

**SABANCI UNIVERSITY**  
**FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND NATURAL SCIENCES**  
**MATERIALS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING PROGRAMME**  
**MAT 308 PHASE EQUILIBRIA (2 (Th)+1(F))**

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Thermodynamic and Phase Equilibria; One Component System Phase Diagrams; Two Component System Phase Diagrams: Binary eutectic, Intermediate compounds, Solid solution, Liquid immiscibility; Determination of Phase Diagrams: Experimental methods, Thermodynamic estimations and calculations; Ternary Systems: Method of determining composition, Isoplethal studies in ternary systems, Binary and ternary intermediate compounds, Solid solutions; Quaternary Systems.

## **COURSE AIM**

The aim of the course is to provide a sound foundation in the basic facts and concepts of phase equilibria for materials engineers.

## **LEARNING OUTCOMES AND SUB-ACCOMPLISHMENT**

- 1.** The importance of phase diagrams in materials science and engineering will be able to be defined.
- 2.** The main definitions and terms of phase diagram will be able to be explained.
  - a) The terms of system, phase, equilibrium, components, degrees of freedom, and phase rule are defined.
  - b) These terms are applied in materials science and engineering field.
- 3.** In which conditions materials are stable will be interpreted in the unary systems by using pressure and temperature diagram.
  - a) Pressure and temperature diagrams are defined in unary systems.
  - b) The terms of phase diagrams are applied in the unary systems which are used in materials science and engineering field.
  - c) These unary systems are compared and interpreted each others.
- 4.** Binary systems will be able to be composed by using unary systems.
  - a) Binary systems are designed by using unary systems.
  - b) These systems are drawn and interpreted
- 5.** Problems will be able solved in binary systems by using composition and temperature diagram.
  - a) Composition and temperature diagrams are defined in binary systems.
  - b) The formations of congruently-incongruently melted intermediate compounds and solid solutions are defined in binary systems.
  - c) Different reaction types are defined in binary systems.
  - d) Calculations on cooling and heating are done in binary systems.
  - e) Calculations of phase equilibrium diagram are done in binary systems.
  - f) Composition and temperature diagrams are composed by using  $P$ - $T$  and  $G$ - $T$  graphics.

- g) The terms of phase diagrams are applied in the binary systems which are used in materials science and engineering field.
  - h) These binary systems are compared and interpreted each others.
6. Ternary systems will be able to be composed by using binary systems.
- a) Ternary systems are designed by using binary systems
  - b) These systems are drawn and interpreted.
7. Problems will be able to be solved in ternary systems by using composition diagram.
- a) Composition and temperature diagrams are defined in ternary systems.
  - b) The formations of congruently-incongruently melted intermediate compounds and solid solutions are defined in ternary systems.
  - c) Different reaction types are defined in ternary systems.
  - d) Isothermal sections are drawn in ternary systems.
  - e) Calculations on cooling and heating are done in ternary systems.
  - f) Calculations of phase equilibrium diagram are done in ternary systems.
  - g) Ternary systems are composed from binary systems.
  - h) The terms of phase diagrams are applied in the ternary systems which are used in materials science and engineering field.
  - i) These ternary systems are compared and interpreted each others.
8. Quaternary and six components systems will be introduced using composition diagrams.

## **COURSE OUTLINE**

### **Week 1 Introduction:** (February 23&25, 2021)

The importance of phase diagram on materials science and engineering  
Examine the relationship between thermodynamics and phase diagrams

#### **The main definitions and terms of phase diagrams:**

a) System, b) Phase, c) Equilibrium, d) Component, e) Degrees of freedom, f) Phase rule

### **Week 2 Unary systems:** (March 2&4, 2021)

- a) Phase rule for unary systems
- b) Pressure-temperature diagrams in unary systems
- c) Some, important unary systems used in materials science and engineering field

### **Week 3 Binary systems:** (March 9&11, 2021)

- a) Introduction to binary systems
- b) Types of binary alloy systems – examples
- c) Binary isomorphous systems
- d) Lever rule and isoplethal studies

### **Week 4 Binary isomorphous systems:** (March 16&18, 2021)

- a) Heating-cooling calculations
- b) Thermodynamic calculations -  $\Delta G$ -X-T diagrams
- c) Introduction to eutectic systems

**Week 5 Binary eutectic systems:** (March 23&25, 2021)

- a) Phase calculations,
- b) Heating/cooling curves / isoplethal studies
- c) Equilibrium/non-equilibrium microstructures
- d) Thermodynamic calculations -  $\Delta G$ -X diagrams
- e) Other eutectic-like systems

**Week 6 Binary peritectic systems:** (March 30 & April 1, 2021)

- a) Phase calculations,
- b) Isoplethal studies
- c) Other peritectic-like systems
- d) Recitation – preparation for the Midterm

**Weeks 7: Hypothetical Binary System** (April 6&8, 2021)

- a) Questions/solutions about some binary phase diagrams
- b) Hypothetical Binary System
- c) Phase Analysis Diagrams

**Weeks 8 Midterm exam** (April, 13&15 2021)

- a) Recitation – preparation for the Midterm
- b) Midterm Exam (April 15, 2021)

**Weeks 9 Ternary systems:** (April 20&22, 2021)

- a) Introduction to ternary systems
- b) Space model of ternary system
- c) Composing ternary systems by using binary systems
- d) Determination of composition in ternary systems
- e) Tie lines and Tie triangles in ternary phase diagram
- f) Ternary isomorphous system

**Week 10 Ternary systems:** (April 27-29, 2021)

- a) Isoplethal studies in ternary systems
- b) Quantitative calculation on the ternary systems using lever rule
- c) Alkemade lines and Alkemade theorem

**Weeks 11 Ternary systems:** (May 4&6, 2021)

- a) Construction of isothermal sections
- b) Construction of vertical sections (isopleth)
- c) Exercises for Isoplethal Study
- d) Ternary system with Solid Solution
- e) Examples of the Ternary System

**Week 12 Ternary systems:** (May 11 2021)

- a) Q/A sections for the previous sections
- b) Discussion about formats for midterm project and exams
- c) Introduction to Quaternary System

**Week 13 Term projects:** (May 18&20, 2021)

Deadline for submission of the midterm project  
Oral presentations of midterm projects

**Week 14 Final Exam:** (May 25&27, 2020)

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

The students are required to attend to classes regularly, participate in discussions and also prepare themselves for the next lecture from their text book.

**ASSESSMENT and EVALUATION**

Midterm exam: 25%  
Term Project: 25%  
Final exam: 40%  
Homework quiz: 10%

**SUGGESTED BOOKS**

Bergeron C.G. & Risbud S. H. (1984). *Introduction to Phase Equilibria in Ceramics*, The American Ceramic Society, Inc.  
Berard M.F. & Wilder D.R. (1990). *Fundamentals of Phase Equilibria in Ceramic Systems*, R.A.N. Publishers.  
Atkins P. & de Paula J. (2002) *Atkins' Physical Chemistry*, Oxford University Press.

**RECOMMENDED PREREQUISITE COURSES**

ENS 202 Thermodynamics  
ENS 205 Introduction to Materials Science

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