

**Module Description, available in: EN**

## Heat Transfer

**General Information****Number of ECTS Credits**

3

**Module code**

TSM\_Heat

**Valid for academic year**

2026-27

**Last modification**

2019-09-07

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**Explanations regarding the language definitions for each location:**

- Instruction is given in the language specified for each location and module execution.
- Documentation is available in the language(s) listed for each location and module execution. If the documentation is in multiple languages, the percentage distributed is indicated (100% = all documentation provided).
- The examination, including both questions and answers, is provided entirely (100%) in the language(s) specified for each location and module execution. The exams are on-site.

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<b>Instruction</b>			X E 100%
<b>Documentation</b>			X E 100%
<b>Examination</b>			X E 100%

**Module Category**

TSM Technical scientific module

**Lessons**

2 lecture periods and 1 tutorial period per week

**Entry level competences****Prerequisites, previous knowledge**

Basic knowledge of thermodynamics and fluid dynamics.

**Brief course description of module objectives and content**

The basic theories of heat transfer by conduction, convection and thermal radiation are presented. However, this study-unit focuses on solving practical heat transfer problems in different fields of engineering such as architectural and HVAC engineering, mechanical and process engineering, electrical as well as environmental engineering.

## Aims, content, methods

### Learning objectives and competencies to be acquired

Students shall learn how to solve engineering problems in the field of heat transfer.

### Module content with weighting of different components

- Overview of Heat Transfer Modes
- Introduction to Conduction
- One-Dimensional, Steady-State Conduction
- Two-Dimensional, Steady-State Conduction
- Transient Conduction
- Introduction to Convection
- External Flow
- Internal Flow
- Free Convection
- Introduction to Radiation
- Radiation: Processes and Properties
- Radiation: Exchange Between Surfaces

### Teaching and learning methods

Presentation of theory and practical examples of heat transfer problems, problem solving

### Literature

F. Incropera, D. DeWitt, T. L. Bergman, A. S. Lavine. Incropera's Principles of Heat and Mass Transfer: Global Edition. Wiley, 2017-11-01.

## Assessment

### Additional performance assessment during the semester

The module does not contain an additional performance assessment during the semester

### Basic principle for exams

**As a rule, all standard final exams are conducted in written form. For resit exams, lecturers will communicate the exam format (written/oral) together with the exam schedule.**

### Standard final exam for a module and written resit exam

Kind of exam

Written exam

Duration of exam

120 minutes

Permissible aids

*Aids permitted as specified below:*

Permissible electronic aids

Pocket calculator

Other permissible aids

- Lecture notes
- Personal summary
- Course textbook (F. Incropera, D. DeWitt, T. L. Bergman, A. S. Lavine. Incropera's Principles of Heat and Mass Transfer: Global Edition. Wiley, 2017-11-01)

**Exception: In case of an electronic Moodle exam, adjustments to the permissible aids may occur. Lecturers will announce the final permissible aids prior to the exam session.**

### Special case: Resit exam as oral exam

Kind of exam

Oral exam

Duration of exam

30 minutes

Permissible aids

No aids permitted