# Thermodynamics of Materials

## **MATSCEN 2251**

#### **Credit Hours:**

3.00

#### **Course Levels:**

Undergraduate (1000-5000 level)

### **Course Components:**

Lecture

## **Course Description:**

Fundamental basis of three laws of thermodynamics, phase equilibria, reaction equilibria, solution theory, and phase diagrams and electrochemistry.

#### **Prerequisites and Co-requisites:**

Prereq: 2010, Physics 1250 or 1260, Math 1151 or 1161, and Chem 1210 or 1250; and enrollment as MatScEn-BS or WeldEng-BS student; or permission of instructor.

#### Course Goals / Objectives:

- Learn basic concepts related to three laws of thermodynamics, phase equilibria, reaction equilibria, solution theory, phase diagrams and electrochemistry
- Learn to calculate a wide range of thermodynamic properties from a limited number of experimental data
- Learn how to determine stability of materials under a given condition
- Learn how to determine what reactions will or will not occur under a specified condition

## **Course Topics:**

- Introduction: criterion for stability of materials, basic concepts, definition of processes and systems
- First Law and its applications
- Enthalpy and Heat capacity
- Calculation of enthalpy changes
- Entropy and the Second law
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- Second law and free energy
- Stability diagrams and stability boundaries
- Thermodynamics of mixing and solution thermodynamics
- Phase diagrams including ternary and alloy phase diagrams
- Reaction equilibria
- Thermodynamics of electrochemistry

## **Designation:**

Required