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Introduction to materials science

In view of the health context linked to the spread of the coronavirus, the methods of organisation and evaluation of the learning units could be adapted in different situations; these possible new methods have been - or will be - communicated by the teachers to the students.

5 credits	30.0 h + 30.0 h	Q2
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Teacher(s)	Charlier Jean-Christophe ;Jacques Pascal ;Nysten Bernard ;Pardoen Thomas (coordinator) ;					
Language :	French					
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve					
Main themes	The objective of the course is to provide an introduction to materials science as a science that aims at linking the process, structure and properties of materials on the basis of the principles of chemistry, physico-chemistry, thermodynamics, quantum mechanics, physics and mechanics of solids.					
Aims	Contribution of the course to the program objectives Having regard to the LO of the programme 'Bachelor in engineering', this activity contributes to the development and acquisition of the following LO: LO 1.1 1.2 Specific learning outcomes of the course At the end of this course, the student will be able to 'LO1.1 position materials science within its wider context of a discipline useful in most engineering technologies; 'LO1.1 know, define, and correctly use the vocabulary and notations of the discipline (e.g. capacity of define notions like lattice, atom, molecule, phase, eutectic, electron, phonon, tacticity, grain, precipitate, dislocation, conformation, stress, strain, stiffness, strength, conductivity, etc); 'LO1.1 describe with words and schematic drawings the chemical bonds at the basis of the different classes of materials, the amorphous and crystalline structures, the crystalline defects, the molecular architecture and microstructure, the physico-chemical/thermodynamics mechanisms at the origin of the microstructure; 'LO1.2 apply the basic concepts of crystallography, thermodynamics and phase diagrams to the solution of simple exercises; 'LO1.1 explain based on words and schematic drawings the links between the material structure and the functional (electrical and thermal conductivity, optical indices, dielectric and magnetic coefficients, etc) and mechanical properties (enthalpic and entropic elasticity, glass transition, strength, ductility, etc); 'LO1.1 master the notations, time, length and temperature scales, orders of magnitudes involved in the representation of the evolution of the functional and mechanical properties of the difference classes of materials; 'LO1.1 derive, based on the properties, the main field of applications of the classes of materials based on a global vision of materials science which goes beyond the classes of materials but which also explains the particular behaviours.					
Evaluation methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. The students will be individually graded based on a written exam with questions related to the material seen during the ex-cathedra courses, as well as the solution of exercises in the vein of those addressed during the semester.					
Teaching methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. Ex-cathedra courses and practical exercises mainly. One or two laboratories.					
Content	General introduction Partie I - Materials structure and genesis of microstructures A. Reminder on the chemical bonds and material states B. Thermodynamics of interfaces, diffusion, nucleation, growth					

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C. Phase diagrams						
 D. Crystalline materials (involving basics of crystallography, solidification, description of defects and microstructures) E. Amorphous materials (involving main polymerization reactions, tacticity and molecular architecture, amorphous solids, polymorphism, brief introduction to glasses) 						
						The sections A, B & C are transverse to all classes of materials.
Exercises will be given for the crystallography and thermodynamics aspects.						
Partie II - Functional properties						
A. Electrons and phonons						
B. Electrical and thermal conductivity (+ one lab session on electrical measurements)						
C. Dielectric, magnetic and optical properties						
Partie III - Thermomechanical properties						
A. Macroscopic mechanical behaviour (+ exercises and lab session)						
B. Relationships between molecular architecture / microstructure / thermomechanical properties of polymers						
C. Relationships between defects / microstructure / thermomechanical properties of metals and ceramics						
https://moodleucl.uclouvain.be/course/view.php?id=8996						
Notes de cours et slides disponibles sur Moodle, livres d'introduction à la science des matériaux disponibles à la BSE.						
The students must be familiar with the elementary concepts of chemistry, physics, mechanics						
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Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims		
Master [120] in Biomedical Engineering	GBIO2M	5		٩		
Minor in Engineering Sciences : Applied Chemistry and Physics (only available for reenrolment)	LFYKI100I	5		•		
Minor in Applied Chemistry and Physics	LFSA131I	5		٩		
Specialization track in applied Chemestry and Physics	LFYKI100P	5		٩		