

City University of Hong Kong
Course Syllabus

offered by Department of Physics
with effect from Semester B 2017 /18

Part I Course Overview

Course Title: **Instrumental Methods of Analysis and Laboratory**

Course Code: **AP8301**

Course Duration: **One semester**

Credit Units: **3**

Level: **R8**

Proposed Area:
(for GE courses only)

Arts and Humanities

Study of Societies, Social and Business Organisations

Science and Technology

Medium of Instruction:

English

Medium of Assessment:

English

Prerequisites:
(Course Code and Title)

Nil

Precursors:
(Course Code and Title)

Nil

Equivalent Courses:
(Course Code and Title)

Nil

Exclusive Courses:
(Course Code and Title)

AP5301 Instrumental Methods of Analysis and Laboratory

Part II Course Details

1. Abstract

To provide fundamental and practical understanding of materials characterization techniques.

2. Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)

No.	CILOs [#]	Weighting* (if applicable)	Discovery-enriched curriculum related learning outcomes (please tick where appropriate)		
			A1	A2	A3
1.	Describe the physical principles of various analytical instruments.			√	
2.	Apply physical principles to the structural design of each element of the instruments, in particular to those involving electron beam and ion beam.			√	
3.	Apply selected analytical techniques to common applications.				√
		100%			

* If weighting is assigned to CILOs, they should add up to 100%.

[#] Please specify the alignment of CILOs to the Gateway Education Programme Intended Learning outcomes (PILOs) in Section A of Annex.

A1: Attitude

Develop an attitude of discovery/innovation/creativity, as demonstrated by students possessing a strong sense of curiosity, asking questions actively, challenging assumptions or engaging in inquiry together with teachers.

A2: Ability

Develop the ability/skill needed to discover/innovate/create, as demonstrated by students possessing critical thinking skills to assess ideas, acquiring research skills, synthesizing knowledge across disciplines or applying academic knowledge to self-life problems.

A3: Accomplishments

Demonstrate accomplishment of discovery/innovation/creativity through producing /constructing creative works/new artefacts, effective solutions to real-life problems or new processes.

3. Teaching and Learning Activities (TLAs)

TLA	Brief Description	CILO No.						Hours/week (if applicable)
		1	2	3	4			
Lectures	Explain the relevant concepts and applications	√	√	√				
Term Paper	Apply the knowledge to solve practical problems	√	√	√				
Laboratories	Conduct relevant experiments to obtain practical understanding	√	√	√				

4. Assessment Tasks/Activities (ATs)

(ATs are designed to assess how well the students achieve the CILOs.)

Assessment Tasks/Activities	CILO No.					Weighting*	Remarks
	1	2	3	4			
Continuous Assessment: 50%							
Laboratories	√	√	√			35%	
Term Paper	√	√	√			15%	
Examination: 50% (duration: 2 hours)							
						100%	

* The weightings should add up to 100%.

5. Assessment Rubrics

Assessment Task	Criterion	Excellent (A+, A, A-)	Good (B+, B, B-)	Fair (C+, C, C-)	Marginal (D)	Failure (F)
1. Laboratory and Term Paper	Ability to understand and explain the relevant materials	High	Significant	Moderate	Basic	Not even reaching marginal levels
2. Final Examination	Ability to understand and explain the relevant materials	High	Significant	Moderate	Basic	Not even reaching marginal levels

Part III Other Information (more details can be provided separately in the teaching plan)

1. Keyword Syllabus

- Overview of analytical techniques
- Optical Microscopy
- Electron Microscopy
- X-ray analysis
- Diffraction techniques
- Scanning probe microscopy
- Surface techniques
- Ion beam techniques
- Nondestructive techniques

2. Reading List

2.1 Compulsory Readings

1.	Encyclopedia of Materials Characterization, edited by C Richard Brundle, Charles A Evans, Jr, and Shaun Wilson, Butterworth-Heinemann (1992)
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2.2 Additional Readings

1.	X-ray Microanalysis in the Electron Microscope (4 th Edition), by J A Chandler, North Holland (1987)
2.	Methods of Surface Analysis: Techniques and Applications, edited J M E Walls, Cambridge University Press (1990)
3.	Secondary Ion Mass Spectrometry, by Benninghoven, Rudenauer, and Werner, John Wiley & Sons (1987)
4.	Surface Analytical Techniques, by J C Riviere, Oxford University Press (1990)
5.	Modern Techniques of Surface Science, by D P Woodruff and T A Delchar, Cambridge University Press (1994)
6.	Analysis of Microelectronic Materials and Devices, edited by M. Grasserbauer and H W Werner, John Wiley & Sons (1991)