

Module Code	CEU11E20
Module Name	Materials Applications
ECTS Weighting¹	5 ECTS
Semester taught	Semester 1
Module Coordinator/s	Prof. David Igoe (igoed@tcd.ie)
<u>Module Learning Outcomes</u> with reference to the <u>Graduate Attributes</u> and how they are developed in discipline	<p>Upon completion of this module, students will be able to:</p> <p>LO1. Understand the applications and use cases for different materials used in Civil, Structural, Mechanical, Biomedical and Electrical Engineering.</p> <p>LO2. Comprehend the effect of a materials physical properties on the outcomes of real world case histories.</p> <p>LO3. Recognize the environmental impact of materials and the importance of sustainability in engineering.</p> <p>LO4. Comprehend how materials can be altered / substituted / replaced / recycled in order to improve sustainability.</p> <p>Graduate Attributes: levels of attainment</p> <p>To act responsibly - Introduced</p> <p>To think independently - Introduced</p> <p>To develop continuously - Introduced</p> <p>To communicate effectively - Introduced</p>

¹ [TEP Glossary](#)

Module Content

This introductory module provides a broad foundation of materials applications in engineering, focusing on different materials used in each engineering discipline. The covered topics include:

- Introduction to concrete technology, reinforced and prestressed concrete.
- Introduction to alternative concrete in order to reduce CO2 emissions
- Introduction to glass and timber as building materials
- Introduction to materials for Biomedical Engineering
- Introduction to materials for Mechanical Engineering
- Introduction to materials for Electrical and Electronic Engineering

Teaching and Learning Methods

The module is primarily taught delivered through podium lectures.

The module will require an active participation of the students. Attendance at lectures is mandatory.

The module will be assessed at the end of the semester.

Assessment Details² Please include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment Component • Assessment description • Learning Outcome(s) addressed • % of total • Assessment due date 	Assessment Component	Assessment Description	LO Addressed	% of total	Week due
	Examination	Examination (MCQ)	1,2,3,4	80	Examination Week
	Lab Practicals	Lab Report	1,2	20	Week 12
Reassessment Requirements	Reassessment will be by examination only.				
Contact Hours and Indicative Student Workload²	Contact hours: 35 hours				
	Independent Study (preparation for course, review of materials, 2 x 1hours lab practicals + Lab report): 50 hours				
	Independent Study (preparation for exam, incl. completion of exam): 30 hours				
Recommended Reading List	<i>Lecture notes provided</i> <u><i>Engineering Materials 1&2: An Introduction to Properties, Applications and Design</i></u> , Ashby and Jones				
Module Pre-requisite	None				
Module Co-requisite	None				
Module Website	None				
Are other Schools/Departments involved in the delivery of this module?	No other schools or departments are involved.				
Module Approval Date					
Approved by					
Academic Start Year	September 2025				
Academic Year of Date	2025/26				

² [TEP Guidelines on Workload and Assessment](#)