# PROGRAMME DOCUMENT FOR RESEARCH DEGREE PROGRAMMES

#### 1.General Information

Programme Title	Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)/Master of Philosophy (MPhil) in Applied Physics
<b>Programme Code:</b>	88011 (full-time PhD), 88111 (part-time PhD), 88012 (full-time MPhil), 88112 (part-time MPhil)
<b>Host Department</b>	Department of Applied Physics
<b>Medium of Instruction</b>	English
Mode of Study	Full-time/Part-time (FT/PT)
Duration	4-Year PhD FT: 48 months normal, 72 months maximum PT: 96 months normal, 108 months maximum 3-Year PhD FT: 36 months normal, 60 months maximum PT: 72 months normal, 84 months maximum 2-Year MPhil FT: 24 months normal, 36 months maximum PT: 48 months normal, 60 months maximum
Requirement for Graduation	Coursework Components  4-Year PhD - At least 22 credits  3-Year PhD - At least 15 credits  2-Year MPhil - At least 9 credits  Research Components  A thesis and an oral examination on the thesis are required for both PhD and MPhil.
Final Award	M.Phil. or Ph.D. degree dependent on the enrollment

#### 2.Programme Structure

# Coursework components:

4-Year PhD (22 credits)

Ethics: Research, Professional & Personal Perspectives (1 credit)

Research Seminars III (4 credits)

Practicum (2 credits)

5 Elective Subjects (15 credits)

3-Year PhD (15 credits)

Ethics: Research, Professional & Personal Perspectives (1 credit)

Research Seminars II (3 credits)

Practicum (2 credits)

3 Elective Subjects (9 credits)

2-Year MPhil (9 credits)

Ethics: Research, Professional & Personal Perspectives (1 credit)

Research Seminars I (2 credits)

2 Elective Subjects (6 credits)

## Research components:

Students are required to submit a thesis when their study is completed. The thesis should summarize the findings of the student's original and independent research.

An oral examination on the submitted thesis is required for the student. The oral examination comprises the following parts where the sequence is to be determined by individual board of examiners (BoE):

- A closed session in which the BoE holds a preliminary discussion in the student's absence.
- A full oral presentation by the student to the BoE and others in attendance.
- An open question period, involving the members of the BoE and others in attendance. Questions from the floor must be addressed through the Chair of the BoE, who will exercise discretion on the appropriateness of a question to be put forward to the examinee.
- A session involving further discussion between the student and the BoE.
- A closed session, in which the BoE assesses the thesis and the student's performance in the student's absence.
- A closed session, in which the BoE informs the student of the BoE's recommendations.

#### 3.The Rationale, Aims and Intended Learning Outcome of the Programme

University Overarching Aims of Research Degree Programmes	Intended Learning Outcomes of M.Phil. and Ph.D. Programmes*
The research degree programmes are designed in such a way to enable the student to:  a. acquire competence in research methods and scholarship; and  b. display sustained independent effort and independent original thought.	Upon completion of the programmes, Ph.D. and M.Phil. students will be able to  a1. solve theoretical or/and experimental problems of the related research field of studies with the previous accumulated knowledge and problem solving skills,  a2. communicate clearly and effectively in English, excel in report writing and presentation skill,  a3. collaborate smoothly with others in team work, demonstrate a sense of responsibility, accountability, leadership and team spirit,  b1. develop capability of independent thinking, and  b2. possess a desire for life-long learning and self-learning.
The PhD programmes should target to produce academics or industrial R & D professionals.	In addition to the above learning outcomes (a1-a3 and b1-b2), PhD students are also expected to be able to  a4. discover new problems and formulate the problems to analyze, evaluate, synthesize and propose solutions to problems of a general nature with innovative/creative ideas where appropriate,  a5. understand the knowledge of the research subjects extensively and thoroughly and publish their research findings as journal articles; and  b3. develop a future career in their field of professions making use of their depth foundation built in the study as academics, researchers or industrial R&D professionals.

#### 4.The Curriculum

#### M.Phil /Ph.D. in Applied Physics

Stage/ Semester	Subject Code	Subject	Credit	Compulsory/ Elective	Pre- requisite	Remarks
1/1	HTI6081	Ethics: Research, Professional & Personal Perspectives	1	С	None	
All	AP601	Research Seminars I	2	С	None	Students are recommended to complete one credit per
All	AP602	Research Seminars II	3	С	None	year (for full-time students) or per two years (for part- time students) to fulfil the above- mentioned
All	AP603	Research Seminars III	4	С	None	requirement, with an overall assessment grade of Pass and Fail. However, as deemed appropriate by the Chief Supervisor, they are allowed to complete at most two credits per year (for full-time students) or per two years (for part-time students to fulfil the research seminar credit requirement.
D	AP605	Practicum	2	С	None	Students are allowed to complete these two credits any time before they graduate. They can choose to complete these two credits in two different semesters or within the same semester, subject to the approval of the Chief Supervisor. Stipend recipients are allowed to fulfill part of their departmental training requirement through the completion of these compulsory training credits.  For students who are required to undertake teaching supporting activities, they should be required to complete the training programmes orgainsed by the EDC and ELC before the commencement of any teaching supporting activities.
D	AP616	Smart Materials	3	Е	None	
		and Structures				

D	AP617	Advanced Instrumentation for	3	Е	None	
D	AP618	Science and Technology of Micro- and Nano-	3	Е	None	
D	AP619	Microfabrication Laboratory	3	Е	None	
D	AP6911	Guided study in Physics of Low-Dimensional	3	Е	None	For the number of guided study subjects that can be taken,
D	AP6912	Guided Study in Polymer Electronics	3	Е	None	no more than 10 credits for 4-year full-time PhD/8-year part-time PhD,
D	AP6913	Guided Study in Optical Properties of Luminescent Materials	3	Е	None	No more than 6 credits for 3-year full-time PhD/6-year part-time PhD, and No more than 4 credits for 2-year full-time PhD/4-year
D	AP6914	Guided Study in Ferroelectric Materials	3	Е	None	part-time PhD, are allowed.
D	AP6915	Guided Study on Research Topics in Applied Physics	3	Е	None	

D – dependent on the arrangement from department

#### Elective subjects (E) offered by other departments/universities

For PhD or MPhil students who find difficulty in taking the suggested elective courses from the curriculum, they could propose other available research postgraduate subjects offered by other departments/universities as their elective courses but subject to approval from DRC.

#### **Curriculum Map**

The curriculum map gives a holistic view of the programme to which each intended learning outcome will be taught and assessed in the programme (see "The Rationale, Aims and Intended Learning Outcome of the Programme" section). The corresponding curriculum map is given in the Appendix - **Attachment II**.

#### **5.Summary of the Subject Information**

Subject Code	Subject Name	Credit	Pre- requisite	Teaching Methods	Assessment Methods
HTI6081	Ethics: Research, Professional & Personal Perspectives	1	None	Lecture/seminar/ workshop	Report /presentation
AP601	Research Seminars I	2	None	seminar/ workshop/ conference	Attendance/ report
AP602	Research Seminars II	3	None	seminar/ workshop/ conference	Attendance/ report
AP603	Research Seminars III	4	None	seminar/ workshop/ conference	Attendance/ report
AP605	Practicum	2	None	Lecture and Hands- on experiments	SFQ, HoD/DoS/delegate review
AP616	Smart Materials and Structures	3	None	Lecture and Hands- on experiments	Continuous assessment and examination
AP617	Advanced Instrumentation for Materials Analysis	3	None	Lecture and Hands- on experiments	Continuous assessment and examination
AP618	Science and Technology of Micro- and Nano- systems	3	None	Lecture and Hands- on experiments	Continuous assessment and examination
AP619	Microfabrication Laboratory	3	None	Lecture and Hands- on experiments	Continuous assessment and Test
AP6911	Guided study in Physics of Low- Dimensional Materials	3	None	Personal supervision and training	Report
AP6912	Guided Study in Polymer Electronics	3	None	Personal supervision and training	Report
AP6913	Guided Study in Optical Properties of Luminescent Materials	3	None	Personal supervision and training	Report
AP6914	Guided Study in Ferroelectric Materials	3	None	Personal supervision and training	Report
AP6915	Guided Study on Research Topics in Applied Physics	3	None	Personal supervision and training	Report

The detailed Subject Description Forms of all subjects are given in the Appendix.

#### **6. Terms and Conditions**

This Programme Document is subject to review and changes which the programme offering Faculty/Department/School can decide to make from time to time. Students will be informed of the changes as and when appropriate.

This Document should be read together with the "Regulations and Administrative Procedures for the Degrees of MPhil and PhD" and the "Research Student Handbook".

#### **Appendix**

- 1) Attachment II Curriculum Map for Individual Research Degree Programme
- 2) Attachment III Subject Description Form
  - HTI6081
  - AP601
  - AP602
  - AP603
  - AP605
  - AP616
  - AP617
  - AP618
  - AP619
  - AP6911
  - AP6912
  - AP6913
  - AP6914
  - AP6915

#### **Curriculum Map for Individual Research Degree Programme**

Programme Title: M.Phil. /Ph.D. in Applied Physics

Hosted by: Department of Applied Physics

Programme Outcomes	Subject HTI6081	Seminar AP601 –603	Practicum AP605	Subjects AP616 –619	Subjects AP6911 – 6915	Thesis
To educate students a deep appreciation of ethical guidelines and codes of conduct.	4					
Capable to deliver oral presentation and written report to a very high international standard.		4	4		4	√
Demonstrate independent effort and original creativity.		√			4	√
Develop experimental skills through laboratory work experience.			4		✓	
5. Study the advanced fabrication technology of novel nano- and micro- materials and the applications of systems. Advanced instruments for materials analysis are also included in the study.				√		
6. Broadband studies on some specific topics related to material science, optoelectronics materials and devices, and theory studies of materials and systems.					4	
7. In-depth analysis & study of the selected research topics.					4	<b>√</b>

Subject Code	HTI6081
Subject Title	Ethics: Research, Professional & Personal Perspectives
Credit Value	1
Level	6
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	None
Objectives	To instill in students a deep appreciation of ethical guidelines and codes of conduct that they can apply in their research studies at PolyU and in their future professional and personal lives.
Intended Learning Outcomes	<ol> <li>On successful completion of this subject, students will be able to:         <ol> <li>Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the need for ethical behavior and guiding codes of ethics in research and the professions.</li> <li>Understand, discuss and apply ethical principles and codes across a range of disciplines and scenarios</li> <li>Demonstrate awareness of current ethical issues and problems in relation to their own discipline and research area</li> <li>Critically analyze and discuss scenarios cases of possible or actual ethical misconduct</li> <li>Discuss how the guiding principles of ethics in research extend and apply to business, professional and personal codes of conduct and why this important to integrity and the well-being of business, the professions and our community.</li> <li>Show a fundamental understanding of the issues of copyright, plagiarism and proper citation, and be able to apply this in their own work.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ul> <li>The need for ethics training and the meaning of ethical behavior in research: case studies, disasters and learning by the mistakes of others:</li> <li>Philosophy and codes of ethics and their origins.</li> <li>Culture, religion and the law – how these relate to ethical codes of conduct.</li> <li>Obtaining ethical approval for a research project: procedures and processes.</li> <li>Ethics in life science, humanities, education, business and industry: common issues, guiding principles, discipline specific scenarios</li> <li>Ethics and human behavior: individual, professional and societal responsibilities.</li> <li>Recent ethical issues affecting Hong Kong and society in general</li> <li>Ethical use of information in thesis writing: understanding copyright, plagiarism and proper citation.</li> </ul>

Teaching/Learning Methodology	Lecture/seminar/workshop								
Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick a appropriate)						
Outcomes	1. Discipline specific scenario/case study analysis (to be graded by chief supervisor of each RPgs)	50	_ a						
	2. Group assignment (e.g. debate, presentation, production of written material such as a poster or booklet)	50		1					
	Total	100 %							
	<ul> <li>a. Discipline specific scenario/case study analysis will assess ability to identify and analyze ethical issues in the student's own discipline and to present a coherent and detailed critique and plan on how these could be avoided or resolved (giving sources and written work accompanied by a Turn-it-in Report).</li> <li>b. The group assignment will assess the student's ability to identify, discuss and analyze ethical principles and issues from a wide perspective, and evaluate how individual, professions and societies benefit from following ethically acceptable behavior and practices.</li> </ul>								
Student Study	Class contact:								
Effort Expected	Lecture/seminar/work	shop				15 Hrs.			
	Other student study effort:								
	Self-study and group v	work					30	Hrs.	
	Assignment preparation					15Hrs.			
	Total student study effort 60 Hrs.								
Reading List and References	Materials from the Hong K (http://www.icac.org.hk/hl Materials from EthicsWeb. (http://www.ethicsweb.ca/ Selected readings and video Declaration of Helsinki (re	kedc/eng/libi ca resources/pr os	rary2.as	sp)					

Subject Code	AP601
Subject Title	Research seminars I
Credit Value	2
Level	6
Pre-requisite /	
Co-requisite/	None
Exclusion	
Objectives	<ul> <li>The main objectives of this series of research seminars/workshops are to</li> <li>provide an opportunity for our research students and research staff to present the latest results of their research achievement to their peers,</li> <li>bring together research students, research staff, and professors within AP department to exchange and share knowledge and experience on various aspects of scientific research,</li> <li>provide an in-depth analysis and study of specific research topics and update the knowledge of recent development in the related research communities, and to</li> <li>invite local and oversea research scientists/professors to present their recent advancement and/or to explain their view in the future development of research areas of excellent.</li> <li>Hence, this series of research seminars/workshops will</li> <li>bring together research students, research staff, academicians and experts to exchange and share knowledge and experience on various aspects of scientific research with the invited speakers, and</li> <li>improve our connection and visibility to the research communities.</li> </ul>
Intended Learning Outcomes	<ul> <li>Upon completion of the research seminars /workshops, students will be able to:</li> <li>achieve instant critical thinking – analysis and evaluation of assumption, claims, evidence, and arguments during the short period of discussion as well as raise questions.</li> <li>improve information literacy – develop capability to distinguish different kinds of information sources, composing search strategies, and retrieving useful and relevant information.</li> <li>refill communication skill – demonstrate the capability in written and spoken (English as a medium) to present and discuss research information within the scientific community and society.</li> <li>establish networking – get to know researchers and scientists in their field of studies.</li> </ul>
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ul> <li>Nanomaterials included 2D materials</li> <li>Photonic Materials and Devices</li> <li>Smart Materials and Devices</li> <li>Theoretical and Computational Physics</li> </ul>

Teaching/Learning Methodology Assessment	In order to stimulate and motivate the students' interest in the seminar/workshop participation, the hottest and latest advancement research topics will be presented. This will lead to the students' further exploration of potential novel research directions and studies as well as stimulate the students' creative thinking.									
Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	outco	omes to	ded subject learning mes to be assessed (Please s appropriate) b c					
(per year)	Attendance in 10     research seminars     Submission of one technical report on one	30	<b>√</b>		1					
	of the research seminars  3. Presentation  30  ✓  Total  100  a) Attendance in research seminars/workshops, b) language pro							•		
Student Study Effort Expected (per year)	writing skill for technical re Fail.  Contact:  Seminar attendance	port. The o				rude 1	20	Hrs.		
	■ Present at seminar/workshop/conference 2 Hrs Other student study effort:							Hrs.		
	learning						Hrs.			
Reading List and References	Provided by the speakers of the	ne seminars/v	vorksh	ops	,					

Subject Code	AP602
Subject Title	Research seminars II
Credit Value	3
Level	6
Pre-requisite /	
Co-requisite/	None
Exclusion	
Objectives	<ul> <li>The main objectives of this series of research seminars/workshops are to</li> <li>provide an opportunity for our research students and research staff to present the latest results of their research achievement to their peers,</li> <li>bring together research students, research staff, and professors within AP department to exchange and share knowledge and experience on various aspects of scientific research,</li> <li>provide an in-depth analysis and study of specific research topics and update the knowledge of recent development in the related research communities, and to</li> <li>invite local and oversea research scientists/professors to present their recent advancement and/or to explain their view in the future development of research areas of excellent.</li> <li>Hence, this series of research seminars/workshops will</li> <li>bring together research students, research staff, academicians and experts to exchange and share knowledge and experience on various aspects of</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>scientific research with the invited speakers, and</li> <li>improve our connection and visibility to the research communities.</li> </ul>
Outcomes	<ul> <li>Upon completion of the research seminars /workshops, students will be able to:</li> <li>achieve instant critical thinking – analysis and evaluation of assumption, claims, evidence, and arguments during the short period of discussion as well as raise questions.</li> <li>improve information literacy – develop capability to distinguish different kinds of information sources, composing search strategies, and retrieving useful and relevant information.</li> <li>refill communication skill – demonstrate the capability in written and spoken (English as a medium) to present and discuss research information within the scientific community and society.</li> <li>establish networking – get to know researchers and scientists in their field of studies.</li> </ul>
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ul> <li>Nanomaterials included 2D materials</li> <li>Photonic Materials and Devices</li> <li>Smart Materials and Devices</li> </ul>
	Theoretical and Computational Physics

Teaching/Learning Methodology Assessment	In order to stimulate and motivate the students' interest in the seminar/workshop participation, the hottest and latest advancement research topics will be presented. This will lead to the students' further exploration of potential novel research directions and studies as well as stimulate the students' creative thinking.										
Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	outco	omes to	d subject learning es to be assessed (Please ppropriate)						
(per year)	Attendance in 10     research seminars	40	1	1							
	2. Submission of one technical report on one of the research seminars	30			1						
	3. Presentation	30		1							
	Total	100									
	a) Attendance in research sen writing skill for technical repo Fail.										
Student Study	Contact:										
Effort Expected (per year)	Seminar attendance						20	Hrs.			
	Present at seminar/works	hop/conferer	nce				2	Hrs.			
	Other student study effort:										
	<ul> <li>Self-learning, report writing and independent learning</li> </ul>							Hrs.			
	Total student study effort						40	Hrs.			
Reading List and References	Provided by the speakers of the	ne seminars/w	vorksh	ops							

Subject Code	AP603
Subject Title	Research seminars III
Credit Value	4
Level	6
Pre-requisite /	
Co-requisite/	None
Exclusion	
Objectives	<ul> <li>The main objectives of this series of research seminars/workshops are to</li> <li>provide an opportunity for our research students and research staff to present the latest results of their research achievement to their peers,</li> <li>bring together research students, research staff, and professors within AP department to exchange and share knowledge and experience on various aspects of scientific research,</li> <li>provide an in-depth analysis and study of specific research topics and update the knowledge of recent development in the related research communities, and to</li> <li>invite local and oversea research scientists/professors to present their recent advancement and/or to explain their view in the future development of research areas of excellent.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Hence, this series of research seminars/workshops will</li> <li>bring together research students, research staff, academicians and experts to exchange and share knowledge and experience on various aspects of scientific research with the invited speakers, and</li> <li>improve our connection and visibility to the research communities.</li> </ul>
Intended Learning Outcomes	<ul> <li>Upon completion of the research seminars /workshops, students will be able to:</li> <li>achieve instant critical thinking – analysis and evaluation of assumption, claims, evidence, and arguments during the short period of discussion as well as raise questions.</li> <li>improve information literacy – develop capability to distinguish different kinds of information sources, composing search strategies, and retrieving useful and relevant information.</li> <li>refill communication skill – demonstrate the capability in written and spoken (English as a medium) to present and discuss research information within the scientific community and society.</li> <li>establish networking – get to know researchers and scientists in their field of studies.</li> </ul>
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ul> <li>Nanomaterials included 2D materials</li> <li>Photonic Materials and Devices</li> <li>Smart Materials and Devices</li> <li>Theoretical and Computational Physics</li> </ul>

Teaching/Learning Methodology Assessment	In order to stimulate and motivate the students' interest in the seminar/workshop participation, the hottest and latest advancement research topics will be presented. This will lead to the students' further exploration of potential novel research directions and studies as well as stimulate the students' creative thinking.							
Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	outco	intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please ick as appropriate)				
(per year)	1. Attendance in 10     research seminars     2. Submission of one     technical report on one     of the research seminars	30	✓	<b>/</b>	1			
	3. Presentation  Total  a) Attendance in research senwriting skill for technical reportable.							
Student Study Effort Expected (per year)	Present at seminar/workshop/conference						Hrs.	
	Other student study effort:  Self-learning, report writing and independent learning  Total student study effort  18 Hrs  40 Hrs							
Reading List and References	Provided by the speakers of the	ne seminars/w	vorksh	ops	l .			

Subject Code	AP605
Subject Title	Practicum
Credit Value	2
Level	6
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	All PhD students, irrespective of funding source and mode of study, <b>must</b> complete two training credits before graduation.
Objectives	The main objectives of departmental training are to
	• gain experience throughout the engagement in teaching/research supporting activities for 6 hours/week in any 13-week semester (for 1 credit), and
	• provide more teaching experience and training opportunity in order to widen the students' exposure for the development of their academic career.
Intended Learning Outcomes	Upon completion of the training, students will be able to:
	carry out independent teaching and research duties.
	improve communication skill and excel in teaching capability.
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	To be defined by the student's HoD/DoS or his/her delegate.
Teaching/Learning Methodology	Students who are required to undertake teaching supporting activities in their training credits will be required to complete a training programme on organized by the EDC as required by the Department/School. Students who are required to interact directly with students in English as a part of their duties in supporting teaching and learning must demonstrate their language competence to fulfill the intended duties to the satisfaction of the host department.  All eligible students except those who are native English speakers will also be required to successfully complete a language training programme offered by the ELC before taking up any teaching supporting activities.

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Assessment			1					
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Alignment with	methods/tasks	weighting	to be	asses	sed (Ple	ease ti	ck as	
Intended Learning			appropriate) a b c					
Outcomes								
Outcomes	Submission of an assessment report	50	1	1	1			
	Student feedback questionnaires	50	✓	✓				
	Total	100						
	a) Teaching ability, b) language proficiency and communication skill, c) writing skill for report. The overall assessment grade is of Pass or Fail.							riting
Student Study	Contact:							
Effort Expected	■ Teaching/research supporting activities					156 Hrs		
	Total student study effort						15	6 Hrs
Reading List and References	Provided by the HoD/DoS of	r his/her deleg	gate.		•			

Subject Code	AP616
Subject Title	Smart Materials and Structures
Credit Value	3
Level	6
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	None
Objectives	To introduce knowledge in material science including
	<ul> <li>the fundamentals of smart materials, devices and electronics, in particular those related to the development of smart structures and products; and</li> <li>the skills, knowledge and motivation in the design, analysis and</li> </ul>
	manufacturing of smart structures and products,
Intended I coming	to research students from different disciplines.
Intended Learning Outcomes	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:  a) understand the physical principles underlying the behavior of smart materials;
	b) understand the engineering principles in smart sensor, actuator and transducer technologies;
	c) use principles of measurement, signal processing, drive and control techniques necessary to developing smart structures and products; and
	d) appreciate and suggest improvement on the design, analysis, manufacturing and application issues involved in integrating smart materials and devices with signal processing and control capabilities to engineering smart structures and products.
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ul> <li>Overview of Smart Materials, Structures and Products Technologies</li> <li>Smart Materials (Physical Properties)</li> </ul>
	Smart Sensor, Actuator and Transducer Technologies
	Measurement, Signal Processing, Drive and Control Techniques
	Design, Analysis, Manufacturing and Applications of Engineering Smart Structures and Products
Teaching/Learning Methodology	In order to stimulate and motivate the students' interest in the study of material science and related topics, three experiments on piezoelectric, electrostrictive, magnetostrictive, magnetoelectric, magnetorheological fluid, electrorheological fluid, shape memory and fiber-optic sensor materials will be introduced in the studies. These proposed practical examples will demonstrate the importance of material science in our everyday life.

Assessment											
Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	be as	nded subsessed	(Please			nes to			
Outcomes			a	b	С	d	e				
Outcomes	1. Examination	60	1	1	1	1					
	2. Continuous assessment	40	1	1	1	1					
	Total	100 %									
	Students should have a) a basic understanding on the physical principles of smart materials, b) engineering principles of using smart materials in devices and applications, c) a basic understanding in measurement techniques and d) some knowledge to advance the engineering of smart structures and products – these are the intended learning outcomes.  Assignments will strengthen the students' basic knowledge and the analytical skill to solve the problems related to material science. Tests will review their understanding of the course and examination will accelerate their knowledge's										
Student Study	understanding and improve their manipulation on problem solving skills Hence, the proposed assessment methods are necessary to assess the intended learning outcomes (i.e., items a, b, c & d).										
Effort Expected	Class contact:										
-	<ul><li>Lectures</li></ul>					27 Hrs.					
	Other student study effor	t:									
	<ul><li>Self-study</li></ul>					81 Hrs.					
	<ul> <li>Laboratory</li> </ul>					12 Hrs.					
	Total student study effort						120 Hrs.				
Reading List and References		<ul> <li>M.V. Gandhi and B.S. Thompson, Smart Materials and Structures, Chapman &amp; Hall, London; New York, 1992 (ISBN: 0412370107).</li> </ul>									
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Subject Code	AP617
Subject Title	Advanced Instrumentation for Materials Analysis
Credit Value	3
Level	6
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	None
Objectives	To introduce knowledge in advanced instrumentation for materials analysis to research students from different disciplines.
Intended Learning Outcomes	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:  a) have an understanding on the principles and applications of a selected range of advanced instruments for materials analysis,  b) understand the methodology of materials testing for quality
	assurance and failure analysis, and c) develop students' experimental skills through laboratory work experience.
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ul> <li>Overview of the principles and techniques in materials characterization and failure analysis; testing codes and standards.</li> <li>Non-destructive testing methods: dye penetration, magnetic particles inspection, eddy currents, ultrasonics and radiography.</li> <li>Mechanical and thermal techniques: dynamic mechanical analysis, thermomechanical analysis, and differential scanning calorimetry.</li> <li>Microscopy: TEM, SEM, AFM, SAM and SLAM.</li> <li>Other structural, chemical and surface analyses: XRD, FTIR, Raman spectroscopy, RHEED, RBS, EDX, LIMS and other novel techniques using plasma and post-ionization.</li> <li>Hands-on experiments of using some of the available advanced instruments/facilities in our research centers.</li> </ul>
Teaching/Learning Methodology	In order to stimulate and motivate the students' interest in the study of material science and related topics, hands-on experiments will be offered for students to gain experience on the characterization of the electrical and physical properties of some materials.

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Assessment	Specific assessment	%		ided sub				es to	
Methods in	methods/tasks	weighting	be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)  a b c d e						
Alignment with									
Intended Learning		(0)		+	1	a	е		
Outcomes	1. Examination	60	1	<b>✓</b>	1				
	2. Continuous assessment	40	1	1	1				
	Total	100 %		I					
Student Study Effort Expected	Students should have a) a basic understanding on the operation princip some advanced instruments, b) gained knowledge in the quality assurantial failure analysis of materials, and c) developed experimental skills through the studies – these are the intended learning outcomes.  Assignments will strengthen the students' basic knowledge and the analysis to solve the problems related to different advanced measure techniques for materials. Tests will review their understanding of the cour examination will accelerate their knowledge's understanding and improve manipulation on problem solving. Hence, the proposed assessment method necessary to assess the intended learning outcomes (i.e., items a, b, & c).  Class contact:							alytical arement arse and we their	
	<ul><li>Lectures/Seminar</li><li>Other student study effor</li></ul>	 t:							
	<ul><li>Self-study</li></ul>					81 Hrs.			
	■ Laboratory						12 Hrs.		
	Total student study effort	t					120	0 Hrs.	
Reading List and References	<ul> <li>Peter J. Shull (Ed.),</li> <li>Frank H. Chung an Diffraction', Marcel</li> <li>Joseph I. Goldst Microanalysis: A To Second Edition, Klu</li> <li>Charles E. Lyma Microanalysis and</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Peter J. Shull (Ed.), 'Nondestructive Evaluation', Marcel Dekker, 2002.</li> <li>Frank H. Chung and Deane K. Smith,' Industrial Applications of X Diffraction', Marcel Dekker, 1999.</li> <li>Joseph I. Goldstein,' Scanning Electron Microscopy and X-Microanalysis: A Text for Biologists, Materials Scientists, and Geologi Second Edition, Kluwer Academic, Publishers, 1992.</li> </ul>						O2.  f X-ray  X-Ray ogists',  X-Ray	

Subject Code	AP618
<b>Subject Title</b>	Science and Technology of Micro- and Nano- systems
Credit Value	3
Level	6
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	None
Objectives	To introduce knowledge in the field of micro- and nano- technologies to research students from different disciplines.
Intended Learning	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:
Outcomes	a) obtain a concept on the scope and recent development of the science and technology of micro- and nano-systems;
	b) gain the physical knowledge underlying the operation principles and design of micro- and nano-systems;
	c) gain the technical knowledge required for computer-aided design, fabrication, analysis and characterization of nano-structured materials, micro- and nano-scale devices;
	d) learn some typical or potentially applicable micro- and nano-systems at the frontier of the development of the field;
	e) gain hands-on experience on characterization and fabrication of some micro- and nano-systems.
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ul> <li>Overview of the science and technology of micro- and nano-systems</li> <li>Physics in micro- and nano-systems: mechanics for micro- and nano-systems, fluid dynamics for micro- and nano- systems, heat conduction in micro- and nano- systems and quantum phenomena in nano-systems.</li> <li>Micro- and nano-fabrication principles and techniques: basic micro-</li> </ul>
	and nano-fabrication techniques, MEMS fabrication techniques, packaging, measurement techniques and computer-aided design.
	<ul> <li>Applications and devices: design of microaccelerometers and pressure sensors, microfluidic systems, biochemistry and medical applications, MEMS for information technology and nanoelectronics etc.</li> </ul>
Teaching/Learning Methodology	In order to stimulate and motivate the students' interest in the study of material science and related topics, four experiments will be offered for the students to gain experience on nanoindentation, atomic force microscopy, carbon nanotube fabrication and operation of some MEMS devices. These proposed practical examples will demonstrate the

	importance of material science in our everyday life.								
Assessment Methods in Alignment with	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	be as	nded subsessed opriate)	(Please			nes to	
Intended Learning			a	b	С	d	e		
Outcomes Outcomes	1. Examination	60	1	1	1	1	1		
	2. Continuous assessment	40	1	✓	1	1	1		
	Total	100 %						<u> </u>	
	problems related to the rexperience in micro- an outcomes.  Assignments will streng skill to solve the problem review their understanding knowledge's understanding skills. Hence, the proposition of the p	then the students related to a sing of the couing and improosed assessments.	ents' b micro- rse an ve thei	pasic kr and na d exam ir mani	nowled no- technination pulation	ge and chnolog will a	the argies. To	nalytical ests will ate their solving	
Student Study	intended learning outcomes (i.e., items a, b, c, d & e).  Class contact:								
Effort Expected	Lectures/Seminar						27 Hrs.		
	Other student study effor	rt:							
	■ Self-study					81 Hrs.			
	<ul> <li>Laboratory</li> </ul>					12 Hrs.			
	Total student study effort						120 Hrs.		
Reading List and References	• T.R. Hsu, MEMS McGraw Hill, 200	•	ems d	lesign	and m	anufac	ture, l	Boston,	
	• S.E. Lyshevski, N Raton, CRC Press		icroel	ectrom	nechan	ical sy	ystems	, Boca	
	• R. Waser (ed.), Aachen, Wiley-Vo		onics	and	inforn	nation	techi	nology,	
	• B. Bhushan, Springer-Verlag, 2	•	dbook	of	nanote	echnol	ogy,	Berlin,	
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- M.J. Madou, Fundamentals of microfabrication: the science of miniaturization, Boca Raton, CRC Press, 2002.

#### **Subject Description Form**

Please read the notes at the end of the table carefully before completing the form.

Subject Code	AP619
Subject Title	Microfabrication Laboratory
Credit Value	3
Level	6
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	Nil
Objectives	To make the students familiar with the microfabrication concepts,
Intended Learning Outcomes (Note 1)  Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ul> <li>materials and methods that are typically used in a cleanroom.</li> <li>Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to: <ul> <li>a) understand the basic knowledge of a cleanroom, the working procedures, and the safety aspects;</li> <li>b) understand the principles behind the design and fabrication of semiconductor devices and the effect of processes on their performance;</li> <li>c) have a thorough understanding of the available fabrication technologies; and</li> <li>d) experimentally carry out a simple process recipe using the most common microfabrication techniques.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Physical principles of IC fabrication processes;</li> <li>Surface preparation;</li> </ul>
(Note 2)	<ul> <li>Surface preparation;</li> <li>Thermal processes;</li> <li>Chemical and physical vapor depositions;</li> <li>Resist coating and removal;</li> <li>Mask fabrication and advanced lithography;</li> <li>Etching techniques;</li> <li>Process characterization;</li> </ul>
Teaching/Learning Methodology (Note 3)	In order to stimulate and motivate the students' interest in the study of cleanroom microfabrication technologies, several cleanroom microfabrication experiments will be offered to the students for them to gain hands-on experience on the growth of SiO <sub>2</sub> thin film by thermal oxidation, CVD, PVD, lithography, patterning and etching. These proposed practical examples will demonstrate the importance of microfabrication in the forefront of modern microelectronics.

Assessment	I							
Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	Intend outcor (Please	ed				
Outcomes (Note 4)	1. Written test	50	a ✓	b ✓	c ✓			
	2. Continuous assessment	50			1			
	Total	100 %	1	✓	✓			
	Total	100 %						
	Students should a) have gain working procedures, and the the principles behind the desi and the effect of processes understanding of the available experimentally carry out a simicrofabrication techniques.  The continuous assessment is and presentation. Assignmental knowledge and the analytic cleanroom microfabrication experimental skills on munderstanding of the course knowledge understanding at Hence, the proposed assess intended learning outcomes (	safety aspection and fabrication their period fabrication imple process and skill to technological skill to techno	ts; b) hacation of rformar a technology recipe laborate trengthe solve to their ds are	ave gained knowledge is of semiconductor devices once; c) have a thoroug plogies; and d) be able to using the most common enterprise of the students, reported the problems related to well as the cleanroomets will review the problem solving skills necessary to assess the problem solving skills necessary to assess the problems of the problem solving skills necessary to assess the problems of the problem solving skills necessary to assess the problems of the pr				
Student Study Effort Expected	Class contact:							
_	<ul> <li>Lectures</li> </ul>	18 Hrs.						
	<ul> <li>Laboratory</li> </ul>		21 Hrs.					
	Other student study effort:							
	<ul><li>Self-study</li></ul>					81 Hrs.		
	Total student study effort 120 Hrs.							
Reading List and References	<ul> <li>S. Franssila, Introduction to Microfabrication, John Wiley 2010.</li> <li>J. D. Plummer, M. D. Deal, and P. B. Griffin, Silic Technology, Prentice Hall, 2000.</li> <li>S.Wolf &amp; R.N.Tauber, Silicon Processing for the VLSI E 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Lattice, 2000.</li> <li>M. Madou, Fundamentals of Microfabrication, CRC Press,</li> </ul>							

Subject Code	AP6911							
Subject Title	Guided Study in Physic	cs of Low-D	imensi	ional M	<b>I</b> aterial	ls		
Credit Value	3	3						
Level	6	6						
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	None	None						
Objectives	<ul><li>materials through</li><li>To enhance studen</li></ul>	materials through literature searching in various fields						
Intended Learning Outcomes	a) acquire knowledge development of lo in their respective f	development of low-dimensional materials from literature searching in their respective fields; and  b) improve skills in writing collective materials on current topics of						
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	supervisor with ad	<ul> <li>Students must submit the completed guided study report to supervisor with adequate literature references.</li> <li>Students should consult supervisor regularly about the progress of</li> </ul>						
Teaching/Learning Methodology	The students required to meet their supervisor(s) regularly, submit report with full list of related references.						report	
Assessment Methods in Alignment with	Specific assessment % Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)							
Intended Learning Outcomes	1. Literature report	100%	a ✓	b ✓	С	d	e	
	Total	100 %						
	Explanation of the approintended learning outcom  1. Supervisor(s) will go and give a final grade	ne:  o through the l	iteratu					

Student Study	Class contact:	
Effort Expected	Lectures/Seminar	27 Hrs.
	Other student study effort:	
	Literature search	51 Hrs.
	<ul> <li>Writing report</li> </ul>	42 Hrs.
	Total student study effort	120 Hrs.
Reading List and References	To be suggested by the corresponding supervisor(s).	

Subject Code	AP6912							
Subject Title	Guided Study in Polyn	ner Electronic	cs					
Credit Value	3	3						
Level	6	6						
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	None	None						
Objectives	<ul><li>electronics through</li><li>To enhance student</li></ul>	electronics through literature searching in various fields						
Intended Learning Outcomes	<ul><li>a) acquire knowledge development of po respective fields; an</li><li>b) improve skills in</li></ul>	development of polymer electronics from literature searching in their respective fields; and						
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ul> <li>Students must s supervisor with ad</li> <li>Students should c the literature revie</li> </ul>	supervisor with adequate literature references.						
Teaching/Learning Methodology	The students required to meet their supervisor(s) regularly, submit report with full list of related references.						report	
Assessment Methods in Alignment with	Specific assessment methods/tasks weighting weighting be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)  Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)						les to	
Intended Learning Outcomes	1. Literature report	100%	a ✓	b 🗸	С	d	e	
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	Explanation of the approintended learning outcom  1. Supervisor(s) will go and give a final grade	ne:  o through the l	iteratu					

Student Study	Class contact:	
Effort Expected	■ Lectures/Seminar	27 Hrs.
	Other student study effort:	
	■ Literature search	51 Hrs.
	■ Writing report	42 Hrs.
	Total student study effort	120 Hrs.
Reading List and References	To be suggested by the corresponding supervisor(s).	

Subject Code	AP6913							
Subject Title	Guided Study in Optic	al Properties	of Lu	minesc	ent Ma	aterials	S	
Credit Value	3	3						
Level	6	6						
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	None	None						
Objectives	<ul> <li>To broaden student's research knowledge related to luminescent materials through literature searching in various fields</li> <li>To enhance student's writing skill through their own research work or topics of their interest.</li> </ul>							
Intended Learning Outcomes	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:  a) acquire knowledge and awareness of the latest advances in research development of luminescent materials from literature searching in their respective fields; and  b) improve skills in writing collective materials on current topics of interests.							
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	supervisor with ad	<ul> <li>Students must submit the completed guided study report to supervisor with adequate literature references.</li> <li>Students should consult supervisor regularly about the progress of</li> </ul>						
Teaching/Learning Methodology	The students required to meet their supervisor(s) regularly, submit report with full list of related references.						report	
Assessment Methods in Alignment with	Specific assessment weighting weighting be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)  Multiple specific assessment weighting be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)						es to	
Intended Learning Outcomes	1. Literature report	100%	a ✓	b ✓	С	d	e	
	Total 100 %							
	Explanation of the approintended learning outcom  1. Supervisor(s) will go and give a final grade	ne: o through the l	iteratu					

Student Study	Class contact:	
Effort Expected	Lectures/Seminar	27 Hrs.
	Other student study effort:	
	Literature search	51 Hrs.
	<ul> <li>Writing report</li> </ul>	42 Hrs.
	Total student study effort	120 Hrs.
Reading List and References	To be suggested by the corresponding supervisor(s).	

Subject Code	AP6914							
Subject Title	Guided Study in Ferroe	lectric Mate	rials					
Credit Value	3							
Level	6	6						
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	None	None						
Objectives	<ul> <li>To broaden student's research knowledge related to ferroelectric materials through literature searching in various fields</li> <li>To enhance student's writing skill through their own research work or topics of their interest.</li> </ul>							
Intended Learning Outcomes	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:  a) acquire knowledge and awareness of the latest advances in research development of ferroelectric materials from literature searching in their respective fields; and  b) improve skills in writing collective materials on current topics of interests.							
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ul> <li>Students must submit the completed guided study report to supervisor with adequate literature references.</li> <li>Students should consult supervisor regularly about the progress of the literature reviewing progress.</li> </ul>							
Teaching/Learning Methodology	The students required to with full list of related in	o meet their		visor(s	) regul	arly, s	ubmit	report
Assessment Methods in Alignment with	Specific assessment % Intended subject learning outcomes to weighting be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)							
Intended Learning Outcomes	1. Literature report	100%	a ✓	b ✓	С	d	e	
	Total 100 %							
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Student Study	Class contact:	
Effort Expected	Lectures/Seminar	27 Hrs.
	Other student study effort:	
	Literature search	51 Hrs.
	<ul> <li>Writing report</li> </ul>	42 Hrs.
	Total student study effort	120 Hrs.
Reading List and References	To be suggested by the corresponding supervisor(s).	

Subject Code	AP6915							
Subject Title	Guided Study on Research	arch Topics i	n App	lied Pl	nysics			
Credit Value	3	3						
Level	6	6						
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	None	None						
Objectives	through literature	through literature searching in various fields  • To enhance student's writing skill through their own research work						
Intended Learning Outcomes	a) acquire knowledge development in apprespective fields; an	development in applied physics from literature searching in their respective fields; and						
	interests.							
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	supervisor with ad	supervisor with adequate literature references.  • Students should consult supervisor regularly about the progress of						
Teaching/Learning Methodology	The students required to meet their supervisor(s) regularly, submit report with full list of related references.						report	
Assessment Methods in Alignment with	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	be as	ided sub sessed opriate)	(Please	tick as	ī	es to
Intended Learning Outcomes	1. Literature report	100%	a ✓	b	С	d	e	
Outcomes	Total	100 %						
	Explanation of the approintended learning outcom  1. Supervisor(s) will go and give a final grade	ne:  o through the l	iteratu					

Student Study	Class contact:	
Effort Expected	■ Lectures/Seminar	27 Hrs.
	Other student study effort:	
	■ Literature search	51 Hrs.
	■ Writing report	42 Hrs.
	Total student study effort	120 Hrs.
Reading List and References	To be suggested by the corresponding supervisor(s).	