Module title: FOKUS Research Module Topological Insulators
Abbreviation: 11-FM-TI-131-m01

Module coordinator: chairperson of examination committee
Module offered by: Faculty of Physics and Astronomy

ECTS: 10
Method of grading: numerical grade
Duration: 1 semester

Module level: graduate
Other prerequisites: --

Contents:
Topological insulators are a new class of materials with special electrical properties. In this research module, we present and discuss the principles necessary to understand these materials on the basis of current research results.

Intended learning outcomes:
The students have special and advanced knowledge of independent scientific work in the field of topological insulators, and are able to reproduce the acquired knowledge, to apply the acquired methods and to summarise a sub-area of the current research area in an oral presentation.

Courses:
Quantentransport in Halbleiter-Nanostrukturen (Quantum Transport in Semiconductor Nanostructures): V (3 weekly contact hours) + Ü/P (1 weekly contact hour), German or English, once a year (summer semester)
Kompaktseminar Topologische Isolatoren (Block Taught Seminar Topological Insulators): S (2 weekly contact hours), German or English, details on availability to be announced (block taught seminar (1 to 3 days) held towards the end of semester break or at the beginning of the subsequent semester)

Method of assessment:
This module has the following assessment components
1. Topics covered in lectures and exercises: written examination (approx. 90 minutes) or talk (approx. 30 minutes) or oral examination of one candidate each or oral examination in groups (approx. 30 minutes) or project report (approx. 8 pages)
2. Seminar: talk (approx. 30 to 45 minutes)

Assessment components 1 and 2 will be offered in German or English.
Students must register for assessment components 1 and 2 online (details to be announced). Assessment component 1 will be offered once a year in the summer semester; details on when assessment component 2 will be offered to be announced.
To pass this module, students must pass both assessment component 1 and assessment component 2.

Allocation of places:
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Additional information:
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Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes):
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Module appears in:
Bachelor’s degree (1 major) Nanostructure Technology (2010)
Master’s degree (1 major) FOKUS Physics (2010)
Master’s degree (1 major) FOKUS Physics (2011)