5900. Directed Study. 3 hours. Topic chosen by the student and developed through meetings and activities under the direction of the instructor; activities include required, regular participation in a specified 4000-level class. Perequisite(s): approved applications for special problems/independent research/dissertation credit must be submitted to the COBA Graduate Programs Office prior to registration.

5910. Marketing Practicum and Restricted Consulting Assignment. 3 hours. Course provides a unique opportunity for the student to learn-by-doing with a real business or institution, solving real problems. While each project provides very specific and unique learning opportunities within the marketing area, the primary areas of knowledge and skill development for each are business analysis and decision making; consultative business relationships; project management; communication, written and oral; and teamwork. Prerequisite(s): MKTG 5150, MKTG 5250 and consent of instructor.

6010. Seminar in Marketing Thought. 3 hours. Understanding of the history of marketing, theoretical definitions of marketing, and controversies in marketing thought. Investigation, analysis, and discussion of significant issues in the field of marketing.

6020. Seminar in Advanced Consumer Behavior. 3 hours. Interdisciplinary course examining empirical and theoretical studies of the factors that influence the acquisition, consumption and disposition of goods, services and ideas. Analysis of the psychological, sociological, anthropological, demographic and regulatory forces that impact consumers. Examination of research methodologies employed to conduct empirical studies of consumer behavior.

6030. Seminar in Marketing Strategy. 3 hours. Review of research in marketing strategy. Seminar topics include theories of competition and marketing strategy including antecedents, outcomes, mediators and moderators between strategy and performance; multimarket competition, first/late mover advantage, transaction cost analysis, marketing channels, and the contributions to the strategy dialogue.

6600. Seminar in Marketing Issues. 3 hours. Investigation, analysis and discussion of significant issues in marketing. May be repeated for credit.

6900-6910. Special Problems. 1–3 hours each. Research by doctoral students in fields of special interest. Includes project research studies and intensive reading conferences with professors in fields involved. Prerequisite(s): approved applications for special problems/independent research/dissertation credit must be submitted to the COBA Graduate Programs Office prior to registration.

6940. Individual Research. 1-12 hours. Individual research for the doctoral candidate. Prerequisite(s): approved applications for special problems/independent research/dissertation credit must be submitted to the COBA Graduate Programs Office prior to registration. May be repeated for credit.

6950. Doctoral Dissertation. 3, 6 or 9 hours. To be scheduled only with consent of department. 12 hours credit required. No credit assigned until dissertation has been completed and filed with the graduate dean. Doctoral students must maintain continuous enrollment in this course subsequent to passing qualifying examination for admission to candidacy. Prerequisite(s): approved applications for special problems/ independent research/dissertation credit must be submitted to the COBA Graduate Programs Office prior to registration. May be repeated for credit.

Master's Engineering Technology

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Materials Science and Engineering

Materials Science, MTSC

5000. Thermodynamics of Materials. 3 hours. The zeroth law of thermodynamics, work, energy and the first law of thermodynamics; the second law of thermodynamics, thermodynamic potentials, the third law of thermodynamics, thermodynamic identities and their uses, phase equilibria in one-component systems, behavior and reactions of gases. Solutions, binary and multicomponent systems: phase equilibria, materials separation and purification. Electrochemistry. Thermodynamics of modern materials including liquid crystals.

5100. Fundamental Concepts of Materials Science. 3 hours. Crystal structures including defects and structures of non-crystalline materials. Phase diagrams, intermolecular forces. Organic raw materials, metals and alloys, ceramics, electronic materials, liquid crystals, polymers, natural and synthetic composites, smart materials, hybrids. Mechanical, thermophysical, electrical, magnetic and surface properties including tribology, corrosion and degradation. Testing of materials. Prerequisite(s): consent of department.

5200. Advanced Concepts of Metallurgical Science. 3 hours. Chemical and physical properties of metals and alloys. Emphasis on the relationship of structure and thermodynamics to behavior. Topics include crystal structure, thermodynamics, phase diagrams, phase transformations, oxidation, mechanical, electrical and magnetic properties. Prerequisite(s): PHYS 4110, CHEM 3510 or consent of department.

5210. Corrosion and Oxidation of Materials. 3 hours. Electrochemical corrosion mechanisms, corrosion prevention and high temperature corrosion. Oxidation mechanisms of metals and alloys, internal oxidation, oxidation resistant alloys and other methods of oxidation protection. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5200 or consent of department.

5300. Science and Technology of Modern Ceramics. 3 hours. Emphasis on structure-property relationships: chemical bonding, crystal structures, crystal chemistry, electrical properties, thermal behavior, defect chemistry. Processing topics: powder preparation, sol-gel synthesis, densification, toughening mechanisms. Materials topics: glasses, dielectrics, superconductors, areogels. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5100, 5200 or consent of department.

5310. Sol-Gel Processing. 3 hours. Elements of sol-gel synthesis and processing, including colloids, sols, alkoxide chemistry, hydrolysis and condensation reactions, gelation mechanisms, novel synthesis methods, sol-gel thin films, thin film processing and characterization of sol-gel products. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5300 or consent of department.

5400. Advanced Polymer Physics and Chemistry. 3 hours. Chemical structures, polymerization, molar masses, chain conformations. Rubber elasticity, polymer solutions, glassy state and aging. Mechanical properties, fracture mechanics and viscoelasticity. Dielectric properties. Polymer liquid crystals. Semi-crystalline polymers, polymer melts, rheology and processing. Thermal analysis, microscopy, diffractometry and spectroscopy of polymers. Computer simulations of polymer-based materials.

- **5410. Polymer Reliability.** 3 hours. Reliability of polymers and polymer-based composites (PPCS); flexible, semirigid, rigid, elastromeric, crosslinked polymers, heterogeneous polymer-containing (such as polymer + ceramic) composites and polymer liquid crystals. Prediction of long-term performance from short-term tests. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5400 or consent of department.
- 5415. Polymer Viscoelasticity. 3 hours. Polymer structureproperty relations, linear and nonlinear viscoelasticity, dynamic mechanical analysis, time temperature superposition, creep and stress relaxation, mechanical models for prediction of polymer deformation, rubber elasticity, environmental effects on polymer deformation, instrumentation for prediction of long term properties. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5400.
- **5430. Polymer Rheology and Processing.** 3 hours. Experimental methods for viscosity-temperature-shear rate measurements, application to melts, filled systems and suspensions. Injection, extrusion, thermoforming, blow molding, rotational molding, compression and transfer molding, calendaring and post-manufacturing operations. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5400 or consent of department.
- 5440. Thermal Analysis. 3 hours. Differential scanning calorimetry; thermogranvimetric metric analysis; dynamic mechanical and thermomechanical analysis; glass transition; melting transitions, relaxations in the glassy state, liquid crystalline phase changes. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5400 or consent of department.
- 5500. Electronic, Optical and Magnetic Materials.
- 3 hours. Intensive study of the properties of electronic, optical and magnetic materials. Electrical and thermal conduction, elementary quantum physics, bonding, band theory, semi-conductors, dielectrics, magnetic properties, superconductivity, optical properties. Prerequisite(s): PHYS 4500 or consent of department.
- 5515. Materials and Solid State Devices. 3 hours. How electronic, optical and magnetic devices actually work based on a materials perspective. P-N junctions, MOS capacitors, mosfets, CMOS, Bi-CMOS, RF, MRAM and optical detectors/switches; emphasis on the importance of mastering materials properties in electrical engineering device design and integration. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5500 or consent of department.
- 5520. Physical and Chemical Basis of Integrated Circuit Fabrication. 3 hours. Current requirements and future trends in processing technology for very large scale integrated circuits and related application. Wafer fabrication, lithography, oxidation, diffusion, ion implantation, film deposition, wet and dry etching, multilevel metal interconnect, process integration and process simulation. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5500 or consent of department.
- 5530. Integrated Circuit Packaging. 3 hours. Basic packaging concepts, materials, fabrication, testing and reliability, as well as the basics of electrical, thermal and mechanical considerations as required for the design and manufacturing of microelectronics packaging. Current requirements and future trends are presented. General review of analytical techniques used in the evaluation and failure analysis of microelectronic packages. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5500 or consent of department.
- 5540. Materials for Advanced Displays. 3 hours. Materials and processing requirements for new display concepts including field emission displays, organic light emitting displays, flexible displays, laser-based displays and inorganic

- electroluminescent displays. Special emphasis will be placed on the materials effects on device reliability. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5500 or consent of department.
- 5550. Materials and Mechanics for MEMS Devices. 3 hours. Methods, techniques and philosophies used to characterize MEMS structures for engineering applications. Topics include fundamentals of elastic and plastic deformation in microscale, anisotropic material properties, crystalline and non-crystalline materials, and mechanical behavior such as strength, fracture, creep and fatigue as they relate to the microscale design. Material characterization, mechanical testing and mechanical characterization are discussed. Emphasis is on emerging techniques to assess design-relevant mechanical properties. Prerequisite(s): consent of department.
- **5600. Materials Characterization.** 3 hours. Survey of atomic and structural analysis techniques as applied to surface and bulk materials. Physical processes involved in the interaction of ions, electrons and photons with solids; characteristics of the emergent radiation in relation to the structure and composition. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5200, 5300, 5400 or consent of department.
- 5610. Fundamentals of Surface and Thin Film Analysis. 3 hours. Survey of materials characterization techniques; optical microscopy; Rutherford backscattering; secondary ion mass spectroscopy; ion channeling; scanning tunneling microscopy; x-ray photoelectron spectroscopies; surface properties. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5600 or consent of department.
- 5700. Seminar in Materials Science and Engineering. 1–3 hours. Current topics in materials science and engineering.
- 5800-5810. Special Studies in Materials Science.
 3 hours each. Organized classes specifically designed to accommodate the needs of students and the demands of
- accommodate the needs of students and the demands of program development that are not met by regular offerings. Short courses and workshops on specific topics, organized on a limited-offering basis, to be repeated only upon demand. May be repeated for credit.
- **5820. Internship in Materials Science.** 3 hours. A supervised industrial internship requiring a minimum of 150 clock hours of work experience. Prerequisite(s): consent of department.
- **5830.** Cooperative Education in Materials Science. 3 hours. Supervised work in a job directly related to the student's major, professional field of study or career objective.
- 5900-5910. Special Problems in Materials Research. 1–6 hours each. Special problems in advanced materials science for graduate students. Problems chosen by the student with approval of the supervising professor and the department chair.
- **5920-5930. Research Problems in Lieu of Thesis.** 3 hours each. An introduction to research; may consist of an experimental, theoretical or review topic.
- **5940. Seminar in Current Materials Science Literature.** 1–3 hours. Reports and discussion of current materials science research published in journals and other means of dissemination of research.
- **5950. Master's Thesis.** 3 or 6 hours. To be scheduled only with consent of department, 6 hours of credit required. No credit assigned until thesis has been completed and filed with the graduate dean. Continuous enrollment required once work on thesis has begun. May be repeated for credit.
- **5960. Materials Science Institute.** 1–6 hours. For students accepted by the university as participants in special institute programs. May be repeated for credit, not to exceed a total of 6 hours in each course. Laboratory fee required.

- **6000. Quantum Mechanics for Materials Scientists.** 3 hours. The Schrödinger equation, atomic theory, solid state theory, band structure, tunneling and scattering with an emphasis on materials properties. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5500 or consent of department.
- 6100. Mechanical Properties of Materials. 3 hours. Stress, strain and the basics of concepts in deformation and fracture for metals, polymers and ceramics. Analysis of important mechanical properties such as plastic flow, creep, fatigue, fracture toughness and rupture. Application of these principles to the design of improved materials and engineering structures. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5600 or consent of department.
- **6110. Applied Fracture Mechanics.** 3 hours. Linear elastic fracture mechanics, elastic-plastic fracture mechanics, time dependent failure, creep and fatigue, experimental analysis of fracture and failure of metals, ceramics, polymers and composites. Failure analysis related to material, product design, manufacturing and product. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 6100 or consent of department.
- **6120.** Composite Material. 3 hours. Fibers; matrix materials; interfaces; polymer matrix composites; metal matrix composites; ceramic matrix composites; carbon fiber composites; micromechanics, macromechanics, laminate theory and application, design, failure analysis. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 6100 or consent of department.
- **6200.** Imperfections in Solids. 3 hours. Point defects in semiconductors, metals, ceramics and non-ideal defect structures; non-equilibrium conditions produced by irradiation or quenching; effects or defects on electrical and physical properties, effects of defects at interfaces between differing materials. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5500 or consent of department.
- **6210.** Deformation Mechanisms in Solid Materials. 3 hours. Discussions on microelasticity and microplasticity of materials. Application of dislocation theory to understand deformation mechanisms related to strengthening. Interactions of dislocation with solute precipitates, dispersoid, grain boundary and barriers are presented. Deformation mechanisms in amorphous and polymeric materials.

Micromechanisms of deformation in fatigue, creep, creep-

fatigue and strain-rate loading are described.

- **6300.** Phase Transformations. 3 hours. Thermodynamics, kinetic and structural aspects of metallic and ceramic phase transformations; mechanisms and rate-determining factors in solid-phase reactions; diffusion processes, nucleation theory, precipitations from solid solution, order-disorder phenomena and applications of binary and ternary phase diagrams. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5300 or consent of department.
- **6400. Advanced Electron Microscopy.** 3 hours. Theory and applications of scanning and transmission electron microscopy; sample preparation and analytical techniques. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5600 or consent of department.
- **6610. Diffraction Science.** 3 hours. Diffraction theory; scattering and diffraction experiments; kinematic theory; dynamical theory; x-ray topography; crystal structure analysis; disordered crystals; quasi-crystals. Prerequisite(s): MTSC 5600, 5610 or consent of department.
- **6800. Selected Topics in Materials Science.** 3 hours. Topics from specialized areas of materials science, physics and chemistry. May be repeated for credit as topics vary.
- **6900-6910.** Special Problems. 1–3 hours each. Special problems in experimental or theoretical for advanced materials science graduate students. Problem chosen by the student with the approval of the supervising professor.

- **6940. Individual Research.** 1-3 hours. To be scheduled by the doctoral candidate engaged in research. May be repeated for credit
- **6950. Doctoral Dissertation.** 3, 6 or 9 hours. To be scheduled only with consent of department. 12 hours credit required. No credit assigned until dissertation has been completed and filed with the graduate dean. Doctoral students must maintain continuous enrollment in this course subsequent to passing qualifying examination for admission to candidacy. May be repeated for credit.
- **6970. Seminar for Doctoral Candidates.** 3 hours. Demonstration of competence in a specific area of materials science as evidenced by criteria established by the faculty of each discipline. May be repeated for credit.
- **6990. Postdoctoral Research.** 3 hours. For postdoctoral fellows to further training and research experience in developing and solving problems independently. Prerequisite(s): consent of department. May be repeated for credit.

Mathematics

The content of courses will vary from time to time, reflecting current trends and recent developments.

Mathematics, MATH

5000. Instructional Issues for the Professional

- Mathematician. 3 hours. Focus on various instructional issues from the perspective of the professional mathematician. Some major topics include course planning, the content of a course syllabus, lecture styles, the preparation and mechanics of lectures, the conduct of problem solving sessions, classroom management, the student-instructor relationship, examination formats, the preparation, administration and grading of examinations and the management of teaching assistants and graders. Prerequisite(s): consent of department.
- **5010.** Foundations of Mathematics. 3 hours. Mathematical logic and set theory; axiomatic methods; cardinal arithmetic; ordered sets and ordinal numbers; the axiom of choice and its equivalent forms; the continuum hypothesis. Prerequisite(s): consent of department.
- **5050.** Linear Programming. 3 hours. Convex polyhedra, simplex method, duality theory, network flows, integer programming, ellipsoidal method, applications to modeling and game theory. Prerequisite(s): consent of department.
- **5110-5120. Introduction to Analysis.** 3 hours each. A rigorous development for the real case of the theories of continuous functions, differentiation, Riemann integration, infinite sequences and series, uniform convergence and related topics; an introduction to the complex case.
- **5200. Topics in Dynamical Systems.** 3 hours. Dynamical systems in one and higher dimensions. Linearization of hyperbolic fixed points. Hamiltonian systems and twist maps. The concept of topological conjugacy and structural stability. Anosov diffeomorphisms, geodesic flow and attractors. Chaotic long-term behavior of these hyperbolic systems. Measures of complexity. Prerequisite(s): consent of department.
- 5210-5220. Numerical Analysis. 3 hours each. A rigorous mathematical analysis of numerical methods: norms, error analysis, linear systems, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, iterative methods of solving non-linear systems, polynomial and spline approximation, numerical differentiation and integration, numerical solution or ordinary and partial differential equations. Prerequisite(s): FORTRAN programming or consent of department.