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## § 1: PREFACE

Pursuant to consolidation Act 172 of February 27, 2018 on Universities (the University Act) with subsequent changes, the following curriculum for the Master's program in Materials Technology is stipulated. The programme also follows the Joint Programme Regulations and the Examination Policies and Procedures for the The Faculty of Engineering and Science.

## § 2: BASIS IN MINISTERIAL ORDERS

The Master's programme is organised in accordance with the Ministry of Higher Education and Science's Order no. 1328 of November 15, 2016 on Bachelor's and Master's Programmes at Universities (the Ministerial Order of the Study Programmes) with subsequent changes and Ministerial Order no. 1062 of June 30, 2016 on University Examinations (the Examination Order) with subsequent changes. Further reference is made to Ministerial Order no. 106 of February 12, 2018 (the Admission Order) and Ministerial Order no. 114 of February 3, 2015 (the Grading Scale Order).

## § 3: CAMPUS

The programme is offered in Aalborg.

## § 4: FACULTY AFFILIATION

The Master's programme falls under the The Faculty of Engineering and Science, Aalborg University.

## § 5: STUDY BOARD AFFILIATION

The Master's programme falls under the Study Board of Mechanical Engineering and Physics.

## § 6: AFFILIATION TO CORPS OF EXTERNAL EXAMINERS

The Master's programme is associated with the external examiners corps on Nationwide engineering examiners/Machine.

## § 7: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

### Applicants with a legal right of admission (retskrav):

- Aalborg University offers no bachelor's programmes with a legal right of admission to this Master's program

### Applicants without legal right of admission:

Applicants with the following bachelor's degree are entitled to admission:

- Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering and Manufacturing, Aalborg University
- Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Engineering (Nanotechnology with specialisation in Physics), Aalborg University
- Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Physics, Aalborg University
- Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Chemistry, Aalborg University
- Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering and Industry, Aalborg University
- Bachelor of Engineering in Nanotechnology, Aalborg University

## § 8: THE PROGRAMME TITLE IN DANISH AND ENGLISH

The Master's programme entitles the graduate to the Danish designation *Civilingeniør, cand.polyt. i materialeteknologi*. The English designation is: Master of Science (MSc) in Engineering (Materials Technology).

## § 9: PROGRAMME SPECIFICATIONS IN ECTS CREDITS

The Master's programme is a 2-year, research-based, full-time study programme. The programme is set to 120 ECTS credits.

## **§ 10: RULES CONCERNING CREDIT TRANSFER (MERIT), INCLUDING THE POSSIBILITY FOR CHOICE OF MODULES THAT ARE PART OF ANOTHER PROGRAMME AT A UNIVERSITY IN DENMARK OR ABROAD**

The Study Board can approve that passed programme elements from other educational programmes at the same level replaces programme elements within this programme (credit transfer).

Furthermore, the Study Board can, upon application, approve that parts of this programme is completed at another university or a further education institution in Denmark or abroad (pre-approval of credit transfer).

The Study Board's decisions regarding credit transfer are based on an academic assessment.

## **§ 11: EXEMPTIONS**

The Study Board's possibilities to grant exemption, including exemption to further examination attempts and special examination conditions, are stated in the Examination Policies and Procedures published at this website:

<https://www.studieservice.aau.dk/regler-vejledninger>

## **§ 12: RULES FOR EXAMINATIONS**

The rules for examinations are stated in the Examination Policies and Procedures published at this website:

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## **§ 13: RULES CONCERNING WRITTEN WORK, INCLUDING THE MASTER'S THESIS**

In the assessment of all written work, regardless of the language it is written in, weight is also given to the student's formulation and spelling ability, in addition to the academic content. Orthographic and grammatical correctness as well as stylistic proficiency are taken as a basis for the evaluation of language performance. Language performance must always be included as an independent dimension of the total evaluation. However, no examination can be assessed as 'Pass' on the basis of good language performance alone; similarly, an examination normally cannot be assessed as 'Fail' on the basis of poor language performance alone.

The Study Board can grant exemption from this in special cases (e.g., dyslexia or a native language other than Danish).

The Master's Thesis must include an English summary. If the project is written in English, the summary can be in Danish. The summary is included in the evaluation of the project as a whole.

## **§ 14: REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE READING OF TEXTS IN A FOREIGN LANGUAGE**

It is assumed that the student can read academic texts in his or her native language as well as in English and use reference works etc. in other European languages.

## **§ 15: COMPETENCE PROFILE ON THE DIPLOMA**

The following competence profile will appear on the diploma:

A Candidatus graduate has the following competency profile:

A Candidatus graduate has competencies that have been acquired via a course of study that has taken place in a research environment.

A Candidatus graduate is qualified for employment on the labour market based on his or her academic discipline as well as for further research (PhD programmes). A Candidatus graduate has, compared to a Bachelor, developed his or her academic knowledge and independence so as to be able to apply scientific theory and method on an independent basis within both an academic and a professional context.

## **§ 16: COMPETENCE PROFILE OF THE PROGRAMME**

The graduate of the Master's programme:

### **Knowledge**

- Has attained thorough understanding of a broad range of theoretical and experimental techniques within the area of Materials Technology.

- Has knowledge in several subject areas based on the highest international research level, within the field of materials technology.
- Can understand and, on a scientific basis, reflect over subject area's related to materials technology and identify scientific problems within that area.
- Demonstrate an understanding of research work and be able to become a part of the research environment.
- Demonstrate insight into the implications of research work, including research ethics.

### **Skills**

- Be able to apply scientific methodology to solve a wide variety of problems within the field of specialization.
- Be able to perform scientific work in relevant topics of the field of specialization.
- Be able to apply a wide range of engineering methods in research and development projects in the field of specialization.
- Be able to participate in or lead projects in materials technology, materials selection, product development, and production technology.
- Can communicate research-based knowledge and discuss professional and scientific problems with both peers and non-specialists.
- Can use advanced laboratory equipment test set ups and data collection methods.

### **Competencies**

- Be able to work independently with a project on a specific problem within their field of interest on the highest possible level within their specialization.
- Be able to take part in technical development and research.
- Can manage work and development situations that are complex, unpredictable and require new solutions within the area of materials technology.
- Be able to analyse and evaluate the influence of material structure and processing method on the material properties.
- Can independently initiate and implement discipline-specific and interdisciplinary cooperation and assume professional responsibility.
- Be able to direct the technical management of development projects within the industry.
- Be competent to solve new and complicated technical problems by the use of advanced mathematics, scientific and technological knowledge.
- Can independently take responsibility for own professional development and specialization.

## **§ 17: STRUCTURE AND CONTENTS OF THE PROGRAMME**

The Master's programme in Materials Technology aims at educating graduates, who are qualified to take part in technical development and research and who are able to direct the technical management of development projects within the industry.

The graduates are expected to have gained a broad knowledge within the areas of Materials Technology. The graduates have knowledge about qualified materials selection, materials behavior to external stimuli, influence of processing on material properties and material microstructure, metallurgy, issues related to polymer chemistry, various material testing methods and simulation of material behavior.

The programme is structured in modules and organized as a problem-based study. A module is a programme element or a group of programme elements, which aims to give students a set of professional skills within a fixed time frame specified in ECTS credits, and concluding with one or more examinations within specific exam periods that are defined in the curriculum.

The programme is based on a combination of academic, problem-oriented and interdisciplinary approaches and organized based on the following work and evaluation methods that combine skills and reflection:

- lectures
- classroom instruction
- project work

- workshops
- exercises (individually and in groups)
- teacher feedback
- reflection
- portfolio work

## § 18: OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAMME

All modules are assessed through individual grading according to the 7-point scale or Pass/Fail. All modules are assessed by external examination (external grading) or internal examination (internal grading or by assessment by the supervisor only).

| Offered as: 1-professional   |             |      |                       |                      |                               |          |
|--|-------------|------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|----------|
| Module name  | Course type | ECTS | Applied grading scale | Evaluation method    | Assessment method             | Language |
| <b>1 SEMESTER</b>  |             |      |                       |                      |                               |          |
| <a href="#">Metallic Materials</a>   | Project     | 15   | 7-point grading scale | External examination | Oral exam based on a project  | English  |
| <a href="#">Courses on the first semester for students with a Bachelor in Mechanical Engineering and Manufacturing or the like</a> | Course      | 15   |                       |                      |                               |          |
| <a href="#">Courses on the first semester for students with other Bachelor's degree</a>  | Course      | 15   |                       |                      |                               |          |
| <b>2 SEMESTER</b>  |             |      |                       |                      |                               |          |
| <a href="#">Polymers and Polymer Composites</a>  | Project     | 15   | 7-point grading scale | External examination | Oral exam based on a project  | English  |
| <a href="#">Courses on the second semester for students with a Bachelor in Chemistry</a>   | Course      | 15   |                       |                      |                               |          |
| <a href="#">Courses on the second semester for students with other bachelor's degree</a>   | Course      | 15   |                       |                      |                               |          |
| <b>3 SEMESTER</b><br>Elective track A  |             |      |                       |                      |                               |          |
| <a href="#">Industrial Development</a>   | Project     | 30   | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Oral exam based on a project  | English  |
| <b>3 SEMESTER</b><br>Elective track B  |             |      |                       |                      |                               |          |
| <a href="#">Project Oriented Study in an External Organisation</a>   | Project     | 30   | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Oral exam based on a project  | English  |
| <b>4 SEMESTER</b>  |             |      |                       |                      |                               |          |
| <a href="#">Master's Thesis</a>  | Project     | 30   | 7-point grading scale | External examination | Master's thesis/final project | English  |

The students are given options in the project modules as they can select among different projects within the same general theme. Moreover, the projects on the 3rd and 4th semester can be selected freely within the field of Materials Technology.

During the 1st semester, students with a Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering and Manufacturing, Aalborg University, or the like, follows the course Solid Mechanics with Microstructures, the rest follows the course Continuum Mechanics. During the 2nd semester, students with a Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Chemistry follows the course Polymer Chemistry, the rest follows Fundamental Polymer Chemistry.

The 3rd semester offers different ways of organisation – depending on the student's choice of content; project work at Aalborg University, study visit at an educational institution in Denmark or abroad, Project Oriented Study in an External Organisation at a company in Denmark or abroad, or a semester programme that comprises cross-disciplinary programme elements composed by the student. The total work load of the semester has to be equivalent to 30 ECTS. The project may be finalized with a project report or in the form of a scientific paper.

**Courses on the first semester**

| Courses on the first semester for students with a Bachelor in Mechanical Engineering and Manufacturing or the like |             |      |                       |                      |                      |          |
|--|-------------|------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------|
| Module name  | Course type | ECTS | Applied grading scale | Evaluation Method    | Assessment method    | Language |
| <a href="#">Metals and Alloys</a>  | Course      | 5    | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |
| <a href="#">Solid Mechanics with Microstructure</a>  | Course      | 5    | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |
| <a href="#">Fracture Mechanics and Fatigue</a>   | Course      | 5    | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |

| Courses on the first semester for students with other Bachelor's degree |             |      |                       |                      |                      |          |
|---|-------------|------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------|
| Module name   | Course type | ECTS | Applied grading scale | Evaluation Method    | Assessment method    | Language |
| <a href="#">Metals and Alloys</a>                                       | Course      | 5    | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |
| <a href="#">Continuum Mechanics</a>                                     | Course      | 5    | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |
| <a href="#">Fracture Mechanics and Fatigue</a>                          | Course      | 5    | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |

**Courses on the second semester**

| Courses on the second semester for students with a Bachelor in Chemistry |             |      |                       |                      |                      |          |
|--|-------------|------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------|
| Module name  | Course type | ECTS | Applied grading scale | Evaluation Method    | Assessment method    | Language |
| <a href="#">Simulation and Measuring of Materials Behavior</a>           | Course      | 5    | Passed/Not Passed     | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |
| <a href="#">Polymers and Composite Materials</a>                         | Course      | 5    | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |
| <a href="#">Polymer Chemistry</a>  | Course      | 5    | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |



| Courses on the second semester for students with other bachelor's degree |             |       |                       |                      |                      |          |
|--|-------------|-------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------|
| Module name  | Course type | ECT S | Applied grading scale | Evaluation Method    | Assessment method    | Language |
| <a href="#">Fundamental Polymer Chemistry</a>                            | Course      | 5     | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |
| <a href="#">Simulation and Measuring of Materials Behavior</a>           | Course      | 5     | Passed/Not Passed     | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |
| <a href="#">Polymers and Composite Materials</a>                         | Course      | 5     | 7-point grading scale | Internal examination | Written or oral exam | English  |

## § 19: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The current version of the curriculum is published on the Board of Studies' website, including more detailed information about the programme, including exams.

All students who have not participated in Aalborg University's PBL introductory course during their Bachelor's degree must attend the introductory course "Problem-based Learning and Project Management". The introductory course must be approved before the student can participate in the project exam. Further information about the introductory course can be found at the homepage of the study board of materials and production, <https://www.mp.aau.dk/study-board>.

## § 20: COMMENCEMENT AND TRANSITIONAL RULES

The curriculum is approved by the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Science and enters into force as of September 2019.

The Study Board does not offer teaching after the previous curriculum from 2017 after the summer examination 2020.

## § 21: AMENDMENTS TO THE CURRICULUM AND REGULATIONS

Minor editorial changes have been made in connection with digitisation of the study curriculum.