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Virtual International Summer University

„German Engineering and Language“

May 17 – July 30, 2021*

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The Virtual International Summer University is a unique programme designed to provide insights into cutting-edge German engineering technology, to improve international language skills as well as to discover and learn more about the German culture. It combines engineering courses, virtual company visits, intensive German language courses, cross-cultural competencies training for engineers and virtual social and cultural activities.

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1200€**

12
ECTS
6 US Credits

Weekly
Live-Sessions


12
Weeks

* plus one orientation week before the start

** (partial) scholarships available for students from partner institutions of Technical University of Darmstadt


Engineering Courses (4 ECTS)


The various engineering courses introduce students to German engineering in the fields of Mechanical or Electrical Engineering through workshops and group projects. In the field of Mechanical Engineering, students can choose between Automotive Engineering, Aeronautical Engineering, Mechatronics and Production Engineering. In Electrical Engineering, two courses are offered: Electromagnetic Field Simulation and Microfluidics + BioMEMS. Students will also have the opportunity to gain insight into German engineering by virtually visiting various companies and university groups.

Mechanical Engineering	Electrical Engineering
<p>Aeronautical Engineering</p> <p>The course deals with the design, function and operation of wind tunnels and the use of laser-based measurement techniques in fluid mechanics, aerodynamics and flight mechanics.</p>	<p>Microfluidics + bioMEMS</p> <p>This course gives an introduction to the field of microfluidic and microelectromechanical systems (MEMS) for a variety of applications in the biomedical sciences.</p>
<p>Automotive Engineering</p> <p>The course gives an introduction into automotive engineering by typical problems in this field.</p>	<p>Electromagnetic Field Simulation</p> <p>The course gives an introduction into electromagnetic field simulation. The main course aspect is the finite integration technique (FIT) which is applied on Maxwell's equations to compute numerically electromagnetic phenomena.</p>
<p>Production Engineering</p> <p>The aim of the course is to provide a deeper insight into the potentials and challenges of Industry 4.0 in the field of sheet metal forming.</p>	
<p>Mechatronic Engineering</p> <p>The course deals with the basics of mechatronic systems and the involved components. Main aspects are the functional description and modelling of mechanical elements, actuators, sensors.</p>	

German Language Courses (6 ECTS)


German for Academic Purposes (Beginner)

 This online language course is designed especially for STEM-students who want to improve their prospective careers with a German language course.


 Here you will learn and practice:


- basic German communication skills
- essential German communication situations

in STEM-relevant contexts.

 By the end of this course, you should be able to engage in basic communication situations. For students considering a semester abroad in Germany, this course may be interesting as well.

German for Academic Purposes (Beginner with previous knowledge)


 You already have a basic knowledge of German, are interested in STEM and are considering a semester abroad at a German university? Then this course is exactly for you!

 You will increase


- your knowledge of German academic life and be able to communicate with German students on a basic level


and learn

- to write basic formal emails to professors
- to practice important strategies for understanding academic texts.


 If you are considering a semester abroad, this course would be an excellent way for you to begin preparation.

German for Academic Purposes (Pre-Intermediate)

 This pre-intermediate language course is designed to strengthen students' German speaking, writing and listening skills in an academic setting (STEM).

 You will be able

- to convey information and ideas on abstract as well as concrete topics
- to check information and ask about or explain problems with reasonable precision
- to reasonably fluently sustain a straightforward description of one of a variety of subjects of personal interest

 By the end of the course, you should be able to communicate more effectively in an academic setting, with professors as well as with fellow students.



Cross-Cultural Competencies Training for Engineers & Social and Cultural Programme (2 ECTS)

Cross-Cultural Competencies Training for Engineers

This seminar will train non-German students in intercultural skills to help them successfully navigate in an intercultural working and learning environment in Germany. It will also introduce students to practical techniques, skills and knowledge surrounding themes of living, studying and working in Germany.

The International Summer University will introduce students to practical techniques, skills and knowledge to help successfully arrange themselves within an intercultural working and learning environment throughout Germany.

Social and Cultural Programme

Expand your study abroad experience by virtually attending our social and cultural activities in and around the Rhein-Main Hessen region.



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All engineering courses as well as the Cross-Cultural Competencies Training for Engineers will be held in English.

All course grades are based on continuous assessments throughout the online course.

Application Process

Students of Partner Universities of TU Darmstadt:

1. Please apply at/consult your universities' international office for (V)ISU 2021 at TU Darmstadt. Your international office will need to send an informal nomination to summer@zv.tu-darmstadt.de
2. We will confirm a successful nomination via email. Make sure to check your emails regularly.

Your next steps will then be:

1. Register with TU Darmstadt
2. Pay the Programme Fee
3. Receive a Letter of Acceptance

Students of Non-Partner Universities:

1. Please contact summer@zv.tu-darmstadt.de to state your interest in our programme.
 - Please make sure to inform us about your home university
 - Tell us your course of study

Students of UMass System, UW System, Queensland Universities:

If you are a student from the University of Massachusetts system, the University of Wisconsin system, and participating universities in Queensland you will participate as exchange students and will not pay fees directly to TU Darmstadt. Please contact your study abroad advisor for more information on how and when to apply.



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Syllabus

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1. Program Goal

The Virtual International Summer University 2021 program is an intensive interdisciplinary program where students will take academic courses in different fields of German engineering, while simultaneously attending intensive German Language classes. This program is primarily designed to provide an insight into the broad field of German cutting-edge engineering, help improve the participants' German language skills and to allow students to discover and understand more about the German culture. Students will focus on selected and highly relevant problem areas, whereby tailor-made modules allow students to develop a deeper understanding in the chosen field of study by focusing specifically in these areas of engineering.

While students take weekly Online German Language Classes – STEM, they will be able to choose two courses between different engineering courses in the field of Mechanical or Electrical Engineering. In the field of Mechanical Engineering, students can choose between Automotive Engineering, Aeronautical Engineering, Mechatronic Engineering and Production Engineering. In the field of Electrical Engineering, two courses will be offered: Electromagnetic Field Simulation and Microfluidics + BioMEMS.

During the virtual International Summer University Program, students will work together with other students from around the world to enhance their communication skills, problem-solving skills and team-working skills to find solutions to complex practical tasks. The various engineering courses offer students the opportunity to gain an insight into the latest research findings by combining lectures with interactive workshops and group presentations. In addition, students will have several opportunities during virtual company visits, such as *Continental AG* or *Merck Chemical Engineering Company* to get hands on experience within the field of engineering. By participating in such activities, students are able to not only improve their cross-cultural communication skills but also get a first look into future employment opportunities within the field of German engineering.

2. Program Prerequisites

The Virtual International Summer University: German Engineering and Language Program has no formal pre-requisites, however, please note the following:

The participants must be enrolled as students at their home university.

German Language

No German language skills are required. However, for participants with advanced German language skills, classes with a higher level of German will be offered.

Cross-Cultural Competencies Training for Engineers

Cultural awareness is an asset, but not required.

Lecture Series: Engineering Courses

This program will be most useful to undergraduate students with an interest or previous knowledge in Mechanical Engineering or Electrical Engineering. Students studying in similar subject areas within the field of Engineering and Sciences are however also welcome.

3. Program Structure and Course Descriptions

Outside of class time, students are expected to complete the assigned reading and complete homework assignments as well as prepare for workshops and final examinations.

Basic German I – CEFR Level A1, A1.2/A2 & B1 / 6 ECTS – 3 US/CAN Credits

Course Description:

This online language course is designed especially for STEM-students of levels Beginner to Pre-Intermediate who want to improve their prospective careers with a German language course. Here you will learn basic German communication skills through the lens of the academic world.

German Language Course STEM: A1 / Beginners

...is a German language course that assumes no prior knowledge of German. Note: If you have prior knowledge of German, get in touch with the instructor to determine which course provides the best fit for you. The Beginners course introduces students to the language and culture of the modern German-speaking world in the interdisciplinary context of STEM.

To develop the ability to communicate effectively in German, this course is structured as a blended online learning course. That means, students are actively engaged with the available material on the learning platform(s) and come prepared for the synchronous elements of the class (group, partner and individual conversations). **This is a preparation-intensive course.** Students should expect to spend 5-6 hours per week engaging with the course material and the other students.

German Language Course STEM: A1.2/A2 / Beginners with prior Knowledge

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To develop the ability to communicate effectively in German, this course is structured as a blended online learning course. That means, students are actively engaged with the available material on the learning platform(s) and come prepared for the synchronous elements of the class (group, partner and individual conversations). **This is a preparation-intensive course.** Students should expect to spend 5-6 hours per week engaging with the course material and the other students.

German Language Course STEM: B1 / Intermediate

...is a German language course that assumes prior knowledge of German. The course enhances students' language and culture skills of the modern German-speaking world in the interdisciplinary context of STEM.

To develop the ability to communicate effectively in German, this course is structured as a blended online learning course. That means, students are actively engaged with the available material on the learning platform(s) and come prepared for the synchronous elements of the class (group, partner and individual conversations). **This is a preparation-intensive course.** Students should expect to spend 5-6 hours per week engaging with the course material and the other students.

Required Course Materials

1. Access to a computer or phone with headset for synchronous and asynchronous meetings as well as assignments.
2. **Textbook: *Impuls Deutsch 1. Intercultural. Interdisciplinary. Interactive.*** MACHEN (online copy, provided by course administration)
3. **Workbook: *Impuls Deutsch 1. Intercultural. Interdisciplinary. Interactive.*** LERNEN & ZEIGEN (online copy, provided by course administration)

<https://www.klett-usa.com/impuls-deutsch>

Assessment

- 5% Participation and Attendance
- 15% Homework, Quantity: Have you done 80% of the exercises?
- 15% Homework, Quality: How (well) have you done them?
- 15% Chapter Tests/Quizzes (1x per week)
- 25% Speaking Task (2x per week)
- 25% Writing Task (2x per week)

Participation and Attendance (synchronous sessions)

Students are expected to attend the synchronous sessions. Please make sure to give notice when you will not be able to attend. During these synchronous online class sessions, attendance will be taken. If you are more than 5 minutes late, your attendance will be marked as absent. Absences will be excused only if you have documentation for medical or family emergencies, religious holidays, or military service. **Note: After three unexcused absences, you may be dropped from the course.**

Tasks/Assignments (asynchronous)

Asynchronous tasks/assignments provide regular occasions to prepare and practice your German skills. **Especially in an online blended learning context, it is key to your language development.** Remember that you will spend most time of this class (5-6hrs/week) in self-study. It is therefore highly recommended that you develop a weekly routine.

Most of the homework can be done online through *Impuls Deutsch. Workbook.* LERNEN & ZEIGEN.

LERNEN (to learn) prepares for the next unit, while ZEIGEN (to show) allows you to prove what you have learned already. You are required to complete the assigned LERNEN exercises as well as the assigned ZEIGEN exercises each week.

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Chapter Tests/Quizzes

Each of the tests covers material from a week's units. The quizzes test your vocabulary and your ability to use it as introduced in the chapters. Listening and reading comprehension will be integrated in the tests. **No make-ups will be given for missed tests** unless you have documentation for medical or family emergencies, religious holidays, or military service.

Speaking Tasks / Audio

You will have regular speaking tasks / audios for different purposes. You may be reading a text for pronunciation feedback, responding to a prompt, or having a conversation with a classmate or other German speaker. You will get feedback regarding pronunciation, content, and grammar.

Writing Task / Text

You will have regular writing tasks / texts for different purposes. You will get feedback on content and grammar.

Mini Projects

You will have two mini projects at the end of each chapter. You will be expected to hand them in prior to the synchronous meeting for feedback and present them during the synchronous sessions.

MAKE MISTAKES/ MACHT FEHLER!

Errors and mistakes are what drives innovation, learning and development. They are proof that we build a system of the new language and apply the rules we inferred. Language learning requires playing with and extending those rules in a group of people. Please keep in mind that language learning is a long-term process and necessarily involves making mistakes. The Goethe Institute USA named their new online magazine #FEHLER because many "mistakes" have driven the most amazing innovations. Check it out: <https://www.goethe.de/prj/mis/en/index.html>

Using online translation packages (e.g., Google Translate) is not permissible – and will be found out. Unlike dictionaries and grammar references, such programs simply provide ONE translation, rather than allowing you to choose among various words/tenses, etc. to come up with the best word or phrase on your own. Moreover, translation programs very often produce inaccurate, incorrect translations, and are easy to identify. Students will learn far more by doing their own work and will avoid risking serious academic consequences.

Grading Scale

Grade/Mark	Percentage	Verbal Grade German	Grade German	Grade English	Verbal Grade English
1.0	≥ 95	Sehr gut	1.0	A	Excellent
1.3	≥ 90	Sehr gut	1.3-1.5	A	Excellent
1.7	≥ 85	Gut	1.6-1.7	B	Very good

2.0	≥ 80	Gut	2.0	B	Very good
2.3	≥ 75	Gut	2.1-2.3	C	Good
2.7	≥ 70	Befriedigend	2.7-2.9	C	Good
3.0	≥ 65	Befriedigend	3.0	D	Satisfactory
3.3	≥ 60	Befriedigend	3.3-3.5	D	Satisfactory
3.7	≥ 55	Ausreichend	3.6-3.7	E	Sufficient
4.0	≥ 50	Ausreichend	4.0	E	Sufficient
5.0	≤ 50	Nicht ausreichend	4.1-5.0	FX / F	Fail

Cross-Cultural Competencies Training for Engineers / 2 ECTS – 1 US/CAN Credit

Course Description:

Multicultural and often virtual teams have become an indispensable part of the professional life of engineering graduates. (Virtual) cross-cultural negotiation games from business-related contexts are enjoying increasing popularity in professional and educational contexts, especially in higher education. These negotiation simulations represent a profitable as well as innovative action-oriented learning experience to not only broach the issue of cross-cultural competence in the field of work but also to practice it oneself. Together with all actors involved, plausible rules must be formulated across cultural boundaries to enable them to act in a constructive manner. In this seminar, we reflect upon these cross-cultural negotiation processes and then analyze these in order to be able to develop optimal strategies for cultural overlapping situations in a professional engineering contexts. This serves to secure results and transfer learning to other future negotiation situations.

Heterogeneous groups of engineering students must be able to act cross-culturally competent in any international setting to achieve among others the following goals: to negotiate and define cooperation conditions with team members from other cultures and at the same time being able to joint projects virtual cross-cultural meetings.

The aim of this training session is to make people aware of the opportunities, potentials and possible problems of cross-cultural interaction in everyday international engineering life. To this end, we address aspects that are necessary for improving cross-cultural interaction competencies (e.g. recognition of misunderstanding and synergy potentials, ability to conduct multilingual negotiations, empathy). The training language will be mainly in English, sometimes German or Chinese, depending on the group composition of the students and their language preferences.

An additional aim of this training session is introducing students from all over the world to the study engineering experience at German universities and the unique and interesting lifestyle of the Germans in Germany.

Part 1: Cross-Cultural Competence – An Introduction

- Culture with an upper-case or lower-case “C?”
- Dimensions of culture and cultural standards
- Culture shock - myth or fact?
- Cultural competence – how to get along

Part 2: Working in Germany

- German time management – a key to success
- Integration, inclusion or segregation, how to meet local people and to take part in non-university events and activities
- Topics and taboos in Germany – traps and pitfalls in everyday life and behavior

- Germans like to speak English – but who understands their Germish or Denglish?

Part 3: Studying in Germany

- How to communicate with your professors and your co-students: learning the different levels of (in)formality in speaking and writing to different people
- How to study in Germany successfully – become familiar with German students' study strategies and comparisons and contrasts to students' study habits in different areas of the world

Company visits (such as):

- Continental AG (German automotive manufacturing company)
- MERCK (German chemical, pharmaceutical and life sciences company)

Course Goals and Objectives:

Recognition of cross-cultural similarities and differences between Germany and the home country of the students, and understanding the reasons for those similarities and differences based on academic analysis.

Course Structure: 4 units of online live session lectures and discussions, plus virtual field trips to corporations.

Prerequisites: none

Learning Outcomes:

- Understanding of different European definitions of the term “culture”
- Understanding and critical reflection on the concepts of “cultural dimensions“ and “cultural standards”
- Identifying, judging, and solving critical incidents in cross-cultural situations
- Getting acquainted with and understanding the German university system and its autonomous learning requirements

Grading:

The students' final grade is based on the participation in the seminar as well as a presentation that shows the obtained knowledge can be usefully applied in a real-world context.

The student's presentation will be evaluated on its clarity and organization, the demonstrated understanding of cross-cultural competence, and the ability to apply that understanding to a specific element of cross-culturality. The students are encouraged to select their own topics.

Teaching Material: Copies are distributed by the teacher.

Lecture Series: Engineering Courses / 4 ECTS – 2 US/CAN Credits

Students are provided with basic material in advance to prepare them for the more advanced content of the courses. Knowledge of the basics is a prerequisite for a successful completion of these courses. Students are therefore strongly advised to acquire these basics by reading and completing homework assignments in advance.

Academic head: Prof. Dr.-Ing. Heinz-Peter Schiffer

Mechanical Engineering Courses

I.) Automotive Engineering: Prof. Dr. rer. nat. Hermann Winner, Prof. Dr. techn. Christian Beidl

Course Description:

The course gives an introduction into automotive engineering by typical problems in this field. In the first block, lectures provide the basics of driving dynamics and Advanced Driver Assistance Systems. The problems are demonstrated by driving experiments and demonstrations. In the second block, lectures give a prospective view of future mobility using regenerative energy in order to fulfil future CO₂ targets in 2050. Different powertrain solutions will be introduced and analyzed by explaining the technologies and discussing the advantages and disadvantages.

Contents:

Block 1: Institute of Automotive Engineering (FZD)

- Driving Resistance (Theory and Experiments)
- Braking Dynamics (Theory and Experiments)
- Introduction to Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS) and Automated Driving Systems (ADS)
- Introduction to research projects at FZD

Block 2: Institute for Internal Combustion Engines and Powertrain Systems (VKM)

- Characterization of different energy storage systems and energy converters
- Analysis of efficiency chains and carbon footprints for Tank-to-Wheel (TTW) and Well-to-Wheel (WTW) approaches
- Introduction in combined powertrain systems

Course Structure:

- Live sessions: “Theory of Driving Resistance”, “Theory of Braking Dynamics”, “Introduction to Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS)”, “Introduction to research projects at FZD”; “Regenerative energy and alterations”, “Energy carrier and respective powertrain systems”, “Technologies of key powertrain components”, “Combined powertrain systems”, “Fuel cell”
- Tutorials: Introduction to Griesheim Airfield, experiments and driving demonstrations ADAS; Introduction of hybrid powertrains in RDE scenarios and introduction to life cycle analysis of different powertrain solutions
- Analysis of tutorials and oral exam

Prerequisites:

Fundamentals in Engineering Mechanics (Equilibrium of Forces and Momentum)

Learning Outcomes

The students know the basics of driving resistances, braking dynamics, advanced driver assistance systems and automated driving. In addition, they have received an insight into the research projects of an automotive engineering institute. Furthermore, the students will know the basic functions of different

energy storage concepts and the operating modes of various energy converters. In addition, they will be able to carry out an efficiency and CO₂ analysis for powertrain systems as well as for particular powertrain components. Based on the fundamentals and the analysis, the students will understand the advantages and disadvantages of individual and combined systems.

Grading

The student's knowledge with respect to the theory lessons and the tutorials is evaluated based on the submission of a written elaboration and an oral exam.

II.) Aeronautical Engineering, Prof. Dr.-Ing. Jeanette Hussong, Prof. Dr.-Ing. Uwe Klingauf

Course Description

The course deals with the design, function and operation of wind tunnels and the use of laser-based measurement techniques in fluid mechanics, aerodynamics and flight mechanics.

In a series of three lecture units students will learn how to calibrate hot-wire sensors including wind tunnel experiments to demonstrate the use of hot wire anemometry. Students will also learn basics on Particle tracking Velocimetry and its application to wind tunnel investigations on a plunging airfoil.

In the second session, an overview of flight mechanics and flight testing will be given. Students will conduct practical experiments with a flight simulation software to determine the performance of an airplane. The recorded data will be analyzed and discussed in a brief report.

Learning Outcomes

The students will be taught the basics of wind tunnel testing and the use of hot-wire and PIV measurement technologies for aerodynamical studies. The benefits and disadvantages of each of these methods can be understood under consideration of physical interrelationships. In addition, an insight into the research work at the Institute of Fluid Mechanics and Aerodynamics as well as the Institute of Flight Systems and Automatic Control can be gained.

Content:

- Introduction of the Institutes and presentation of research work
- Theory of flight mechanics and flight testing
- Theory of hot-wire anemometry
- Theory of Particle Image Velocimetry
- Demonstrations of wind tunnel tests
- Introduction to and practical experiments in with a flight simulation software
- Data acquisition in the experiments
- Data interpretation and discussion

Course structure

Session 1 – Wind Tunnel Testing:

- Introduction of the Institute of Fluid Mechanics and Aerodynamics
- Virtual Laboratory tour and presentation of research work at the institute
- Lecture about "Wind tunnels" and "Hot wire anemometry"
- Demonstration of the "Calibration of hot wire probes for the wind tunnel tests"
- Theoretical exercise: "Evaluation of measurement data"
- Lecture on Particle Image Velocimetry for Aerodynamics

- Demonstration of “PIV measurements in the Eifel wind tunnel”

Session 2 – Flight Testing:

- Introduction of the Institute of Flight Systems and Automatic Control
- Lecture about "flight mechanics and flight testing"
- Lecture about “automatic control”
- Practical experiments with a flight simulation software (data acquisition)
- Data analysis and evaluation
- Preparation of a report about the results of the simulation experiments

Grading

At the end of the course, the acquired knowledge is assessed in a written examination. Students will also submit a brief report about their results from the second session (flight mechanics and flight testing).

III.) Mechatronic Engineering, Prof. Dr.-Ing. Stephan Rinderknecht, M.Sc. Guanlin Gao, M.Sc. Yikai Tao

Course Description:

The course deals with the basics of mechatronic systems and the involved components. Main aspects are the functional description and modelling of mechanical elements, actuators, sensors. Based on the properties of these components, we introduce analytical methods that characterize the static and dynamic behavior of the overall mechatronic system and design open or closed loop control for it. The course will be accompanying with some exercise to enhance the general understanding. In addition, real world applications and representative research projects in the IMS institute will be demonstrated through the course.

Contents:

- Introduction to mechatronic systems
- Modelling of mechatronic system components by equations and block diagrams
- Characterize the static and dynamic behavior of mechatronic systems
- Control of mechatronic systems
- Mechatronic design methods and system integration

Course structure:

Session 1:

- Introduction to mechatronics
- A look into institute IMS part 1.

Session 2:

- Mechanical components
- Component/system modeling exercise

Session 3:

- Actuators
- Actuator modeling exercise

Session 4:

- Sensors
- Sensor signal processing exercise

Session 5:

- System control
- PID control exercise

Session 6:

- A look into institute IMS part 2

Session 7:

- Mechatronic design methods
- System integration

Prerequisites:

None.

Learning Outcomes:

The students know the basics of mechatronic systems consisting of mechanical elements, sensors, actuators and open/closed loop control. They are able to characterize the static and dynamic behavior of the overall mechatronic system and control the system using controllers like PID. Moreover, the students understand mechatronic engineering design methods at different levels, i.e., component and system level of automotive drive trains.

Grading:

The knowledge of the students will be assessed in a written exam.

IV.) Production Engineering, Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dipl.-Wirtsch.-Ing. Peter Groche, Prof. Dr.-Ing. Matthias Weigold

Course Description

The aim of the course is to provide a deeper insight into the potentials and challenges of Industry 4.0 in the field of sheet metal forming. An overview of the stages of digitalization will be given which will be substantiated and explained in more detail on the basis of current research topics in the area of shear cutting and roll forming at the Institute of Production Engineering and Forming Machines.

The use of new, innovative digital technologies in forming processes with regard to process monitoring, sensor integration and methods of data acquisition is demonstrated on the basis of the aforementioned processes. In addition, an interactive exercise and learning session followed by a group exercise based on real process data will provide an initial, practical insight into the learned theory.

Learning Outcome

The course will approach the theoretical knowledge of the digitalization of forming processes and the integration of sensor technology in forming tools. As a basis for the application of data analysis and the prediction of process variables as well as component properties, the understanding of the acquisition and analysis of data from forming processes will be improved. Further, the integration of sensors into a standard forming tool as well as real-time data acquisition for process monitoring will be presented in a practical manner. In addition, students will gain deeper knowledge from the lecture in an interactive

learning session. Aim is to visualize and sharpen the learned fundamentals in a practical group exercise using real recorded process data.

Content

- Introduction of the institute
- Demonstration of Industry 4.0
- Digitalization of forming processes
- Integration of sensor in forming tools
- Interactive learning session and group exercise

Course structure:

- Lectures: ‘Virtual tour through the institute for production Engineering and Forming Machines’, ‘Industry 4.0 and its use in shear cutting’, ‘Optimisation of the roll forming process through digitalisation’
- Interactive Exercise and learning Session
- Group exercise based on process data

Prerequisites:

None

Grading

The grade will be based on the following examinations:

- Results of the group exercise (25%)
- Written examination (75%)

Preparation and Written Documentation

In preparation for this course following files have been made available on the Moodle server under ‘Production Engineering’. These include the following:

- Slides in File: Production_Engineering_Shear_Cutting
- Slides in File: Production_Engineering_Digitization_in_Forming_Technology
- Slides in File: Production_Engineering_Roll_Forming

Electrical Engineering Courses

I. Electromagnetic Field Simulation: Prof. Dr. rer. nat. Sebastian Schöps

Course Description:

The course gives an introduction into electromagnetic field simulation. The main course aspect is the finite integration technique (FIT) which is applied on Maxwell’s equations to compute numerically electromagnetic phenomena. The aim of this course is to enable students to implement their own code in the GNU Octave/Matlab programming language for performing simple electromagnetic field simulations. To achieve this goal, the theoretical aspects are covered by lectures which are deepened and put into practice during group exercise sessions. In these sessions, the students develop simulation codes to simulate practical examples.

Contents:

Mathematical Foundations and Electromagnetic Field Theory

- Ordinary differential equations
- Differential operators: gradient, divergence and curl
- Maxwell's equations in integral and differential form

Numerical Methods

- Scientific computing in GNU Octave/Matlab
- Finite differences
- Solving systems of linear equations

Electrostatics

- Maxwell's equations in the static regime
- Discretization of gradient, divergence and permittivity
- Boundary conditions
- Example: Plate capacitor

Magnetostatics

- Scalar and vectorial magnetic potential
- Discretization of curl operators and permeability
- Example: Transformer

Quasistatics

- Maxwell's equations in the quasistatic regime
- Complex arithmetic and phasors
- Maxwell's equations in the frequency domain
- Skin Effect

Course Structure:

- Lectures on the theory of the course's contents
- Group exercises:
 - Theoretical exercises: mathematical basics, finite differences, fundamentals of FIT
 - Practical exercises: programming of a field simulation code using GNU Octave/Matlab for computing a plate capacitor and a transformer
- Attestation of the programming code

Prerequisites:

Basic knowledge of or interest in mathematics (calculus, linear algebra, numerical analysis) and programming

Learning Outcomes:

The students successfully attending this course understand and are able to simulate simple electrical engineering problems using space-discretization. They can interpret and manipulate Maxwell's equations

for the special cases of static and quasistatic fields in frequency domain. Moreover, they are able to set up a simple field simulation code using the GNU Octave/Matlab programming language.

Grading:

At the end of the course, the students' acquired knowledge is assessed in an oral attestation of the programming code they developed during the group exercises. In this process, the students present and explain their code.

II. Microfluidics and bioMEMS: Prof. Ph.D. Thomas P. Burg

Course Description

This course gives an introduction to the field of microfluidic and microelectromechanical systems (MEMS) for a variety of applications in the biomedical sciences. Starting with the physics and technology of miniaturized fluidic systems, we will explore devices for measuring bioelectrical signals and biomarkers concentrations with miniaturized sensors. Then the focus will shift to several exciting developments in the analytical sciences using microfluidics, such as droplet-based methods for single cell and single molecule analysis, integrated optical sensing, and advanced microscopic imaging techniques. Different applications will be illustrated using examples from recent literature.

Content

- Technology of microfluidic systems
- The solid-liquid-interface
- Transport processes
- Wearable devices
- Affinity biosensors
- Single cell and single molecule methods
- Optofluidics and advanced microscopy techniques

Course Structure

8 Live sessions (45 min)

Self-study materials (videos, reading assignments)

Prerequisites

1st year undergraduate physics

Learning Outcomes

Students will learn to evaluate and compare conventional and microfluidic bioanalytical methods for laboratory medicine and Point-of-Care applications. They become familiar with the underlying physical principles and scaling laws and learn to analyze the impact of miniaturization quantitatively. The skills acquired in this course will enable the participants to select appropriate techniques, to advance knowledge, and to address technological gaps in the biomedical sciences with the help of microfluidic systems.

Grading

25% participation

75% Written essay

4. Scheduled Program Plan 2021

Please go to our website (www.tu-darmstadt.de/isu) to find the most current version of the program schedule for our VISU 2021 or write us an email.

5. Grading and Credit Points

The grades are calculated as follows:

Credit Points: Virtual International Summer University 2021 at TU Darmstadt					
Sessions	Amount of sessions approx.	Workload in hours approx.	ECTS 1 ECTS = 25 - 30h	US Credit Point 1 ECTS = 0.5 US CP	% Grade
Engineering Credit Points			4	2	34
Lecture Serie: Engineering Courses					
> Automotive Engineering incl. homework and preparation	6	50	2	1	17
> Aeronautical Engineering incl. homework and preparation	6	50	2	1	17
> Mechatronic Engineering incl. homework and preparation	6	50	2	1	17
> Production Engineering incl. homework and preparation	6	50	2	1	17
> Electromagnetic Field Simulation incl. homework and preparation	6	50	2	1	17
> Microfluidics and BioMEMS incl. homework and preparation	6	50	2	1	17
<i>Total: Lecture Serie: Engineering courses</i>	14	100	4	2	34
Intercultural Credit Points			2	1	16
Cross-Cultural Competencies Training for Engineers					
> Intercultural Training	2	25	1	0,5	
> Project work and presentation	1	6,25	0,25	0,125	
> Homework and preparation	1	6,25	0,25	0,125	
Intercultural Experience					
> Company visits, Excursion, Social Events	4	12,5	0,5	0,25	
<i>Total: Cross-Cultural Competencies Training for Engineers</i>		50	2	1	16
German Language Credit Points			6	3	50
German Intensive Language Course					
> Class hours	12	75	3	1,5	
> Homework, preparation and exam	12	75	3	1,5	
<i>Total: German Intensive Language Course</i>	14	150	6	3	50
Total		300	12	6	100