

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Engineering Materials			
Reference	EN1703	Version	4
Created	March 2024	SCQF Level	SCQF 7
Approved	March 2021	SCQF Points	30

ECTS Points

15

Aims of Module

Amended

To provide the student with an understanding of the structures and properties of engineering materials and metal alloys.

Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

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- 1 Describe the different types of crystals and the internal structure of atoms and molecules.
- 2 Identify the bonding and imperfections in solids and how these affect the properties of materials.
- Summarise the important properties of engineering materials including mechanical, physical, electrical and thermal.
- 4 State the properties and heat treatment of alloy steel, cast iron, non-ferrous metals and alloys.
- 5 Define the mechanical properties of different materials.

Indicative Module Content

The structure of metals: types of atomic bonds, crystal structure of metals, deformation and strength of single crystals, grain and grain boundaries, recovery and grain growth, cold, warm and hot working. Imperfections in solids: point defect, miscellaneous imperfections, microscopic examination. Material properties: mechanical (tensile strength, toughness, hardness and ductility), physical (density, melting point and specific heat), thermal conductivity and expansion, electrical properties and corrosion resistance. Introduction to engineering materials: metals and their alloys, ceramics, polymers and composites. Metal alloys: phase diagram, main types of ferrous and non-ferrous materials, heat treatment of ferrous and non-ferrous alloys, surface hardening techniques for steels used by industry with reference to engineering applications.

Module Delivery

This module is delivered using lectures and laboratory work supported by tutorial sessions and directed study.

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Indicative Student Workload	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	80	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	220	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	300	N/A
Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body		

ASSESSMENT PLAN

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

Component 1

Type: Coursework Weighting: 100% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Description: A portfolio of lab activities covering material and mechanical properties of engineering materials.

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

Explanatory Text

To Pass the module a minimum of D Grade is required.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
Α	A
В	В
С	С
D	D
E	E
F	F
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module	None.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY

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