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Combustion and fuels

In view of the health context linked to the spread of the coronavirus, the methods of organisation and evaluation of the learning units could be adapted in different situations; these possible new methods have been - or will be - communicated by the teachers to the students.

5 credits	30.0 h + 30.0 h	Q1

Teacher(s)	Papalexandris Miltiadis ;					
Language :	English					
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve Origins, nature, and conditioning of fuels. Mass and energy balance laws of combustion. Physical chemistry and chemical kinetics of combustion: reacting schemes and phenomenology of the modes of combustion. Fuel combustion technologies: conception and design of combustion heat transfer equipment.					
Main themes						
Aims	 With respect to the reference AA of the programme of studies "Masters degree in Mechanical Engineering", this course contributes to the development and acquisition of the following skills AA1.1, AA1.2, AA1.3 AA2.3, AA2.4, AA2.5 AA3.1, AA3.3 AA4.1, AA4.2, AA4.3, AA4.4 AA5.2, AA5.4, AA5.5 AA6.1, AA6.4 Specific learning outcomes of the course More specifically, by the end of the course, the student will be able i) to apply the main concepts of the thermo-chemistry of combustion to the evaluation of the quality of combustion in energy systems, including thermal engines. ii) to perform calculations of combustion equipment and associated heat-transfer devices. iii) to understand the environmental aspects of fossil fuel combustion. 					
	The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".					
Evaluation methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. Written exam, with open books and notes. • The score on the laboratory report counts for 25% of the overall score. • The score on the written exam counts for 75% of the overall grade.					
Teaching methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. • Course lectures • Session of exercises • Laboratory: Operation of a domestic natural-gas boiler and analysis of its combustion efficiency.					
Content	 1.Energetic study of fuels and their use. Origins and formation of fuels. Conditioning and specification of fuels. Global mass and energy balance laws in combustion. Control and diagnostic techniques. 2. Thermochemistry of combustion. Chemical kinetics of combustion. Chain-branching mechanisms. Explosivity and flammability limits, flame temperature. Chemical reaction rates. Pollutant formation. Measurement techniques. 3. Combustion and heat transfer technologies. Laminar premixed flames. Introduction to turbulent flows. Turbulent premixed flames and their applications. Use of heat generated by combustion. Introduction to detonations The balance laws of mass and of energy and the physico-chemical calculations are the objects of exercises and laboratory experiments. In these experiments emphasis is placed upon the phenomenology of combustion, control methods and diagnostics and upon operating methods 					

Inline resources	http://moodleucl.uclouvain.be/enrol/index.php?id=6783
Bibliography	 M.V. Papalexandris, LMECA2160: Combustion and Fuels-Lecture Notes, 2018. Notes of the course LMECA2160 (in English). Mandatory, available on the moodle site of the course. S.R. Turns, Introduction to Combustion, Mc Graw Hill, 2000. Mandatory User's manual of the experimental facility and instructions for the laboratory (in English and French). Mandatory, available on the moodle site of the course. List of exercises and theoretical questions (in English). Mandatory, available on the moodle site of the course. K.K. Kuo, Principles of Combustion, Wiley, 2005. Recommended. T. Poinsot & D. Veynante, Theoretical and Numerical Combustion, Edwards, 2003. Recommended.
Faculty or entity in charge	MECA

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)							
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims			
Master [120] in Electro- mechanical Engineering	ELME2M	5		هر			
Master [120] in Mechanical Engineering	MECA2M	5		٩			