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Mineralogy 210 (GMI 210)

Qualification Undergraduate

Faculty [Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology](#)

Module credits 16.00

NQF Level 06

Programmes [BEng Metallurgical Engineering](#)

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Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 tutorials per week, 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Crystallography and internal order in minerals (space groups, unit cells, X-ray diffraction data). Bonding, mineral chemistry and solid solution (types of solid solution, calculation of mineral formulae and cation valency). Subsolidus reactions and defects in minerals (thermodynamic basis, defects, importance of subsolidus reactions). Classification and crystal structures of minerals. Mineralogical instrumentation and analysis. Major rock types and their classification. Mineralogical aspects of minerals processing.

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