

Course Syllabus

1	Course title	Thermal Physics
2	Course number	0332341
3	Credit hours	3
3	Contact hours (theory, practical)	3 Theory
4	Prerequisites/corequisites	0302261
5	Program title	Physics
6	Program code	0302
7	Awarding institution	The University of Jordan
8	School	Science
9	Department	Physics
10	Course level	3 rd year
11	Year of study and semester(s)	1 st semester 2022/2023
12	Other department(s) involved in teaching the course	none
13	Main teaching language	English
14	Delivery method	☐ Face to face learning ☐ Blended ☐ Fully online
15	Online Platforms(s)	
16	Issuing/Revision Date	November 7 2022



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19 Course Description:

As stated in the approved study plan.

Binary Model System; Entropy; Temperature; Thermal Equilibrium; Laws Of Thermodynamics; Boltzmann Distribution; Thermal Radiation; Chemical Potential; Gibbs Distribution; Ideal Gas; Fermi-Dirac And Bose-Einstein Distributions; Thermodynamic Functions; Heat And Work; Heat Engines; Phase Transformations; Van Der Waals' Equation Of State; Kinetic Theory.



20 Course aims and outcomes:



A- Aims: This introductory course aims at giving the physics students the basics of Thermal Physics.

B- Students Learning Outcomes (SLOs):

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

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course	T , 1 ,1			
1	Introduce the			
	basic postulates of			
	Statistical			
	Mechanics and			
	apply them to			
	basic model			
2	systems.			
2	Introduce the			
	concepts of			
	Temperature and			
2	Entropy.			
3	Derive the			
	Boltzmann and			
	Gibbs			
	Distributions for			
	classical and			
	quantum			
	mechanical			
4	systems.			
4	Calculate the			
	average			
	occupation of the			
	energy states of a			
	large collection of			
	non-interacting			
	atoms			
5	Use the techniques			
	of statistical			
	mechanics and			
	thermodynamics			
	to solve problems.			



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6	Describe the
	thermal properties
	(e.g. specific heat
	and distribution
	functions) of
	generic materials
	(e.g. insulators,
	metals,
	paramagnets, and
	Fermi and Bose
	systems) based on
	simple models of
	their basic
	constituents.
	Introduce some
7	thermodynamic
	functions such as
	Free Energy and
	Chemical
	Potential.
	Explain
8	thermodynamic
	concepts,
	including the ideas
	of reversibility,
	thermal
	equilibrium under
	various conditions
	and entropy.
9	Explain the
	concepts of
	statistical
	mechanics.



مركز الاعتماد 21. Topic Outline and Schedule: وضمان الجودة

Week	Lecture	Торіс	Intended Learning Outcome	Learning Methods (Face to Face/Blended/ Fully Online)	Platform	Synchronous / Asynchronous Lecturing	Evaluation Methods	Resources
1		Binary Model System; Average Values	1,	Face-to-Face				
2		Fundament al Assumptio n; Probability ; Thermal Equilibriu m; Temperatur e; Entropy; Laws of Thermodyn amics	1,2,4	Face-to-Face				
3		Boltzmann Factor; Pressure; Helmholtz Free Energy; Ideal Gas: A First Look	1,3,4,5	Face-to-Face				
4		Fermi- Dirac Distributio n Function; Bose- Einstein Distributio n Function;	1,6	Face-to-face				



	Classical Limit				
5	Planck Distributio n Function; Plank Law and Stefan- Boltzmann Law; Phonons in Solids: Debye Theory	1,5,6	Face-to-face		
6	Definition of Chemical Potential; Gibbs Factor and Gibbs Sum	1,7	Face-to-face		
7	Ideal Gas	1,2,8	Face-to-face		
8	Fermi and Bose Gases	1,6	Face-to-face		
9	Heat & Work	1,8	Face-to-face		

22 Evaluation Methods:

Home works+ Quiz + Assay + Exams

23 Course Requirements



(e.g: Each student must have access to a computer, internet connection, account on a specific software/platform:

24 Course Policies:

- A- Attendance policies: No more than 20% of classes can be missed.
- B- Absences from exams and submitting assignments on time: Only students with acceptable excuses will be eligible for a makeup exam or late assignment submission.
- C- Health and safety procedures:
- D- Honesty policy regarding cheating, plagiarism, misbehavior: We all follow an honor system during the whole course. All the universities laws will be applied to rules breakers.
- E- Grading policy: The course grading follows the guidelines of the graduate school.

20% Assignments and Assay + 30% midterm Exam+ 50% Final Exam

F- Available university services that support achievement in the course:

Library + Computer Facilities

25 References:

A-	Requi	red b	ook	(s)), assigned	reading	and	laud	10-V	isual	s:
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"Thermal Physics" by **Charles Kittel & Herbert Kromer** (2^{2d} edition or any newer one)

B- Recommended books, materials, and media:

Collections of references introduced by the authors at the introduction of their textbook including those for various subjects on Thermodynamics, Statistical Mechanics, Kinetic theory, Phase transitions, and Solid State Physics

26	26 Additional information:						

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