



**COURSE TITLE:** Solar Energy

**Number of contact hours:** 30

**Duration:** 1 semester (fall / spring)

**ECTS credits:** 4

**Program Description:** This course provides an understanding of solar radiation and the use of solar energy.

The objective of this subject is to develop the following issues:

- Fundamentals of Solar Radiation (The Physics of the Sun and Its Energy Transport, Solar Radiation)
- Estimation of Solar Radiant Energy Reaching an Arbitrarily Situated Surface
- Solar Thermal Collectors (Radiative Properties and Characteristics of Materials, Flat-Plate Collectors, Concentrating Solar Collectors, Parabolic Trough Concentrator)
- Solar Heating Systems
- Solar Thermal Power
- Photovoltaics

**Course type:** lectures (15), laboratory (15)

**Literature:**

1. John A. Duffie, William A. Beckman. *Solar Engineering of Thermal Processes*, John Wiley & Sons, 2013.
2. D. Yogi Goswami. *Principles of Solar Engineering*, 4th Edition. CRC Press, 2023.

**Assessment method:** written assessment and reports from laboratory

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