to introduce the Materials Science and Technology (MST) first-year students to the properties of chemical substances focusing on the chemical aspects of Materials’ Science. Upon completion of the course, the students will be able to understand concepts such as:

- Basic Chemistry knowledge
- Atomic and molecular structure of Matter
- States of Matter and Solutions
- Chemical Reactions and Chemical equilibria

Syllabus

- Basic Chemistry knowledge: Measuring units, Balancing of chemical reactions
- Atomic and molecular structure of Matter: The structure of the atom, atomic orbitals, Periodic Table and the periodic properties of elements, Chemical bond and bond theories, Molecular geometry, Molecular orbitals
- Chemical Reactions and Chemical equilibria: Mechanism of chemical reactions, order of reaction, Chemical equilibrium, LeChatelier principle, Acid-base equilibrium, acid-base classification, common-ion effect

Bibliography


122. Organic Chemistry

Teaching Hours: 4-2-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

2nd Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY122/
https://122organicchemistry.wordpress.com/

Learning Outcomes

The organic chemistry course is an introductory course designed to provide basic organic chemistry knowledge necessary to understand and comply to other undergraduate general background courses such as chemistry of materials, polymer chemistry, biochemistry and biomaterials.

Upon successful completion of this course the students will be able to:
• Understand and draw the structure of widely used organic compounds and entities,
• Recognize and name the different classes of organic compounds and identify their properties,
• Know and understand all basic organic chemistry principles such as the nature of chemical bonds, isomerism, stereochemistry, chemical reactions and (curly arrow) mechanisms.
• Correlate the structure of an organic compound with physical properties (such as relative boiling point, melting point, solubility),
• Understand basic organic reaction mechanisms and use them to comprehend, design and synthesize new materials,
• To meet the needs of laboratory courses (general background and specialized courses) involving synthesis of organic compounds,
• To work in multidisciplinary environments requiring basic organic chemistry understanding (within the framework of a diploma thesis or Erasmus).

Syllabus


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124. Chemistry Laboratory Course

O

Teaching Hours: 2-0-4, ECTS: 8

Prerequisite Courses: 121

2nd Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY124/

Learning Outcomes

Getting familiar the students with experimental practice and how to compile with some crucial rules during the experimental procedure

Theoretical and practical education of the students to basic techniques regarding chemical analysis and the use of chemical instruments and glassware

Getting ready the students for the teaching of the nest and more advanced laboratory courses of the Department

Syllabus
• Basic Laboratory Techniques
• Chemical equilibrium -, Weak electrolyte ionizations (salt hydrolysis, buffer solutions, indicators)
• Pehametric titration (equivalent point, determination of the constant of a weak acid)
• Titration analysis (acid-base, complexes, Iodometry),
• Photospectroscopy,
• Characteristic reactions and systematic semi-quantitative analysis of cations and anions.
• Chromatography (Thins Layer Chromatography (TLC))
• Gravimetric analysis methods

Bibliography

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141. Materials I: Introduction to Materials Science

O

Teaching Hours: 3-1-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

1st Semester

http://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY141

Learning Outcomes

• Foundation of knowledge though an interdisciplinary approach that combines Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics for understanding the properties of materials.
• Understanding of the principles that correlate macroscopic properties of materials with different levels of material structure (atoms, bonds, crystal lattice)
• Understanding the basic principles of experimental methods for the analysis of the structure and composition of matter
• Application of realistic basic design strategies and materials selection schemes though realistic design problems of materials design

Syllabus

• Introduction
• Categories of Materials-Applications-Examples

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Metals, Ceramics, Polymers, Composite Materials

• **Atomic Structure**
  Structure and constituents of atoms, Fundamentals of Quantum Mechanics, Quantum mechanical description of atoms

• **Bonds**
  Forces between atoms, Potential, Ionic bonds, Ionization potential, Electron Affinity, Covalent bonds, Metallic bonds, Secondary Bonds, Wan der Waals bonds, Hydrogen bonds

• **Structure**
  Crystalline, amorphous materials, Unit cell, Atomic Packing Factor (APF), Metallic crystals, (FCC), (BCC), (HCP), Ionic solids, Covalent solids, Crystal Lattice, Crystal systems, Crystallographic directions, Crystallographic planes, Structural analysis techniques, X-ray Diffraction (XRD)

• **Mechanical Properties**
  Deformation, Mechanical Stress, Elastic behavior, Plastic behavior, Tensile strength, Ductility, Resilience, Toughness, Hardness.

• **Thermal Properties**
  Heat Capacity, Phonons, Thermal Expansion, Thermal conductivity, Thermal stress-resistance to thermal shock

• **Electrical Properties**
  Ohm’s law, electrical conductivity, Electrical properties at the atomic scale, Energy bands, Fermi energy, Carrier mobility and conductivity, Electrical properties of metals, Semiconductors, Ionic ceramics, Electrical properties of polymers, Conductive polymers

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201. Modern Physics: Introduction to Quantum Mechanics

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Teaching Hours: 3-2-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

3rd Semester


**Learning Outcomes**

The course is an introduction to Quantum Mechanics and its applications to simple, basic systems, essential for the study and understanding of the structure of matter.

The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the course are:

- Knowledge, understanding and ability to use all the concepts developed within the course
(knowledge + understanding + analysis)

- Ability to utilize and exploit the concepts developed in the course and the knowledge gained for the study and interpretation of the behaviour of more complex systems, but fundamental to Materials Science, such as complex atoms, molecules and their spectra, magnetic materials, matter-radiation interaction etc. (composition + application)
- Ability to independently study more complex and advanced topics of Quantum Mechanics (compared to the ones introduced in the course) which may be required for the study of specific Materials Science topics.

Syllabus

A) The crisis of Classical Physics and the Old Quantum Theory:

- The wave-particle duality for light: black body radiation, photoelectric effect, Compton effect, the particle-like nature of light
- The wave-particle duality for matter: atomic spectra, Bohr's theory, matter-waves (de Broglie waves). The position-momentum uncertainty principle, its interpretation and its consequences (atomic stability, order of magnitude of atomic and nuclear energies, etc.)

B) Introduction to Modern Quantum Mechanics:

- Quantum mechanics in one dimension: Schrödinger equation in one dimension, wave function and its statistical interpretation. Simple one-dimensional quantum mechanical systems and quantization of energy: the infinite square well, the finite square well (qualitative study), the harmonic oscillator, the step-function potential, the rectangular barrier potential and the tunneling effect.

C) Quantum Mechanics in more complex systems (briefly and mainly qualitatively):

- Molecules: The basic theory of chemical bonding; simple molecules (H2, H2O). The phenomenon of hybridization. Rotation and oscillation of diatomic molecules; molecular spectra.

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202. Modern Physics II: Matter and Light

OE1

Teaching Hours: 3-1-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 201, 116

4th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY202/

Learning Outcomes

A course of applied quantum mechanics with emphasis on the properties of matter as well as the interaction of matter with light. In the first part with study the quantum mechanics formalism, the theory and some basic applications. In the second part, we introduce the theoretical framework to study the interaction of light with matter.

Syllabus

- Dirac formalism, Harmonic oscillator, Angular momentum, Spin, synthesis of spins.
- Atoms, solids, band structure

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203. Physics Laboratory I

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Teaching Hours: 0-0-3, ECTS: 8

Prerequisite Courses: 101

3rd Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY203/

Learning Outcomes
After successfully completing the course, the students:

- Through the experiments the students acquire a better understanding of basic laws of physics (knowledge).
- Are able to use, on a basic level, specialized measurement instruments such as laser, photogates and Computer Assisted Measurements. (skill)
- Are able, starting from experimental data, to provide a report analysing and presenting the results. (competence)
- Can assess the quality and the reliability of experimental data. (competence).

**Syllabus**

Educational quantitative experiments on simple physics phenomena.

Includes linear and rotational motion, oscillations, circular motion, simple and compound pendulum, heating and phase-change. The students perform verificatory experiments for basic laws of physics: Newton's laws of motion, Hook's law on elasticity, basic laws of calorimetry.

In the experiments are used basic and more specialized instruments and techniques for the measurements of physical quantities. Thermometer, Stopwatch, Vernier Caliper, Micrometer Caliper, laser, photogate, computer assisted measurements.

The experimental process is followed by basic data processing and analysis: average value, standard deviation, linear least square regression, error in measured and calculated quantities.

Finally, the experimental procedure and the results are summarised in a report which is written by a group of students (usually triad).

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204. Physics Laboratory II: Electromagnetism - Optics

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Teaching Hours: 0-0-3, ECTS: 8

Prerequisite Courses: 102

4th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY204

**Learning Outcomes**

A) The knowledge which the students will acquire upon successful completion of the course comprises:

- the basic laws governing physical phenomena and physical processes in particular fields of Electricity, Magnetism and Optics as described in the Syllabus Section
• the concepts of experimental measurement, absolute and relative experimental errors and their sources, and how to present results with meaningful significant digits
• the construction of correct two dimensional graphical representations of the evolution of two physical quantities with each other

B] The skills which the students will acquire upon successful completion of the course are:
• understanding of a physical problem related to Electromagnetism or Optics, especially one that needs an experimental approach in order to be solved and finding the correct methodology necessary for answering to the specific problem
• choosing the right instruments or modules for the implementation of an experimental setup, making correct interconnections between them with/or without the aid of a control computer, finding the useful range of instrument/module functionality for each specific experimental need
• conducting experimental measurements, in-situ assessing of their reliability based on known physical laws and expectations
• analyzing experimental data. This includes calculations of the values of experimental quantities and of their expected errors as a measure of trust on these values. Analysis includes the ability i) to perform correct graphical representations that reveal, upon sight, the relationship between two physical quantities and ii) to find the mathematical description of this relationship using the least-squares fit formalism
• writing laboratory reports that include i) title and purpose of conducting each experiment, ii) summary of the methodology, instrumentation, setup, and theoretical physical background to be used in order to achieve the goals of the experiment, iii) comprehensive presentation of experimental procedure and experimental data iv) analysis of the experimental data, formally presenting the corresponding calculations and results on the needed experimental values.
• assessment of the experimental results by i) verifying (or not) expected physical laws, quantities or constants within the range of trust imposed by experimental error ii) commenting on the experiment-dependent true sources of error and iii) proposing ways to remedy or bypass these errors in future attempts to run the same experiments, as a way to improve the accuracy of the experimental values

The students also learn how to use a computer in writing experimental reports and in order to construct graphs and analyze experimental data through the use of corresponding spreadsheet preparation and editing software

C] The competences which the students will acquire upon successful completion of the course are:
• the ability to design the proper experimental procedure for addressing physical problems based on known physical laws
• the ability to cooperate with other people, as part of a team, in designing and implementing the above mentioned procedure, in collecting and analyzing experimental data, in assessing experimental results and in writing experimental reports
• the ability to recognize in-vivo and correct or bypass errors or even modify certain steps throughout the process of implementation of an experimental task in order to reach to the answer the safest and most unambiguous way.

Syllabus

Introduction I: Theory of experimental measurement and error
Introduction II: Construction of 2D diagrams and the Least-Square Fit Method

Laboratory Exercises from Electricity and Magnetism
H1. Construction and operation of DC electrical circuits, Ohm's law, Kirchhoff's rules, simple electrical measurements
H2. Construction and operation of AC electrical circuits, RLC combination, using the Oscilloscope, study of resonance
H3. Electrolytic dissociation and Faraday's laws in Copper Sulfate and dilute Sulfuric acid aqueous solutions.
H4. Ampere's law and magnetic field in solenoids
H5. Gauss law, electric field and force between the parallel plates of an plane capacitor.

Optics Laboratory Exercises

O1. Linear Optics and rules governing the functionality of thin lenses and their combinations.
O3. Wave optics phenomena: Fraunhoffer diffraction and Interference

Bibliography

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- Especially for the Electrolytic Dissociation experiment related chapters from the following books are suggested:
  ii) Petros P. Karagianides "Inorganic Chemistry", Zitis Publications, 2016 (in Greek only)

205. Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Intellectual Property

E

Teaching Hours: 4-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

7th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY205/

Learning Outcomes

The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the lesson are the following:

- Learn how the science of economics “sees” the effects of technological change and the birth of innovations.
• Learn how technological change, open & proprietary technologies, as well as standardization affect the economic model, economic growth and employment.
• Understand how intellectual property and its management create or destroy innovation.
• Learn the different kinds of intellectual property, as well as the basics filing and protection procedures.

Syllabus

• The phases of innovation and its evolution mechanisms,
• The effects of diffusion and substitution of innovations and product life-cycle
• Innovation and standardization
• Measuring innovation in economics, academia and firms
• Microeconomic and macroeconomic effects of innovation and intellectual property
• Patents, trademarks, copyright, software, open source technologies, international treaties, filing procedures
• Familiarization with the national filing procedures
• Patent searches and the motivation of the research activity
• Intellectual property as business tool
• Lectures of specialists in intellectual property

Bibliography

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207. Exploitation of Research Output and Entrepreneurship

E

Teaching Hours: 4-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY207

Learning Outcomes

• Understand how knowledge is born, matures and diffuses
• Learn how intellectual property policy shapes the research process
• Get familiar with the research and innovation policies in Greece and in the EU
• Understand in practice how the academic institutions transfer the technology in the market, either under the form of spin-offs or through licensing.

Syllabus

• The research process and the birth of knowledge,
• The global process of knowledge diffusion,
• Technology maturity and the dilemma of technology protection,
• Knowledge and intellectual property diffusion through research consortia,
• The effect of patent filing in forming the public research policy and the dissemination of the academic knowledge.
• National and regional research and economic growth policies – smart specialization strategy,
• The new research structures and policies in the EU – Horizon Europe 2021-2027,
• The role of universities in the creation of spin-offs and startups in the local economic growth.
• Lectures for executives form technology transfer offices, for researchers who have “passed the entrepreneurial Rouicon”, as well as from executives from industry.

Bibliography


209. Innovation And Entrepreneurship

E

Teaching Hours: 4-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

7th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY209/

Learning Outcomes

• Learn the characteristics of the entrepreneur, their traits & typology,
• Understand how innovation leads to new product development and differentiation form the competition.
• Understand how geographic, social, cultural and economic proximity, as well as participating in social networks and in innovation systems helps the birth of innovations and new products.
• Understand how social imperatives and big inelasticities of the modern world, like that of the climate change, necessitate the design of firms according to the principles of sustainable development.
• Learn the basics of how one can design a firm and of how to raise funding

Syllabus

• Innovation and the characteristics of startup entrepreneurs
• Geographic, social, cultural and economic proximity – innovations systems – science & technology parks – startup incubators & accelerators.
• Entrepreneurship, modern global challenges and sustainable development
• Social Economy & entrepreneurship
• New technologies & private investments
• From the idea to business
• The basics of a business plan
• Elements of marketing
• Sources of venture funding
• Lectures of executives from public organisations/institutions, private firms and venture capitals

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211. Differential Equations I

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Teaching Hours: 3-2-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 112. 111

3rd Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY211/

Learning Outcomes

The course outline includes the study of ordinary differential equations both linear and non-linear. The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the course are:

• Solution of simple first and second order differential equations
• Methodology for solving higher-order linear differential equations
• using this knowledge to solve physical problems mainly from the fields of mechanics and electricity

Syllabus

1. First-order differential equations:


2. Second-order Differential Equations:

   Linear Equations with constant coefficients. Non-homogeneous equations with simple functions. Euler Equations, homogeneous and non-homogeneous. 2nd order equations reduced to 1st order because of symmetry.

3. Newton’s differential Equation:

   Applications to basic Mechanics problems. Motion under different friction laws in a homogeneous gravitational field. Harmonic Oscillation with and without friction. Forced Harmonic Oscillation with and without friction. Problems from electricity based on mechanical analogues.

The principle of superposition. Linear independence and dependence. Vronskian and its uses. Calculation of the second solution when one solution is known. Decrease of the order. Complete solution of the non-homogeneous equation when the solutions of the homogeneous are known.

5. Linear Differential Equations of higher order with constant coefficients

Homogeneous, non-homogeneous

6. Systems of Linear Differential Equations with constant coefficients


7. Linear Differential Equations with variable coefficients

From Taylor series to Frobenius. Examples. Convergence and critical points

Bibliography

- Thomas Kyventidis, Differential Equations, Vol I, ZHTH 1996 Thessaloniki, Greece

212. Differential Equations II

OE1

Teaching Hours: 3-1-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 211

4th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY212/

Learning Outcomes

The main course objective is to provide a modern education on partial differential equations. The course learning outcomes are as follows:

- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the mathematical principles of second order differential equations.
- Advanced ability to apply this knowledge in order to solve realistic problems in physics.

Syllabus

- Method of separation of variables. PDE is three dimensions. Superposition principle. Initial and boundary conditions.
- Fourier series. Parseval’s theorem.
- PDE in finite domains. 2-dimensional Laplace equation in Cartesian and spherical polar coordinates. Legendre polynomials. 2-dimensional wave equation in polar coordinates. Bessel functions.
• Complex Fourier series. Fourier transformation. Delta functions. PDE in infinite domains.
• Inhomogeneous PDE’s. Green’s functions method.

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**213. Computers II: Introduction to Numerical Analysis**

**OE1**

Teaching Hours: 2-0-3, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 114, 116

4th Semester

[https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY213/](https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY213/)

**Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

• Recall the basic numerical methods for solving mathematical problems
• Develop programs to implement numerical methods.
• Be able to combine numerical methods to solve complex mathematical and physical problems, thus developing algorithms which were not taught.

**Syllabus**


Numerical solution of a nonlinear equation. Definitions, useful theorems. Methods: bisection, regula falsi, secant, Muller, fixed point, Householder (Newton-Raphson, Halley).


Least squares approximation: line, polynomial, logarithmic and exponential. Correlation coefficient.


Other topics (FFT, optimization, etc)

Bibliography

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215. Advanced Programming I: Introduction to the C++ Programming Language

E

Teaching Hours: 1-0-3, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 114

3rd Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY215/

Learning Outcomes

On successful attendance, the students will be familiar with basic and advanced programming concepts, as implemented in C++. The programming exercises enhance the analytical process necessary to assimilate and expand various algorithms. The students will be able to develop complex, safe and fast code to tackle various mathematical and physical problems.

Syllabus

A) General:

- Arithmetic operators, priorities. Namespaces, references, pointers.
- Control structures, Loops.
- If statement, (?:) operator, the switch statement, the assert function. Loop structures: while, do while, for, continue, break statements.
- Functions
- Function definition, declaration and usage. the main function. Overloading, function template.
- Math functions.
- Exceptions.

B) Standard Library
• Containers: vector, deque, list, set/multiset, map/multimap. Iterators. Algorithms, function objects, lambda functions, adapters.


D) Other topics

• Large program structure.
• Interface to Fortran and C.

Bibliography

• Notes: (https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY215/notes.pdf)

222. Spectroscopy

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: -

4th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY222

Learning Outcomes

The understanding by students the basic principles and concepts of using modern spectroscopic techniques in the field of materials science. At the end of the lectures the students to obtain the basic experience of how important are the spectroscopic techniques to their science.

Syllabus

• Introduction
• Vibrational spectroscopy of molecules
• Group Theory
• Raman and SERS spectroscopic methods
• FT-IR spectroscopy
• Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) spectroscopy
• Laser spectroscopy (Laser Induced Fluorescence/LIF and Laser Induced Breakdown Spectroscopy/LIBS)
• X-ray Fluorescence (XRF) spectroscopy
• Students Presentations
Learning Outcomes

The course includes an introduction to the basic principles that govern the chemical reactivity and physicochemical properties of elements with emphasis on those of transition metals. The structure of transition metal complexes in terms of chemical activity and energy stability is described.

The learning goals of the course are:

- Consolidate the basic principles that govern the chemical reactivity of elements, especially of transition metals.
- Acquire the knowledge necessary to understand the structure of inorganic complexes and the factors affecting their chemical stability.
- The course aims at understanding the physicochemical principles that characterize the growth and properties of inorganic supramolecular solids.

Syllabus

- Electron Configuration and Chemical Periodicity
  The physical and chemical properties and the tendency of elements to form particular compounds in relation to their position in the periodic table.
- Acid-Base and Donor-Acceptor Principles
- Electrochemistry
  Electrode potentials, redox reactions and electrochemical cells (voltaic and electrolytic cells). Relative strength of oxidizing and reducing agents. Free energy (Gibbs) and electrical work (Standard cell potential and the equilibrium constant). The effect of concentration on cell potential (Nernst equation) Corrosion: An example of environmental electrochemistry. Protecting against corrosion.
- Transition Elements: Electronic Configuration and Bonds
  Electronic configuration and oxidation states of the transition metals and their ions. Valence bond theory and orbital hybridization. Crystal field theory. Molecular orbital theory. Crystal field

- **Coordination Chemistry: Structure**
  
  Compounds with coordination number 2 (linear), 3 (trigonal planar and trigonal pyramidal), 4 (tetrahedral and square planar arrangement), 5 (tetragonal pyramidal and trigonal dipyramidal), 6 (octahedral and triangular prismatic), 7 (pentagonal dipyramidal, substituted octahedral and substituted triangular prismatic) and 8 (triangular dodecahedron and square antiprismatic). Isomerism in coordination compounds.

- **Coordination Chemistry: Rates and Mechanisms of Chemical Reactions**

  Reactions of nucleophilic substitution in transition metal compounds. Trans effect. Factors that influence reaction rate. Racemic mixtures and isomerization. Electron-transfer reaction mechanisms (outer and inner sphere mechanisms).

- **Solid State Chemistry**

  Synthesis of inorganic ionic and covalent compounds. Crystalline inorganic solids (Ionic and supramolecular 3D structures, laminate structures). Amorphous inorganic solids (Ceramics and glasses).

**Bibliography**

  The book comprehensively covers the syllabus of the course.

  The book largely covers the syllabus of the course.

**225. Chemistry of Materials Laboratory Course**

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Teaching Hours: 2-0-4, ECTS: 8

Prerequisite Courses: 124

3rd Semester

[https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY225/](https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY225/)

**Learning Outcomes**

- Getting familiar the students with experimental practice and how to compile with some crucial safety rules during the experimental procedure
- Theoretical and practical education of the students to basic techniques regarding chemical analysis and the use of chemical instruments and glassware
- Theoretical and practical educations of the students in advanced techniques concerning synthesizing modifying and characterizing materials.
- Getting ready the students for the teaching of the nest and more advanced laboratory courses of the Department

**Syllabus**
Solid-state synthesis and superconductivity testing of inorganic material. Determination of average oxide state of the atoms with iodine titration.

Hydrothermic synthesis of Zeolite NaX and characterization of the material using infrared spectroscopy.


Synthesis of complex compounds \([\text{Co(NH}_3)_4\text{CO}_3\text{NO}_3]\) και \([\text{Co(NH}_3)_5\text{Cl}]\text{Cl}_2\). Determination of energy difference between d-orbitals t2g and eg of the various octahedral complex compounds with electronic adsorbance spectroscopy.

Kinetics of the substitutional reaction of the compound \([\text{Co(NH}_3)_5\text{Cl}]\text{Cl}_2\).

Lower critical solubility temperature of macromolecules. Effect of homopolymerization on the lower critical solubility temperature of a given macromolecule.

Modification of the side chain of a polymer. Characterization with Infrared spectroscopy.

Condensation and photopolymerization on a surface of silicon oxide. Characterization of the surface properties.

Bibliography


232. Biochemistry & Molecular Biology

O

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 122

4th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY232/

Learning Outcomes

The course outline includes an introduction to the basic concepts of molecular design of life, structure and function of fundamental biochemical molecules, biochemical evolution and the flow of genetic information. The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the lesson are the following:

- To become familiar with the molecular design of life
- To consolidate the notions of structure and function of the fundamental biochemical molecules used by nature as building blocks (nucleic acids, proteins, carbohydrates, lipids)
• To be conceptually prepared to follow the course of natural biomaterials and their applications (course ETY-391).

Syllabus

• Biochemical evolution
• Structure and function of proteins
• DNA, RNA and the flow of genetic information
• Exploring evolution
• Enzymes: basic principles and kinetics
• Catalytic strategies
• Carbohydrates and lipids
• Moreover, during the last two academic years, an invited lecture is given by Professor Ioannis Iliopoulos of the Medical School on SwissProt and BLAST search software, along with an introductory lecture on Bioinformatics.

Bibliography


242. Materials III: Μικροηλεκτρονικά-Οπτοηλεκτρονικά Υλικά

O

Teaching Hours: 4-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

4th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY242/

Learning Outcomes

• Understand basic optical and electrical properties of semiconductors associated with crystalline structure, energy bands and impurities.
• Understand basic physical principles of operation of semiconductor devices.
• Knowledge of basic semiconductor growth and fabrication processes such as optical lithography, thermal and e-beam metal and dielectric deposition, wet and dry chemical etching.
• Apply knowledge to select purpose specific semiconductor materials and design devices such as LEDs, detectors and laser diodes.
• General overview of modern developments in the rapidly expanding field of optoelectronic semiconductor devices

Syllabus

The aim of the course is introduction to fundamental properties of semiconductor materials and their application in modern microelectronic and optoelectronic devices.

• Introduction to solid state materials - crystal structures –reciprocal lattice -Brillouin zone
• Bandgaps in semiconductors – properties of conduction and valence bands - band structure – bandgap engineering
243. Materials II: Polymers & Colloids

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Teaching Hours: 4-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

4th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY243/

Learning Outcomes

The course is a first introduction to Soft Matter with emphasis on Polymers and Colloids. The outline includes the study of their building blocks such as the polymeric chains and colloidal particles with emphasis on their molecular characteristics, their interactions, their thermodynamic behavior and their structure and self-organization in solution.

The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the lesson are the following:

• Familiarize with Soft materials and learn to distinguish between different types of systems
• To consolidate the Physical mechanisms responsible for the structure of polymer chains their interactions and thermodynamic phase behavior.
• To understand the role of Interparticle interactions between colloidal particles in their self-assembly in crystal phases and out of equilibrium glasses and gels
• To provide the knowledge background for students to follow more advanced elective courses in Colloidal Dispersions and Polymer Physics (ETY-471 and ETY-450).

Syllabus

Introduction


Polymers
• Introduction
• Types and names of polymeric systems
• Basic examples in Polymer Synthesis
• Macromolecular characterization, Chain architecture, Molecular weight, End-to-end distance and Radius of gyration
• Solutions, concentration regimes, interactions
• Phase behavior
• Amorphous and Crystalline polymers. Elastomers
• Polymer mixtures and copolymers

Colloids
• Introduction
• Types of colloidal systems
• Colloidal Interaction, colloidal stabilization
• Colloid-polymer mixtures
• Dense suspensions and crystals
• Colloidal glasses and gels

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248. Structural and Chemical Analysis of Materials

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: -

4th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY248/

Learning Outcomes

A] The knowledge which the students will acquire upon successful completion of the course comprises:

B] The skills which the students will acquire upon successful completion of the course are:

a) mastering real-life experimental techniques and instrumentation which are widely used for the structural and chemical characterization of materials such as X-Ray diffractometry, UV-Vis spectroscopy, FT-IR spectroscopy, Raman spectroscopy, Fluorescence Spectroscopy, Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR), Scanning and Transmission Electron microscopy

b) choosing the right instruments or equipment for the chemical and structural analysis of materials added by finding the, application dependent, useful range of functionality for each specific experimental technique.

c) the students also learn how to use a computer for preparing an oral presentation that includes text, arrays and charts, two and three dimensional graphical representations, images and video.

C] The competence which the students will acquire upon successful completion of the course is

a) the ability to decide on and properly utilize the proper experimental technique for a specific structural and/or chemical characterization of materials

b) the ability to correctly assess and utilize results presented by other scientists regarding the aforementioned specific characterizations of different classes of materials.

Syllabus

**Introduction**

Types of radiation, Energy-wavelength relation, Radiation applications to Materials Science, Atomic theory, Atomic energy levels.

**Radiation-Matter interaction**


**X-Ray diffraction**

Theory, Emission of X-rays and affecting factors (potential, current etc), Absorption of X-rays, Detection of X-rays and measurement of their intensity, Crystallography, Crystal lattice, Primitive cell, Crystalline planes, Instrumentation, Application of X-rays to materials characterisation, X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF), X-Ray Photoelectron Spectroscopy (XPS), Principle of Operation, Information available to materials science (chemical composition, bond arrangements, etc.).

**Ultraviolet-Visible (UV-Vis) spectroscopy**

Beer-Lambert Law, Electronic transitions, Visible range of the spectrum, Color - wavelength relation, Typical examples of chemical compound spectra, Absorption/Transmission/Reflection spectra in liquid and solid samples.

**Fourier Transform - Infrared spectroscopy (FT-IR)**

Dipolar moment, Vibrational/Rotational energy levels, Types of molecular vibrational motion, Selection rules, Instrumentation, Michelson Interferometer, Typical FT-IR spectra of organic compounds, Attenuated Total Reflectance (ATR), Applications.

**Raman spectroscopy**

Basic principles, Stokes/Anti-Stokes lines, Polarization, Vibration - Rotation types, Selection rules, Comparison with FT-IR: similarities and differences, laser, Instrumentation, Typical Raman spectra of organic and inorganic compounds / materials, Applications.

**Fluorescence Spectroscopy**

Basic principles, Electronic transitions (ground and excited states), Selection rules, Instrumentation (fluorimeter), Typical fluorescence spectra of compounds, Laser Induced Fluorescence (LIF), Applications.
Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR)

Magnetic field, spin, fission, Principle of chemical shift, Spectrum Types (Hydrogen 1H and Carbon 13C), Single and Multidimensional spectra (COSY, HMQC, etc.), Instrumentation, Applications in organic compounds.

Electron microscopy

Aspects of an optical microscope (focusing lens, objective lens, magnification), Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM), Instrumentation, Examples, Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM), Instrumentation, Examples, Comparison between SEM/TEM microscopes, Combination of an Electron Microscope with Energy Dispersive Spectroscopy (EDS).

Bibliography


260. Thermodynamics

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Teaching Hours: 4-3-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 112

3rd Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY260/

Learning Outcomes

Understanding of the laws of thermodynamics and their applications with emphasis on phase diagrams of materials. Develop critical thinking on the topic and analytic ability to solve problems. Rational approach to problems aiming at strict wording of problem data and assumptions as well as quantitative analysis. Develop ability to assess knowledge and understand the physical meaning of concepts and the results of experimental or theoretical analysis.

Syllabus

The course involves a lengthy discussion of classical thermodynamics with emphasis on entropy changes and phase equilibria and a short basic introduction to statistical thermodynamics with main focus the most probable distribution and the microscopic description of entropy.

- Elementary introduction to the goals of Thermodynamics: energy, heat, systems, variables and equilibrium
- Zeroth Law of Thermodynamics
- Ideal and Real Gases
- First Law, Internal Energy, Enthalpy, heat capacity
- Second Law, Entropy and Reversibility
• Third Law
• Thermodynamic Functions, Chemical Potential
• Phase Transitions, Equilibrium
• Mixtures, Phase Diagrams, Phase Rule
• Elementary Probability Theory and Statistical Physics
• Canonical Ensemble
• Microscopic States and Entropy, Fundamental Equations
• Equations of State, Phase Transitions

Bibliography

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301. Electromagnetism

O

Teaching Hours: 3-2-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 102, 112

5th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY301/

Learning Outcomes

The course aims at providing students with a deep understanding of the mathematical theory of electromagnetism. The course learning outcomes are:

• Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the mathematical foundations of the theory of electromagnetism.
• Use of the acquired knowledge and physical perception for effective analysis and solution of complex problems in electromagnetism.

Syllabus

• Mathematical tools from vector analysis
• Electrostatics: Divergence and curl of electric field, Gauss law, electric potential, Poisson and Laplace equation, electrostatic energy. Electrostatic calculations (uniqueness theorem, electrostatic images, separation of variables, electric dipoles). Dielectrics (polarization, bound charges, electric displacement, linear dielectric materials)
• Magnetostatics: Lorentz field, Biot-Savart law, Divergence and curl of magnetic field, magnetic vector potential. Magnetization, demagnetizing field, magnetizing field H, Ampere’s law, linear and non-linear magnetic media.
• Maxwell’s equations

Bibliography

302. Optics and Waves

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 102, 112

6th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY302/

Learning Outcomes

- Foundation of knowledge on the physics of Waves and Optics.
- Understanding of transverse waves and their polarization as well as the effect of optical anisotropy.
- Application in polarizing optical systems
- Understanding the basic principles of operation of optical systems
- Application of basic strategies of design and analysis of optical systems

Syllabus

- **Introduction.**
  Waves in nature, Longitudinal and transverse waves, Wave propagation, Huygens-Fresnel principle,
- **Electromagnetism.**
  Maxwell equations, Geometrical Optics,
- **Imaging.**
  Fermat’s principle Snell law, Lenses and Mirrors, Optical Aberrations, Basic principles of Optical engineering,
- **Sources and detectors of optical radiation.**
  Black body radiation, diodes, Lasers, Photometry, Photomultipliers, Photodiodes, CCD sensors.
- **Polarization.**
  Jones and Stokes representation, Optical anisotropy and Dichroism,
- **Interference.**
  Interferometers and Optical metrology,
- **Diffraction.**
  Fresnel and Fresnel-Kirchhoff, diffraction integrals, Fraunhofer diffraction, diffraction from various apertures, resolution of optical systems

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305. Solid-State Physics: Introduction

O

Teaching Hours: 3-2-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 201

5th Semester

http://theory.materials.uoc.gr/courses/fsk/

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course, students should be able to identify simple crystal structures and calculate their basic structural properties. They should know quantities that describe the main properties of a material and characteristic order of magnitude for their numerical values.

In particular, they should know which quantities tell us if a material is:
(a) hard or soft
(b) heats up easily or not
(c) conducts electricity
(d) is transparent or
(e) is affected by magnetic fields.

Students will have learned to calculate the approximate density, the distance between adjacent atoms, modulus, heat capacity, dielectric constant, refractive index, magnetoresistance in simple solids. They should have understood the mechanisms of quantum motion of electrons and the thermal motion of atoms in solids.

Syllabus

This course is an introduction to the relationships connecting atomic structure and macroscopic properties of solids. It includes an introduction to the calculus of periodic functions of three variables, including Bravais Lattices.

Two simple models are used throughout the class: the homogeneous solid (Jellium) and the linear combination of atomic orbitals (LCAO). Through these models, all key properties of solids are introduced to the students, including mechanical, thermal, electrical, optical and magnetic properties. Relationships between quantities that describe different properties are highlighted.

Course content:

• Basic physical properties of solids. Dimensional analysis and estimations of orders of magnitude.
• The model of homogeneous solid (jellium) and first-principles calculations for the cohesive energy, density and bulk modulus.
• Motion of electrons motion in the homogeneous solid - Fermi model.
• Motion of ions in the homogeneous solid - Debye model.
• Thermal properties of solids.
• Motion of electrons and ions in realistic materials.
• Electrical, magnetic and optical properties.

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306. Solid State Physics II: Electronic and Magnetic Properties

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 201

6th Semester

http://theory.materials.uoc.gr/courses/fskII/

Learning Outcomes

The course addresses students who are interested in understanding the relationship between the atomic and electronic structure of solid materials with their macroscopic properties as well as with the properties that render them invaluable in modern technology. The course covers topics such as the relation between atomic configuration and electronic structure (electronic energy states, bands and gaps), how this determines conductors, semiconductors and insulators, the interaction of materials with the electromagnetic field. The learning goals that should have been achieved by the end of the course are:

• Students understand the basics of quantum theory of solids required for electric properties description.
• Students should be able to explore the interaction of materials with electromagnetic fields.
• Students become familiar with the most important aspects of the electronic, optical, magnetic properties of materials so that they can understand the design and operation of electronic and magnetic devices in more advanced courses.

Syllabus

• Structural properties review
• Quantum mechanics review
• Electron motion
• Electrical conductivity in crystalline metals and alloys
• Electrical conductivity in crystalline semiconductors, insulators
• Optical properties of materials
• Magnetic properties of materials
• Superconductivity

Bibliography


335. Molecular Cellular Biochemistry

O

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 122

5th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY335/

Learning Outcomes

The course outline includes the study of cells and cell structures, the transport mechanisms of molecules and ions in cells, the signalling pathways and the interaction of cells with the environment. The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the lesson are the following:

• To become familiar with cells, cellular structures and biochemical reactions within cells
• 2. To consolidate the notions of the biochemical quse of signalling pathways to various cell responses
• To use this knowledge towards the understanding of cellular functions
• To be conceptually prepared to follow the course of biological materials and composite biomaterials and their applications (course ETY-491).

Syllabus

1. Introduction to the cell
2. Lipids and biological membranes
3. Cell membrane transport
4. Signalling pathways
5. DNA replication, repair and recombination
6. Metabolism
7. Immunological responses and introduction to the immune system
8. mRNA translation
9. Sensation/esthetic systems
10. Cell-cell interactions and extracellular matrix

Bibliography

  The book covers at 100% the molecular cellular biochemistry aspects of the course.

340. Transport Phenomena in Materials Science

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 211

6th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY340/

Learning Outcomes

The course includes an introduction to the basic principles governing processing of materials and their response to external stimuli. It focuses on the description of momentum, heat and mass transport with emphasis on Newtonian fluids.

The learning goals of the course are:

- Familiarization of students with the laws of Newton, Fourier και Fick, and their applications in processes where materials are used.
- Deep understanding of the methodology of development of conservation balances and the solution of simple cases with appropriate selection of initial and boundary conditions and with appropriate assumptions.
- Preparation of students for advances courses such as rheology and processing of polymeric materials

Syllabus

Introductory concepts:

Momentum transport.

Heat transport.

Mass transport.
- Diffusion and mechanisms of mass transport. Microscopic balances in laminar flow. Macroscopic
balances

Bibliography

- Instructor’s notes (course webpage).

343. Soft Matter Laboratory

O

Teaching Hours: 1-0-5, ECTS: 8

Prerequisite Courses: 243

5th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY343/

Learning Outcomes

The course includes an introduction to the basic principles of soft matter synthesis and characterization.

The learning goals of the course are the following:

- acquire theoretical and practical training of the students on the basic methods of polymer and colloid synthesis
- theoretical and practical training of the students on the basic characterization techniques used for the determination of the thermal and mechanical properties of soft matter
- The course aims to prepare the students to carry out their diploma thesis or graduate studies

Syllabus

Theory

- Introduction:
  Type of Polymers, Colloids, Nomenclature, Polymerization Techniques, Molecular Weight, Size-Shape of Polymers, Applications
- Polymerization Methods & Polymer Reactions:
  Polycondensation, Free-Radical, Ionic, Copolymerization
- Molecular characterization of Polymers:
  Determination of Absolute Molecular Weight (Static Light Scattering)
  Size Exclusion Chromatography (SEC) Viscosity measurements
  Polymer Composition-Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Spectroscopy
• Thermal Properties:
  Crystallization, Glass Transition, Elastomers, Methods for the determination of the thermal transitions
• Mechanical Properties:
  Viscosity, Viscosity Nomenclature for Dissolutions, Flow curve, Viscosity as a function of volume fraction, Viscosity Measurements, Tensile, Hardness.

**Lab experiments**

1. Soft Matter Synthesis
   1.1 Synthesis of Polystyrene homopolymer by Bulk Free-Radical Polymerization
   1.2 Synthesis of Random Polystyrene-co-Poly(butyl methacrylate) by Solution Free-Radical Copolymerization
   1.3 Synthesis of Polystyrene Colloids by Emulsion Polymerization
   1.4 Synthesis of a Poly(acrylic acid) Random Polymer Network Παρασκευή

2. Soft Matter Characterization
   2.1 Determination of Thermal Transitions of Polymers by Differential Scanning Calorimetry (DSC)
   2.2 Determination of the Molecular Weight Distribution of Polymers by Size Exclusion Chromatography (SEC)
   2.3 Investigation of the Thermal and Mechanical durability of Polymers and Hybrid Materials by Thermogravimetric Analysis (TGA) and Mechanical Analysis (Hardness)
   2.4 Determination of the Particle Size and Investigation of the Rheological Properties of Colloidal Systems by Optical Microscopy and rheology

**Bibliography**


**344. Solid State Materials Laboratory**

Core

Teaching Hours: 1-0-5, ECTS: 8

Prerequisite Courses: 204

6th Semester

[https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY344/](https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY344/)

**Learning Outcomes**

A] The knowledge which the students will acquire upon successful completion of the course
comprises:

a) basic elements of semiconductor physics and technology (conductivity, carrier type, types of dopants, thermal diffusion doping) and of semiconductor diodes

b) basic aspects and use of high dielectric permittivity materials, fabrication of powders and pellets using liquid chemistry followed by high-temperature calcination, structural characterization by X-Ray diffractometry and dielectric assessment by impedance spectroscopy and its thermal dependence

c) basic aspects of magnetron sputtering and its use in the preparation of thin metallic films

d) mechanical properties of metals and their study using uniaxial stress-strain measurements (tensile strength) and hardness tests. Study of implications after thermal treatment.

e) introductory elements on nanomaterials and their unique properties using two approaches:
   i. preparation of metallic nanoparticles and study of plasmon resonance
   ii. preparation of photocatalytic nanopowders and application in organic pollutant dissociation (mineralization)

B] The skills which the students will acquire upon successful completion of the course are:

a) mastering experimental techniques which are widely used in solid-state materials science and technology such as X-Ray diffractometry, Impedance Spectroscopy using Lock-In Amplifiers, Van der Pauw Conductivity, Hall sensing of carrier type, Ellipsometry, Sputtering, Tensile strength and Hardness measurements, UV-Vis absorption spectroscopy etc.

b) choosing the right instruments or modules for the implementation of an experimental setup in materials science, making correct interconnections between them with/without the aid of a control computer, finding the useful range of instrument/module functionality for each specific experimental need

c) conducting experimental measurements, in-situ assessing of their reliability based on known material properties

d) analyzing experimental data. This includes calculations of the values of experimental quantities and of their expected errors as a measure of trust on these values. Analysis includes the ability i) to perform correct graphical representations that reveal, upon sight, the relationship between two quantities and ii) to find the mathematical description of this relationship using the least-squares fit formalism

e) writing laboratory reports that include i) title and purpose of conducting each experiment, ii) summary of the methodology, instrumentation and setup to be used in order to achieve the goals of the experiment and introduction on materials to be studied along with their specific characteristics and properties, iii) comprehensive presentation of experimental procedure and experimental data iv) analysis of the experimental data, formally presenting the corresponding calculations and results on the needed experimental values.

f) assessment of the experimental results by i) verifying (or not) the expected material, ii) studying of its known properties with assessment of material quality always within the range of trust imposed by experimental error and iii) proposing ways to remedy or bypass methodology drawbacks in future attempts to run the same fabrication and/or characterization experiments, as a way to improve the quality of materials and the accuracy of the experimental results

The students also learn how to use a computer in writing experimental reports and in order to construct graphs and analyze experimental data through the use of corresponding spreadsheet preparation and editing software

C] The competences which the students will acquire upon successful completion of the course are:

a) the ability to design the proper experimental procedure and use the proper experimental techniques for fabrication and characterization of solid-state materials

b) the ability to cooperate with other people, as part of a team, in designing and implementing the above mentioned procedure, in collecting and analyzing experimental data, in assessing experimental results and in writing experimental reports

c) the ability to recognize in-vivo and correct or bypass errors or even modify certain steps throughout the process of implementation of an experimental task in order to reach the answer
the safest and most unambiguous way.

Syllabus

1. Doping of silicon

2. Preparation of BaTiO₃ dielectric with the Pechini method
   Introduction to high permittivity dielectric materials. Dielectric polarization mechanisms, dependence of dielectric permittivity on frequency and temperature. Ferroelectrics: Barium Titanate. Structural properties and Curie (temperature) phase transition. Aspects on preparation of barium titanate powders with the Pechini method: esterification-polymerisation-grinding-calcination-sintering

3. Sputtering and thin-film deposition
   Introduction to dc magnetron sputtering: Townsend relation-Paschen curve. Plasma creation. Ion-collision stimulated sublimation of a metal target. Need of the ‘magnetron’. Arrival of atoms, adsorption, clustering and nucleation, 2D (Frank-Van der Merwe) and 3D (Volmer-Weber) growth of thin films. Study of the dependence of thin-film growth rate on chamber pressure and operating ion current. Resistivity measurements (4pt probe technique) on thin metal films and dependence on the growth rate

4. Electrical characterization of doped semiconductors

5. Structural and dielectric characterization of an insulator
   Basic elements of X-Ray diffraction on single crystals and polycrystalline materials: Bragg notation and Laue equations, crystallite size and distortion effects. Application on BaTiO₃.
   Introduction in the Lock-In amplification technique. Use of a lock-in amplifier for measuring the dielectric permittivity of BaTiO₃ as an active material in capacitors: study of an RC circuit, dependence of circuit current on frequency and capacitor temperature. Estimation of Curie temperature and type of dielectric phase transition.

6. Mechanical properties of metals
   Mechanical behavior of metals under tensile uniaxial loading: elastic, inelastic and plastic deformation. Young's modulus, resilience, toughness, yield stress and fraction point of aluminum alloys. Introduction and implementation of a Brinell hardness test on carbon steel and bronze specimens. Effect of high temperature treatment and of cooling rate on the hardness of these materials.

7. Synthesis and optical properties of gold nanoparticle colloids
   Properties and applications of gold nanoparticles. Synthesis of colloidal gold nanoparticles by the citrate gel (Turkevich) method: chemical reactions and their effect on the size and shape of the nanoparticles. Introduction in light propagation through dispersive media. Absorption, scattering and Plasmon resonance in dilute nanoparticle aqueous solutions. Nanoparticle size and shape effects on the resonant absorption of colloidal gold as measured by UV-Vis spectrometry.

8. Titanium dioxide and application in photocatalysis
   Properties and applications of Titanium dioxide. Synthesis of nanopowders using the sol-gel method followed by calcination in oxygen-rich ambient: study on how the chemical reactions and post-synthesis heat treatment affect the size and crystallinity of the grains. Study of the mechanism
of UV-excited photocatalytic action of TiO$_2$ on the dissociation (mineralization) of organic pollutants: case study on "methylene blue". Paths for radical formation on the surface of the grains and radical contribution to the enhancement of pollutant dissociation: effects of grain size and UV wavelength. Rate of photocatalytic dissociation: the Langmuir-Hinshelwood model

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346. Nanomaterials for Energy and Environment

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 141

5th Semester

http://theory.materials.uoc.gr/courses/een/

Learning Outcomes

Objectives of this course include learning basic concepts of Nanophysics, Nanochemistry and Surface Science, understanding key differences between macroscopic and nano-physics and becoming familiar with key mechanisms that take place in solar cells, modern batteries and other devices for energy conversion.

Desirable learning objectives include introduction to important branches of Materials Science, in particular materials for data storage, sensors, batteries, photovoltaics, while students revisit basic concepts of crystallography, chemical kinetics and solid-state physics.

Syllabus

This course focuses on fundamental theoretical and experimental concepts/techniques used for studies of solid surfaces and nanomaterials, in particular systems used in devices for energy conversion and storage, as well as environmental applications.

Modern nanotechnology allows for the synthesis and characterization of systems in which the basic units have dimensions of few nanometers. Such systems are used in electronics (processors, memories) in chemical industry (catalysts), in medicine (drug delivery) and in optoelectronics (photovoltaics).

Topics Covered:

- Principles of nanophysics: specific area, quantum confinement, quantum dots, Coulomb blockade.
- Atomic structure of solid surfaces and crystallography in two dimensions.
- Surface energy, surface tension and shape of nanoparticles.
- Nanomaterials for solar cells: From Gratzel cell to perovskites.
- Nanomaterials for wind turbines and for other renewable energy systems.
- Nanomaterials for batteries.
Bibliography

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348. Materials and Environment

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: -

6th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY348/

Learning Outcomes

The course covers at the basic level the basic categories of nanomaterials, polymers, building materials, catalysts, adsorbents following two directions a) the use and application of these materials in environmental technologies and b) the impact of these materials on the environment during their production, use and disposal after the end of their life cycle as well as their recycling.

- Understanding the basic parameters of environmental pollution.
- Understanding the importance of the structure of materials in relation to their function and physical properties.
- To gain deeper knowledge of the connection of the physicochemical properties of the materials with respect to their environmental behavior.
- Introduction to the use of new innovative anti-pollution materials

Syllabus

- Introduction - environmental pollution
- Physicochemicals of materials
- Water-solid transfer process
- The use of materials for pollution processing
- Different lighting
- Exhaust settlement
- Low cost accessories
- Molecular impact
- Polymer-basic principles-properties
- Environmental behavior and environmental impact of multilateral materials
- Biodegradable polymer
- Cement - concrete
- Asbestos

Bibliography

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349. Mechanical and Thermal Properties of Materials

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: -

5th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY349/

Learning Outcomes

The course provides an introduction to the basic Mechanical and Thermal properties of solids as well as methods for characterizing materials. We will deal with metals, ceramics, polymers as well as composites. The properties of the materials will be related to their microscopic description (bonds, structure), which will explain similarities and differences in their mechanical and thermal properties. Emphasis will be given on the use of these materials both in everyday objects and in more demanding environments. We will present methods of optimizing properties according to the intended use.

Syllabus

- Introduction. Material Classification. Microstructure and links between atoms
- Crystal structures and their effect on properties
- Mechanical properties of metals III. Metal reinforcement mechanism. Material failure. Improvement of mechanical properties of heat-treated metals and alloys.

Bibliography
Learning Outcomes

The course outline includes an introduction to magnetic and ceramic materials. The basic principles of magnetism are described in both classical and quantum theory. The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the course are:

- Understanding the fundamental principles of magnetism
- Problem-solving methodology with magnetic and ceramic materials
- Using this knowledge to solve physical problems

Syllabus

Magnetic moment, Magnetization, Special Magnetization, Magnetic susceptibility

- Diamagnetism
- Paramagnetism: Classical and a Quantum theory
- Currie and Currie-Weiss laws
- Langevin and Brillouin functions
- Ferromagnetism, classical and quantum theory
- Law of corresponding States
- Weiss areas, Magnetic Anisotropy
- Soft and hard Magnetic Materials
- Anti-ferromagnetism
- Low dimensional interactions, Spin glass, super-paramagnetism
- Magnetization and thermodynamic properties
- Magneto-Resistance and Giant Magneto-Resistance

Introduction to Ceramics

- Sintering and microstructure development
- Bonds on Ceramic Materials
- Silicate grids
- Imperfections. Kroger-Vink terminology
- Influence of chemical forces and structure on the physical properties
- Mechanical and Thermal Properties
Bibliography

- Notes from the instructor on the course’s website.

391. Materials IV: Natural Biomaterials

O

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 122

5th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY391/

Learning Outcomes

The course outline includes the study of materials of biological origin, their molecular structure and architecture, the mechanisms of self-organization and their properties as materials. The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the lesson are the following:

- To become familiar with materials of biological origin
- To consolidate the notions of the structural mechanisms used by Nature to create materials with defined properties
- To use this knowledge towards the design of biomimetic materials
- To be conceptually prepared to follow the course of biological materials and composite biomaterials and their applications (course ETY-491).

Syllabus

- Biological introduction
- Examples of biological materials
- Collagen-Gelatin-Elastin-Keratin
- Silk, spider webs, mussel collagen, amyloid fibrils
- Cellulose, starch, cotton
- Biological composite materials: nacre, chitin, bones, teeth
- Diatomes and magnetotactict bacteria
- Keratin, muscle structure and examples of molecular motors: cytoskeleton, kinesin, bacterial flagellae, flagellin
- Design of biomimetic materials

Bibliography

410. Automation Laboratory

E

Teaching Hours: 2-0-2, ECTS: 5
Prerequisite Courses: 114
8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY410/

Learning Outcomes

• Understand basic programming concepts by writing data collection programs, in visual programming languages such as LabVIEW / Vee and their successful implementation.
• Understanding the basic "Troubleshooting" procedures
• Ability of students to run LabVIEW / Vee programs written by the teacher or others for data collection, manipulation and storage.
• Connection of various measuring devices with the computers running LabVIEW / Vee
• Collection and storage of data using LabVIEW / Vee programs written by the students.
• Transfer data to Excel and other data analyzing programs for further analysis (data statistics, graphing)

Syllabus

The aim of the course is to practice and familiarize students with "visual" programming methods that allow the creation of graphic / user interface for collecting, handling and processing data collected from various instruments during experimental measurements, such as: oscillographs, pulse generators, analog / digital converters, automated translation stages, variety of field measuring instruments. Students learn basic programming steps with LabVIEW / Agilent Vee and will be able to read, use, and modify programs written by the teacher and others. LabVIEW / Agilent Vee will be used on Windows XP, Vista operating environments.

Bibliography

412 Solid State Chemistry

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 141

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY412/
https://www.materials.uoc.gr/garmatas/teaching.html

Learning Outcomes

The learning goals of the course are:

- Understanding of the basic principles regarding the crystal structures, bonding forces, and the electrochemical, optical and semiconducting properties of materials.
- The crystal structure and physical properties of inorganic materials.
- An overview of the synthetic methods and physicochemical techniques for the synthesis and characterization of materials.

Syllabus

- Introduction to solid state chemistry, chemical classification of solids, dispersion forces, close packed structures, crystal structures, Bravais lattices and unit cells, Miller indices, symmetry operations and symmetry elements.
- Bonding in solid, ionic, covalent and metallic crystals, typical structural types, intermolecular forces, ionic radius, ionic and molecular structures, lattice energy, ionic compound properties.
- Structural defects (Schottky and Frenkel), chemical impurities and non-stoichiometric crystals, Vegard's law, non-stoichiometric oxide (FeO, TiOx) electronic properties, solid solutions.
- Crystallography and diffraction techniques, X-ray diffraction in crystalline solids, Miller index assignment, crystal structure identification, crystallite size, atomic scattering factor, small-angle X-ray scattering.
- Scanning and transmission electron microscopy (SEM/TEM), electron scattering, X-ray energy dispersive microscopy (EDS), electron energy loss spectroscopy (EELS), Auger spectroscopy, X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS), cathodoluminescence (CL), electron diffraction.
- Ceramic materials synthesis, solid state reaction, combustion synthesis, pure crystals with vapour-phase transfer, vapor chemical deposition (CVD), atomic layer deposition (ALD), sol-gel method, citric method, hydrothermal and solvothermal synthesis, ceramic methods.
- Inorganic composite materials and applications: Solid-state galvanic cells, lithium-ion batteries, fuel cells (PAFC, MCFC, SOFC), electrochromism.
- Zeolites, mesoporous aluminosilicate frameworks, synthesis, chemical composition, crystal structure, catalytic properties.

Bibliography

440. Laboratory of Manufacturing and Mechanical Design

E

Teaching Hours: 2-0-2, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: -

8\textsuperscript{th} Semester

Web Site: https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY440/

Learning Outcomes

- Students obtain state-of-the-art specialized knowledge on the principles of design and manufacturing of two and three dimensional objects that consist the basis for innovative thinking
- Students obtain specialized skills in solving problems – required for research – such as skills in projecting and reproducing objects in space.

Syllabus

- Introduction to the Course
- Geometrical 2 dimensional structures – Different views
- Geometrical 3 dimensional structures – Cross Sectional Views
- Graphical Representations – Diagrams
- Introductions to Mechanical Design
- Basic elements of Mechanical Design
- Manufacturing of a mechanical design
- Design and rules of standardized mechanical elements
- Specialized mechanical design elements
- Computer-Aided Design (CAD)

Bibliography

- Lecturer’s notes

445. Fluid Dynamics

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 211

8\textsuperscript{th} Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY445/

Learning Outcomes
The class material includes a logical description of the conservation of momentum, mechanical energy and continuity for different types of materials. The educational objectives of the course are:

- Mathematical description of balances, understanding of various parameters and process of thinking and solving problems.
- Understanding of differences between Newtonian and Non-Newtonian fluids
- Understanding of the importance of fluid dynamics in processing materials

In addition:

- Students obtain basic and specialized knowledge that result in critical understanding of the theory and principles of Fluid Dynamics.
- Students obtain specialized skills in solving problems – required for research – in order to develop new concepts and processes that can be integrated into different fields.

Syllabus

- Introductory Concepts (fluids and soft matter, polymers, colloids, etc)
- Basic element of vector calculus
- Principal of mechanics of Newtonian fluids (liquids, laminar flows)
- Molecular definition of viscosity
- Conservation of Momentum, microscopic and macroscopic balances of forces and momentum
- Non-Newtonian fluids
- Dimensionless analysis
- Boundary layers, hydrodynamics, external flow, friction coefficient
- Special topics (turbulent flow, energy, time dependent flows)

Bibliography


446. Electron Microscopy

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: -

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY446

Learning Outcomes

This is an introductory course in theory and practical use of the electron microscope, including transmission electron microscopy (TEM) and scanning electron microscopy (SEM). It consists of lectures that focus on the theory, fundamental operating principles, specimen preparation techniques, X-ray microanalysis and electron diffraction on electron microscopes.

Syllabus
• Introduction to electron microscopy: scanning (SEM) and transmission (TEM) electron microscopy -conventional and high-resolution imaging.
• Electron scattering and diffraction.
• Wave-particle duality of electrons.
• Electron diffraction: reciprocal lattice, selected area electron diffraction, beam scattering, image analysis.
• Dark-field and bright-filed TEM images.
• Energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (EDS).
• Principles and practice of electron microscope operation and specimen preparation

Bibliography

• Powerpoint slides of the course.

447. Computational Materials Science

OE2

Teaching Hours: 2-0-3, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 114

8th Semester

http://theory.materials.uoc.gr/courses/vey/

Learning Outcomes

The course introduces the basic techniques used for the theoretical study of materials using computers. The course combines lectures and laboratory exercises in order for the students to get familiar with appropriate modeling and simulation methods for understanding the materials structure-properties relationship as well as the processes involved in several materials science problems. The learning goals that should be achieved by the end of the course are:

• Students acquire a fundamental background in state-of-the-art programming, modelling and simulation of materials.
• Students develop scientific computing and software related technical skills.
• Students acquire hands-on experience in modeling complex phenomena and in solving challenging problems in materials science

Syllabus

• Introduction to materials models for computer simulations
• Length and time scales hierarchy in modeling materials structure and processes (quantum mechanical, atomistic, mesoscopic, continuum).
• Fundamental background for classical simulations
• Brief review of classical mechanics, statistical physics, methods of numerical integration and solution of differential equations.
• Atomic-level simulations

Results analysis

Equilibrium properties, structural, mechanical, dynamical properties. Specific materials properties calculation with realistic interaction potentials and comparison with experiments.

Introduction to first principles calculations

The basics of density functional theory. Structural and elastic properties calculations.

Mesoscopic and continuum simulations

Coarse-grain method. Space discretization. Finite difference and finite element methods. Applications (e.g., dislocation dynamics, electromagnetic wave propagation). Cellular automata.

Combining methods

Concurrent and hierarchical combination of models. Multiple scale simulations

Bibliography


448. Special Chapters in Computational Materials Science

Core

Teaching Hours: 2-0-3, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: -

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY448/

Learning Outcomes

- Development of interdisciplinary and critical thinking
- Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information, with the use of the necessary technology
- Production of free, creative and inductive thinking

Syllabus
The course consists of two parts. In the first part, key concepts of basic numerical methods are presented. In the second part, the student is introduced to basic applications to specific materials (metals, insulators, semiconductors) and specific conditions.

A. Basic concepts of computational methods.
- Principles of numerical analysis.
- Partial Differential Equations (PDEs).
- Solving PDEs using Finite Difference methods.

B. Applications to modelling of natural processes that are described by PDEs. An indicative list of topics covered includes:
- Heat transfer equation in one dimension.
- Propagation of Electromagnetic Waves.
- Irradiation of surfaces by lasers.
- Mechanical properties of materials.

Bibliography

450. Polymer Physics

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 243

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY450/

Learning Outcomes

Detailed discussion of basic properties of polymers, statics and dynamics. The course assumes elementary knowledge on the topic. The full list of topics is shown below but not all are covered. After the discussion of statics and elements of macromolecular motion, some special topics are covered depending on the interests of students.

The learning goals of the course are:
- Familiarization of students with basic parameters and scaling theories of polymers.
- Analysis of polymer properties, comparison of theoretical predictions and experimental measurements
- Understanding the importance of polymers in the production of several everyday life products.

Syllabus
- Macromolecules and Characteristic Length, time and energy scales
- Characteristics of glasses, crystals, networks, melt.
• Statistics of Polymer Chains
• Polymer Chain Elasticity
• Polymer Solutions and Solvent Quality- Characteristic Sizes and Phase Diagram
• Polymer blends
• Macromolecular motion, Coarse-Graining, Viscoelasticity and Diffusion
• Dynamics of Unentangled Chains (Rouse and Zimm models), Predictions for Rheology and Diffusion
• Dynamic Light Scattering, Dynamic Structure Factor
• Networks and Gels
• Dynamic Mechanical Spectroscopy and Time Temperature Superposition
• Entangled Chains-Entanglements: Reptation and the deGennes-Doi-Edwards model

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452. Polymer Synthesis

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 243

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY452/

Learning Outcomes

In this course the basic polymerization methods used in polymer synthesis are described. The mechanisms of the polymerisation methods and the kinetics of the reactions are discussed in detail. The effect of the reaction kinetics on the reaction rate and the polymer characteristics are also discussed. Finally, the basic macromolecular characterization techniques are presented. The students choose contemporary research topics in polymer synthesis for presentation (Project-Compulsory).

The learning objectives of the course are the following:

• Understanding the effect of the polymerization method on the polymer characteristics.
• Consolidate the basic principles of the polymerization kinetics and be able to predict the macromolecular characteristics.
• Familiarize the students with the macromolecular characterization techniques
• Gain experience in studying the international scientific literature and present scientific topics

Syllabus

1. Basic Concepts – Polymer Nomenclature
2. Classification of polymers
3. Polymer Microstructure: Monomer architecture, orientation, tacticity, isomers
4. Average molecular weights - Properties
5. Size and shape of macromolecules
6. Types of polymerization reactions
7. Condensation or step-growth polymerization
   • Type of step reactions
   • Molecular weight and polydispersity
   • Kinetics of condensation polymerization
   • Examples
   • Industrial methods of condensation polymerization
8. Addition of Chain-growth Polymerization
   • Free-radical polymerization
   • Mechanism of free-radical polymerization
   • Molecular weight and polydispersity
   • Kinetics of free-radical polymerization
   • Examples
   • Industrial methods of free-radical polymerization
   • Copolymerization
   • Copolymerization Kinetics
9. Anionic Polymerization
   • Mechanism of anionic polymerization
   • Molecular weight and polydispersity
   • Kinetics of anionic polymerization
   • Macromolecular architectures accessible via anionic polymerization
10. Group Transfer Polymerization
11. Cationic Polymerization
   • Mechanism of cationic polymerization
   • Molecular weight and polydispersity
   • Kinetics of cationic polymerization
12. Polymer modification reactions
13. Polymer Characterization
   • Determination of molecular weight and molecular weight distribution
   • Determination of polymer composition
   • Determination of polymer tacticity

Bibliography


453 Crystal Chemistry

E

Teaching Hours: 2-0-2, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

7th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY453/
Learning Outcomes

The course discusses the study of inorganic crystalline solids. The crystal structures of the elements, binary, ternary and modular compounds is presented. Correlation between electronic structure and crystal structure using the LCAO approach. Defects in crystals and how those affect the physical properties of the solids (semiconductors, scintillators, transparent conducting oxides, etc.). Methods of crystal growth and structural characterization with X-ray diffraction. Modern technological applications of inorganic materials. The main educational goals that the students will achieve upon completion of the course include:

- **The structure of solids**: Description and classifications of crystals through polyhedral representations of inorganic crystal structures.
- **Band structure**: Electronic structure derived from crystal structure. Structure-property relations.
- **Non-stoichiometry and defects in crystals**: Manipulation and control of the physical properties of solids.
- **Synthetic methods and characterization in inorganic solids**: Crystal Growth of single-crystals, polycrystalline and amorphous solids
- **Application of Inorganic compounds in technology**

Syllabus

1. **Structure types of Solids**
   - Metals and Nonmetals
   - Binary compounds: $\text{AB, AB}_2, \text{AB}_3, \text{A}_2\text{B}_3, \text{A}_x\text{B}_y$
   - Ternary compounds: $\text{ABX}_2, \text{ABX}_3, \text{AB}_3\text{X}_4, \text{A}_2\text{BX}_4, \text{AB}_2\text{X}_2$
   - Intermetallics and Zintl Phases
     Modular compounds: Polytypes, Homologous series and misfit layered compounds

2. **Band structure** (based on R. Hoffmann review).
   - Constructing “Spaghetti” diagrams starting from molecular orbitals.
   - Electronic instability (Peierls distortion, Jahn-Teller effect)
   - Density of states, band folding, direct and indirect bandgap
   - Quantum confinement: Low-dimensional materials, Quantum wells, Quantum wires, Quantum dots

3. **Non-Stoichiometry and Defects in Crystals**
   - Nonstoichiometry and diffusion. Thermal quenching, sintering, and annealing.
   - Phase diagrams, eutectics, spinodal decomposition and solid solutions.
   - Phase transitions. Phase transitions in inorganic solids, crystals and amorphous solids.

4. **Synthesis methods**
   - Solid-state synthesis, wet synthesis, solvothermal synthesis
   - **Crystal Growth**
     Growth from melts, solutions and vapor transport.
   - **Structural characterization**
     Structure determination from single-crystals and crystalline powders. Characterization of amorphous solids (Pair Distribution Functions (PDF))

5. **Applications of Inorganic Compounds in Modern Era Technology**
   - **Inorganic Semiconductors in Optoelectronics**
Photodiodes in Photovoltaics, Detectors and LED’s

- **Porous Materials**
  Gas Separation and Catalysis

- **Hydrogen Technology**
  Production, Storage and Reactivity

- **Energy Storage**
  Solid State Batteries

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**454. Rheology and Polymer Processing**

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 211

8th Semester

**Learning Outcomes**

The course includes a simple description of processing of polymeric systems.

The learning goals of the course are:

- Familiarization of students with various methods of polymer processing.
- Addressing simple problems of polymer processing with synthesis of knowledge from polymers and transport phenomena.
- Understanding the importance of polymers in the production of several everyday life products.

**Syllabus**

- Molecular origin of viscosity, entropic origin of elasticity.
- Non-Newtonian fluids and linear viscoelasticity.
- Constitutive equations and non-Newtonian phenomena.
- Introduction to polymer processing.
- Flow of polymer melts in conduits.
• Examples of polymer processing operations (extrudate swell and melt fracture, extrusion of thermoplastics, calendaring, blow molding).
• Special topics (main forces – excluded volume, van der Waals, electrostatic, hydrodynamic, hydrogen bonding, applications in rheology of polymer melts and solutions, hard and soft spheres, concentration dispersions and microstructure, thixotropy, sedimentation, rheometry, extensional rheology

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461. Introduction to Ceramics

OE2

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: -

6th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY461/

Learning Outcomes

It develops the basic concepts of Ceramic Materials Science. In addition to an important theoretical background in the field of ceramics, it offers students the opportunity to see the applications and possibilities of using these materials in a wide range of applications, ranging from classical applications of everyday life to advanced state-of-the-art applications, such as sensors and spacecraft units.

The course also teaches characterization and analysis techniques, which are important for the student in the industry, both in the product line and in the field of development research. Following:

• Familiarizing students with ceramic materials
• Consolidation of the structural mechanisms for the creation of ceramic materials with defined properties
• Using this knowledge to properly apply ceramic materials in the various fields.

Syllabus
• Definition - properties and applications of ceramic materials
• Individual structure and individual construction of ceramic materials
• Mechanical properties of ceramic materials
• Thermal properties of ceramic materials
• Electrical properties of ceramic materials
• Production of ceramic items
• Sintering
• Characteristics and analysis techniques
• Introduction to composite materials
• Presentation

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462. Ceramic Materials and Properties

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 362

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY462/

Learning Outcomes

It develops the basic concepts of Ceramic Materials Science. In addition to an important theoretical background in the field of ceramics, it offers students the opportunity to see the applications and possibilities of using these materials in a wide range of applications, ranging from classical applications of everyday life to advanced state-of-the-art applications, such as sensors and spacecraft units.

The course also teaches characterization and analysis techniques, which are important for the student in the industry, both in the product line and in the field of development research. Following:

• Familiarizing students with ceramic materials
• Consolidation of the structural mechanisms for the creation of ceramic materials with defined properties
• Using this knowledge to properly apply ceramic materials in the various fields.

Syllabus

• Definition - properties of ceramic materials
• Thermal Properties
• Optical Properties
• Plastic Shaping - Viscous Flow - Pressure
• Elasticity - Inelasticity - Strength
Learning Outcomes

The instructor selects the material in this course in order to introduce students to contemporary research topics in advanced ceramic materials of great technological resonance.

The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the lesson are:

- familiarizing students with advanced ceramic materials
- consolidation of the structural mechanisms for the creation of ceramic materials with defined properties important to the modern age.
- using this knowledge to properly apply ceramic materials in the various fields.

Syllabus

The following is a limited list of such topics but the instructor has the option to choose outside them as well.

- Copper Perovskites: High Critical Temperature Superconductors
- Manganites: Giant and Colossal Magnetoresistance
- Piezoelectric Materials
- Ferroelectric Materials
- Rapid Ionic Conduits

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470. Synthesis and Characterisation of Colloidal Dispersions

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 243

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY470/

Learning Outcomes

The course is an introduction to synthesis and characterization of colloidal dispersions aiming in providing a bit more advanced knowledge on the two topics compared to ETY-243. The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the lesson are the following:

• Familiarize with main types of synthesis of colloidal particles and the methods used for their characterization.
• Understand how the main experimental tools (scattering, microscopy, rheology etc.) work and how they are used to probe dilute and concentrated dispersions of colloidal particles

Syllabus

• Introduction
• Synthesis of colloidal dispersions
• Emulsion polymerization, synthesis of latex particles, microgels
• Dispersion polymerization
• Poly-condensation polymerization
• Characterization of colloidal particles: Sizes and polydispersity
• Particle surface characterization, wetting phenomena
• Dispersion characterization: Particle stability, agglomeration and aggregation,
• Sedimentation
• Experimental techniques for characterization:
  • Optical microscopy
  • Light scattering
  • Electrochemical methods
• Rheology

Bibliography

• Course notes (Prof. G. Petekidis)
471. Introduction to Colloidal Dispersions

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 243

7th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY471/

Learning Outcomes

The course is an introduction to colloidal dispersions aiming in providing a basic knowledge on colloidal interactions, phase behavior and colloidal dynamics. The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the lesson are the following:

- Familiarize with Colloidal systems and the main physical mechanisms governing their behavior
- Understand the role of colloidal interactions in the stability of colloidal dispersions and the thermodynamic phase behavior as well as in the formation of out of equilibrium states such as glasses and gels
- To understand Brownian motion, and the characteristics of diffusion

Syllabus

Introduction


Polymers

- Introduction
- Types and names of polymeric systems
- Basic examples in Polymer Synthesis
- Macromolecular characterization, Chain architecture, Molecular weight, End-to-end distance and Radius of gyration
- Solutions, concentration regimes, interactions
- Phase behavior
- Amorphous and Crystalline polymers. Elastomers
- Polymer mixtures and copolymers

Colloids

- Introduction
- Types of colloidal systems
- Colloidal Interaction, colloidal stabilization

- Colloid-polymer mixtures
- Dense suspensions and crystals
- Colloidal glasses and gels

Bibliography

- Course notes (G. Petekidis)
480. Heterostructures, Nanostructures and Semiconductor Nanotechnology

**E**

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 242

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/grad/courses/ETY480/

**Learning Outcomes**

The course is an introduction to the Semiconductor Nanotechnology, focusing on the physics of nanostructured semiconductors, exemplified in the various applications they find in modern technology, revolving around the broader field of optoelectronics. Special emphasis is given in handling problems of practical interest that require the use of computer and of basic computational methods.

**Syllabus**

- **Quantum Heterostructures**
  

- **Semiconductor nanostructures**
  
  Types of low dimensional semiconductors: quantum dots and quantum wires. Qualitative and quantitative description of physical properties. (a) spherical quantum dots, (b) core-shell quantum dots, (c) epitaxial quantum dots, (d) cylindrical quantum wires, (e) quantum wires with dots, (f) branched wires. Methods for spontaneous growth and assembly of low dimensional semiconductors. Quantum dot lasers.

- **Semiconductor nanotechnology**
  
  Limitations of microelectronics and the role of nanotechnology. Cornerstones of nanotechnology. Fabrication of devices: Optical (nano-LASER and nano-LED), and Electrical (Nano-diodes). Assembly nanowires and quantum dots in two dimensions. Properties and Obstacles. Technological applications.

**Bibliography**

Learning Outcomes

The course includes the study of Semiconductor Physics as well as of the operating principles of basic optoelectronic devices. The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the course are the following:

- Enhanced basic understanding of semiconductor physics.
- Understanding important optoelectronic devices such as the semiconductor diode laser and solar cell.
- Preparation of the students for attending postgraduate level classes in the field of semiconductors and optoelectronics.

Syllabus

- Energy bands in semiconductors and carrier statistics
- Carrier transport and P-N diode
- Optical transitions in semiconductors
- Quantum wells
- Optical gain – Laser action
- Waveguides
- Solar cells

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Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 362

7th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY483/

Learning Outcomes

This course will provide students with the fundamental knowledge in the field of magnetism and magnetic materials. At the end of the course the student will be able to:

- Provide explanation for fundamental concepts and phenomena of magnetism.
- Apply those concepts to understand the nature of magnetic behavior of various materials.
- Propose methods for characterization of different magnetic materials
- Discuss various applications of magnetic materials in cutting edge technologies and devices

Syllabus

- Magnetostatics
- Classification of magnetic materials
- Magnetic measurements and characterization
- Magnetic order
- Magnetic domains
- Fine ferromagnetic particles
- Magnetic thin films
- Permanent magnets
- Magnetic recording
- Soft magnetic materials
- Giant magnetoresistance

Bibliography

Notes are provided by the lecturer (in the Greek language) on the course website that cover the course in its entirety. The following books can be used for reference to specific topics.


488. Special Chapters of Magnetic Materials

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 362
Learning Outcomes

This course will provide students with the fundamental knowledge in the field of magnetism and magnetic materials. At the end of the course the student will be able

- to provide explanation for fundamental concepts and phenomena of magnetism.
- to apply those concepts to understand the nature of magnetic behavior of various materials.
- to propose methods for characterization of different magnetic materials
- to discuss various applications of magnetic materials in cutting edge technologies and devices.

Syllabus

- Experimental methods for characterization of magnetic materials
- Magnetic order and critical phenomena
- Quantum theory of magnetism-itinerant electron ferromagnetism
- Magnetization dynamics
- Magnetoelectronic materials
- Magnetic recording materials
- Magnetoresistance- sensors
- Spintronics

Bibliography

Notes are provided by the lecturer (in the Greek language) on the course website that cover the course in its entirety. The following books can be used for reference to specific topics.


490. Photonic Materials

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: -

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY490/
Learning Outcomes

Elective undergraduate course that gives a broad view of the field of Photonics, with emphasis on modern applications, like in telecommunications and nano-photonics. Good knowledge of electromagnetism and optics is recommended.

Syllabus

- Light and matter, light waves, absorption and emission, optical properties of matter
- Modern lasers: operation principles, new technologies and applications
- Optics of short laser pulses: theory and applications
- Nonlinear optics: materials, systems and spatio-temporal phenomena
- Optical fibers – Telecommunications
- Photonic crystals
- Metamaterials
- Terahertz photonics

Bibliography

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491. Biological materials and composite biomaterials

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 6

Prerequisite Courses: 232

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY491/

Learning Outcomes

The course outline includes the study of biomaterials and composite biomaterials, their physicochemical and mechanical properties, their degradation mechanisms, their biocompatibility criteria and evaluation, the biological responses following an implantation. The learning goals that students should have achieved at the end of the lesson are the following:

- To become familiar with biomaterials and composite biomaterials
- To consolidate the notions of the structural mechanisms used by Nature to create materials with defined properties
- To use this knowledge towards the design of biocompatible materials
- To be conceptually prepared to perform a diploma thesis in a research laboratory in the area of biomaterials, tissue engineering and regenerative medicine

Syllabus

- Materials for Biomedical Applications
- Chemical Structure of Biomaterials
- Physical Properties of Biomaterials
• Mechanical Properties of Biomaterials
• Biomatertial Degradation
• Biomatertial Processing
• Surface Properties of Biomaterials
• Protein Interactions with Biomaterials
• Cell Interactions with Biomaterials
• Biomaterial Implantation and Acute Inflammation
• Wound Healing and the Presence of Biomaterials
• Immune Response to Biomaterials
• Biomaterials and Thrombosis
• Infection, Tumorogenesis and Calcification of Biomaterials

Bibliography

The text book covers 100% of the examination matter

494. Introduction to Biomedical Engineering

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 232 or 335

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY494/

Learning Outcomes

The course content includes introduction to basic concepts of Biomedical Engineering, a new branch of Life Sciences, with a strong interdisciplinary approach and many applications in Biomedical Sciences. The learning objectives of the course are:

• Understand the physiology and engineering of mammalian physiology.
• Study of the mechanical forces exerted on cells and tissues, and understanding of the mechanisms of transmission of the mechanical signal and its conversion into a biochemical signal.
• Examples of applications of Biomedical Engineering to various branches of Medicine.

Furthermore:

• Students gain basic and advanced knowledge in biomedical engineering that entails a critical understanding of theories and principles of engineering, biology and medicine
• Students obtain specialized problem-solving skills in biomedical engineering, which are required in research and / or innovation in order to develop new knowledge and processes and integrate knowledge from different fields.

Syllabus

• Basic concepts of vascular engineering and cardiovascular physiology
• Interaction of Mechanical and Genetic Factors in Atherosclerosis
• Bioreology. Viscosity and Viscoelastic Properties of Blood
• Cellular Engineering and Mechanotransduction
• Mechanical Properties of Cell Membrane
• Stem Cell Engineering and New Therapeutic Applications
• Viscoelastic Properties of the Extracellular Matrix of the Cell
• Artificial blood and polymer solutions that simulate the Rheological Properties of Blood
• Tissue engineering of joints
• Examples and Applications of Biomedical Engineering

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500. Symmetry in Materials Science

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 116, 305

8th Semester

http://theory.materials.uoc.gr/courses/sms/

Learning Outcomes

This course introduces a mathematical toolbox that is necessary for the theoretical study of materials, as well as for the design of characterization experiments. Students become familiar with the mathematical foundations of Materials Science, taking advantage of symmetries of solids. After introducing the mathematical toolbox of group theory, we study processes where symmetry plays a crucial role such as diffraction experiments, piezoelectric response and mechanical properties of materials.

Syllabus

• Group Theory: Point group, molecular symmetry. Representations and characters.
• Applications of point groups: Normal modes of vibrations, infrared- and Raman spectroscopy, molecular orbitals.
• Space groups and crystal symmetries. Applications: Wyckoff positions, diffraction, electron wave-functions in solids.
• Crystallography: Methods of crystal structure determination from X-ray diffraction data of powders and single-crystals.
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512. Computational Materials Science II: Electronic Structure

E
Teaching Hours: 2-0-3, ECTS: 5
Prerequisite Courses: 305 and of OE1
8th Semester
http://theory.materials.uoc.gr/courses/est/

Learning Outcomes

The aim of the course is getting familiar with the modern theory of electronic structure, and more specifically with DFT (Density Functional Theory), by employing large software packages. The course builds on computational experiments performed in order to study properties of standard materials. The learning goals that should be achieved by the end of the course are:

• Students acquire specialized knowledge and experience in solving quantum mechanical problems in materials science
• Students develop scientific computing and software related technical skills
• Students acquire hands-on experience in first principles calculations for solving challenging problems in materials science

Syllabus

• Introduction to DFT.

- Crystalline solids.
- Surfaces.
- Magnetic materials. The role of spin in the magnetic properties of materials, such as iron, as well as in the cohesion of nonmagnetic molecules, such as H₂O. The concept of density of states and its calculation. Oscillations of simple molecules.
- Experimental techniques.
  - Basic principles of experiments for the depiction of the electronic structure, such as STM (Scanning Tunneling Microscope) and their simulation. Electronic band structure calculations in metals, insulators, and semiconductors.
- Reaction speeds.

  TST (Transition State Theory) and nudged elastic band method for the calculation of the speed of a chemical reaction. Application to diffusion constants calculation.

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570. Special Topics on Soft Matter

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 243

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY570/

Learning Outcomes

This course targets to delve into certain subjects related to soft materials, covering the spectrum from synthesis and characterization to structural and dynamical properties and soft matter processing.

The learning goals of the course are the following:

- Deepen the students' knowledge on specific, and more specialized, topics on soft matter, not covered by the other courses of the field.
- Ability to solve targeted problems and become familiar with soft matter data
- Understand the applications of soft matter in new technologies.
- Prepare the students for carrying out their diploma work and / or postgraduate studies in soft matter.
- Expose the students to a highly intellectual environment and teaching by distinguished visiting Professors.
Syllabus

For 2019, the course comprised a brief review of the main characteristics of soft matter (length, time and energy scales) followed by a discussion of some of the following topics, according to the students’ interests:

- Modern methods of polymer synthesis and characterization
- Synthesis and characterization of colloids
- Mechanochemistry methods
- Supramolecular chemistry
- Microscopic thermal motion – mesoscopic polymer models
- Polymer melts and relation with other soft materials
- Semiflexible polymers and liquid crystals
- Polymer Blends and Polymer Mixtures
- Copolymers
- Branched Polymers
- Rheometry and non-linear response (Shear and Extensional Flow)
- Crystalline polymers
- Slow dynamics and heterogeneities
- Glass Transition
- Hard and soft spheres, interactions
- Colloidal crystallization and glass transition
- Colloidal gels and colloid-polymer mixtures
- Viscoelasticity and diffusion of colloids

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580. Optoelectronics & Laser

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 242

8th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY580/

Learning Outcomes

The course combines a general overview of the field of Optoelectronics with an in-depth introduction to the operating principles of perhaps the most characteristic and exciting optoelectronic device, which is the laser diode. Special emphasis is given in handling problems of practical interest that require the use of computer and of basic computational methods.

Syllabus

- Brief review of the optical properties of semiconductors, quantum wells and waveguides
• General presentation of diode lasers and other optoelectronic devices
• Conditions for lasing action
• Operating principles of diode lasers
• Special reflectors and cavities for diode lasers
• Optical gain in quantum wells
• Tunable semiconductor laser

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598. Bioorganic Nanostructures- Supramolecular Chemistry

E

Teaching Hours: 3-0-0, ECTS: 5

Prerequisite Courses: 121, 122, 012

6th Semester

https://www.materials.uoc.gr/el/undergrad/courses/ETY598/

https://598bionano.wordpress.com

Learning Outcomes

This course will serve to introduce important notions and concepts in the field of supramolecular chemistry through examples that dictate supramolecular organization in Nature and their comparison with published works. The goals of this course are to familiarize students to the different types of chemical systems used for the assembly of complicated molecular architectures and functional molecules, to help students obtain the essential knowledge needed to critically examine modern scientific literature related to supramolecular chemistry, and show how the notions and tools of supramolecular chemistry are applied in other areas of chemistry and biology. Upon successful completion of the course, the students will be able to:

• Understand the basic definitions and principles of supramolecular chemistry, widely used for the construction of novel materials,
• Correlate nanostructure architecture with the chemical structure of its components,
• Identify non-covalent interactions employed in self-organization and use this knowledge to understand and design new molecules and nanostructures,
• Work in multidisciplinary environments requiring basic supramolecular chemistry understanding (within the framework of a diploma thesis or Erasmus).

Syllabus

The course details the basic principles of supramolecular chemistry leading to spontaneous and programmed formation of (bio)nanostructures. The course extends the basic concepts of the role of non-covalent interactions (studied in previous courses such as General Chemistry and Organic Chemistry) and explores the essential role they play in Nature and all areas of modern supramolecular materials and biomaterials chemistry. The main themes are:
• Nanotechnology: definitions, approaches, perspectives,
• Supramolecular Chemistry: Definition and basic principles,
• Non-covalent interactions/self-assembly,
• Molecular recognition – host-guest chemistry,
• Template-directed synthesis,
• Dynamic covalent chemistry,
• Self-organization: Amphiphiles, polymers, helical polymers, supramolecular polymers, peptides, proteins, oligonucleotides,
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• Molecular Machines
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