# Welding of Plastics and Composites

# WELDENG 4406

### **Credit Hours:**

3.00

#### **Course Levels:**

Undergraduate (1000-5000 level)

### **Course Components:**

Lecture

# **Course Description:**

Theory and practice in welding of plastics and polymeric composites, including theory and analysis of welding processes, part and joint design, and process selection.

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

Prereq: 4201, and enrollment as a WeldEng-BS major; or permission of instructor.

### **Course Goals / Objectives:**

- Understand structure and properties and plastics and polymeric composites
- Ability to understand theory for general plastic welding steps
- Ability to understand theory for, use simple models of, and design joints for plastic welding processes
- Ability to evaluate application and select welding process

# **Course Topics:**

- Introduction to structure and properties of polymers and polymeric composites.
- Hot plate welding and welding steps.
- Hot gas and extrusion welding.
- Implant resistance and induction welding.
- Ultrasonic welding.
- Vibration and spin (friction) welding.
- Radio frequency and microwave welding.
- Infrared and laser welding.
- Case studies.

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# **Designation:**

Elective