

SYLLABUS

Name of the course (as specified in the approved curriculum) Wood fire protection		Number of ECTS credits 3	
Name of the course in Polish Ochrona drewna przed ogniem			
Unit providing the course (Department/Institute) Department of Wood Chemical Technology			
Course co-ordinator Prof. Dr. hab. Bartłomiej Mazela, Dr. Wojciech Grześkowiak			
Field of study Erasmus program	Level	Profile	Semester
TYPE OF CLASSES AND COURSE LOAD (lectures and self-learning of the student)			
Mode of studies: full-time			
- lectures		20	
- practical classes		30	
- contact hours		8	
- Self- learning		45	
Total number of hours:		103	
OBJECTIVE OF THE COURSE			
<p>Fire safety for timber buildings and structures is the key issue in novel technologies of new wood-based materials production. Timber is a natural composite, and its behavior in fire conditions and fire resistance depends both on its physical structure (morphology) and features of its chemical structure as well as material chemical composition.</p> <p>The aim of the course is to familiarize students with the theory and practice related to the flammability of wood, its protection with chemical flame retardants, as well as the mechanisms of action of these measures</p>			
TEACHING METHODS			
Lectures based on multimedia presentation with elements of discussion. Laboratory testing			
Course learning outcomes			The reference to field of study outcomes
Knowledge	O1 has advanced knowledge of chemistry and related sciences adjusted to wood technology		WS2A_K03 WS2A_K07
	O2 reveals expertise of advanced methods and tools used for solving problems in area of wood technology		
	O3 reveals expertise of advanced method, techniques, technologies, tools and materials in the scope of wood technology as it enables to utilize and develop potential of nature in order to improve human living quality		WS2A_K10
Skills	O4. has skills to seek out, understand and analyze information in a range of wood technology as coming from different sources and given in different form, as well creative interpretation of information, derive conclusions, express and justify opinion		WS2A_S01
	O5 is able to plan independently and carry out research or design tasks in the area of wood technology, as well as analyze and assess correctness of carried out tasks		WS2A_S04
	O6 is able to analyze independently and comprehensively problems influencing production in wood processing industry, health of people, conditions of natural environment and natural resources, reveals expertise of applying and optimizing special techniques as adapted for wood science		WS2A_S05
	O7 has skills for selecting and modifying typical actions in wood technology with a use of right techniques in order to enable improving quality of life of people together with rational utilization of natural resources		WS2A_S06
Social skills	O8 is able to assess usefulness of typical methods and tools for solving simple, practical engineering tasks which are typical of wood technology and then select and apply proper methods and tools		WS2A_S12
	O9 understands the need for continuous learning, is able to inspire and organize learning processes of other persons		WS2A_C01
	O10 is able to cooperate and work in a team, both as a leader and a member of a team		WS2A_C02
O11 is able to establish proper priorities connected with solving tasks being defined by a student or others		WS2A_C03	
Methods of evaluation of learning outcomes Exam, partial exam, training protocols Project and discussions			Symbols of course learning outcomes O1, O2, O3, O4, O5, O6, O7, O8, O9, O10, O11

TEACHING CONTENTS

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Lectures:

1. Behavior of constructional timber at high temperature heating and fire
 - 1.1. Specificity of structure and properties of timber species
 - 1.2. Pyrolysis and thermal oxidative decomposition of timber
 - 1.3. Ignition of timber
 - 1.4. Heat release characteristics and combustion heat of timber
 - 1.5. Flame propagation on timber surface
 - 1.6. Generation of smoke and toxic products at fire of timber
2. Fire protection of timber building structures and constructions
 - 2.1. Novel fire-retardant impregnation compositions for treatment of timber products
 - 2.2. Charring parameters of timber species with fire-retardant treatment at standard fire regime
 - 2.3. Fire protection properties of novel intumescent coatings for constructional timber
 - 2.4. Method of oxidative modification of plant raw material and some physicochemical characteristics of the product
 - 2.5. Environmental aspects and legal protection of wood against fire

Practical classes:

1. Projects of fire retardant preservation system.
2. The experimental studies of pyrolysis, ignition, heat release, flame spread, and generation of smoke and toxic combustion products of various timber species.
3. Laboratory testing: Oxygen index, Mass loss calorimeter, Mini Fire tube, charring rate.
4. Process of biodegradation of timber constructions and the efficiency of a new bio-moisture fire-protective composition.
5. Analysis of results and knowledge verification.

The course completion methods and criteria

Final test

Percentage of a
final grade
100%

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