

Module title		Abbreviation
Surface Science		11-SSC-172-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by
Managing Director of the Institute of Applied Physics		Faculty of Physics and Astronomy
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
6	numerical grade	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	graduate	--
Contents		
<p>Relevance of surfaces and interfaces, distinction between bulk phases, classical description, continuum models. Atomic structure: Reconstructions and adsorbates, surface orientation and symmetries. Microscopic processes involving surfaces. Thermodynamics of surfaces, adsorption and desorption, equilibria, thermodynamic phases, experimental characterisation. Electronic structure of surfaces, chemical bonding, surface conditions, spin-orbit coupling: Rashba effect and topological insulators. Magnetism on surfaces.</p>		
Intended learning outcomes		
<p>The students have gained an overview of the diverse aspects of surface physics and especially know the causes and contexts of physical peculiarities of surfaces and interfaces. Additionally, they know the most important experimental techniques and their specific application possibilities in the context of surface physics.</p>		
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
<p>V (3) + R (1) Module taught in: Englisch</p>		
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)		
<p>a) written examination (approx. 90 to 120 minutes) or b) oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 30 minutes) or c) oral examination in groups (groups of 2, approx. 30 minutes per candidate) or d) project report (approx. 8 to 10 pages) or e) presentation/talk (approx. 30 minutes). If a written examination was chosen as method of assessment, this may be changed and assessment may instead take the form of an oral examination of one candidate each or an oral examination in groups. If the method of assessment is changed, the lecturer must inform students about this by four weeks prior to the original examination date at the latest. Assessment offered: In the semester in which the course is offered and in the subsequent semester Language of assessment: German and/or English</p>		
Allocation of places		
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Additional information		
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Workload		
180 h		
Teaching cycle		
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Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)		
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Module appears in		
<p>Master's degree (1 major) Physics (2016) Master's degree (1 major) Nanostructure Technology (2016) Master's teaching degree Gymnasium MINT Teacher Education PLUS, Elite Network Bavaria (ENB) (2016) Supplementary course MINT Teacher Education PLUS, Elite Network Bavaria (ENB) (2016)</p>		

Master's degree (1 major) Nanostructure Technology (2020)
Master's degree (1 major) Physics (2020)
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Supplementary course MINT Teacher Education PLUS, Elite Network Bavaria (ENB) (2020)
Master's degree (1 major) Quantum Technology (2021)
exchange program Physics (2023)