UCLouvain

Nuclear Materials (Centre d'étude nucléaire-Mol)

3.00 credits

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Language :	English				
Place of the course	Autre site				
Prerequisites	The following BNEN courses are a prerequisite Nuclear Energy: Introduction 				
	Introduction to Nuclear Physics and Measurements				
	Basic chemestry material behaviour				
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to :				
	 To familarise students with the basic aspects of material science as they apply to nuclear systems To learn the basic processes of material degradation and ageing due to the nuclear environment (esp. radiation effects and fatigue). 				
Evaluation methods	Oral examination; written preparation.				
Content	Brief review of most important mechanical properties of materials				
	o stress-strain relationship				
	o ductile and brittle fracture; ductile-brittle transition				
	o fatigue failure				
	o creep				
	 Stress analysis: stress intensity, thermal stresses Functional requirements of materials in a nuclear environment 				
	o 'nuclear' materials: fuel, fuel cladding, moderator/reflector, coolant				
	o structural materials: reactor internals and vessel, piping, valves				
	Degradation mechanisms of materials in a nuclear environment				
	o radiation effects: general principles, atomic displacements, embrittlement, swelling fatigue: due to thermal stresses and stratification				
	o corrosion: p.m. (to be developed in course 'Nuclear Materials II')				
	 Introduction on treatment of important materials in a nuclear environment (especially nuclear- mechanical interactions and relationships) 				
	o fuel and cladding				
	o moderator/reflector				
	0 structural materials (incl reactor internals, reactor vessel).				
Inline resources	https://www.sckcen.be/fbnen				
Other infos	This course is part of the Advanced Master programme in nuclear engineering organized by the Belgian Nuclear Higher Education Network (BNEN). BNEN is organised through a consortium of six Belgian universities and the Belgian Nuclear Research Centre, SCK-CEN and takes place at the SCK-CEN in Mol. Prof. Jacqueline Lecomte-Beckers 'Université de Liège Prof. Eric van Walle 'Katholieke Universiteit Leuven Prof. Walter Bogaerts - Katholieke Universiteit Leuven				
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Faculty or entity in charge	EPL				

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)					
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes	
Advanced Master in Nuclear Engineering	GNUC2MC	3		٩	