

Syllabus

Course description

Course title	Electrochemical energy storage and conversion
Course code	45534
Scientific sector	ING-IND/23 "Applied Physical Chemistry"
Degree	Master Energy Engineering
Semester	2
Year	2
Academic year	2023/2024
Credits	6
Modular	no

Total lecturing hours	60
Total lab hours	24
Total exercise hours	36
Attendance	Attendance to at least 75% laboratory lessons is mandatory
Prerequisites	Bachelor level courses: chemistry and physics with basic thermodynamics; materials science and technology
Course page	https://www.unibz.it/en/faculties/engineering/master-energy-engineering/course-offering/

Specific educational objectives	<p>The course aims to introduce the main applications of electrochemical energy production, storage and conversion. Special emphasis is given to hydrogen, as a green energy vector, its production and use according to the specific guidelines of the European Green Deal, and actions necessary to match the emission reductions target for 2030, and make European climate neutral in 2050. Students will learn of the main types of electrochemical energy conversion and storage devices on the market, understand their specificity, impact on the environment, and learn of the sustainability of different solutions. The main industrial electrochemical technologies dedicated to energy production and storage are presented and analyzed through lectures, laboratory experiments and, if possible, visits to industrial plants.</p>
Lecturer	Dr. Ataollahi Narges
Scientific sector of the lecturer	ING-IND/23
Teaching language	English
Office hours	By appointment
Teaching assistant (if any)	-

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List of topics covered	This course covers the principles of electrochemical energy production, storage and conversion. Main topics include: (i) the study of equivalent circuits, (ii) thermodynamics, (iii) reaction kinetics, (iv) transport phenomena, (v) hydrogen production and use; (vi) applications to batteries, fuel cells, electrolyzers and supercapacitors.
Teaching format	Frontal lectures and exercises

Learning outcomes	<p>Knowledge and understanding: profound and detailed scientific knowledge and understanding of the principles of electrochemistry</p> <p>Applying Knowledge and understanding: main applications in electrochemical energy production, storage and conversion systems</p> <p>Making judgments: skills and problem-solving capacity to analyze real cases of electrochemical energy storage and conversion</p> <p>Communication skills: ability to structure and prepare scientific and technical documentation describing project activities</p> <p>Learning skills: ability to independently work and update on developments in the most important sectors of electrochemical energy production, storage and conversion</p>
Assessment	<p>The formative assessment includes the preparation of a report on laboratory activity as a group or developing a project on one of the course's topics which can be done individually. The assessment is based on the evaluation of the report or project.</p> <p>The summative assessment will be based on the preparation of practical laboratory activity or project and assessed by a PowerPoint presentation given by the student, and evaluated by questions and discussion.</p>
Assessment language	English
Evaluation criteria and criteria for awarding marks	The evaluation criteria are based on the accurate performance of laboratory activities or methodology and accuracy of results elaboration. The affirmative evaluation of laboratory activities (based on reports or projects) is required to proceed with the oral exam. The oral exam is based on a PowerPoint presentation which will be evaluated by quality and nature of presentation and ability to answer the related questions. The final mark is based on both lab activity and oral exam (50-50).
Required readings	One of the following books:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fundamentals of electrochemistry Bagotsky • Electrochemistry for material science – Plieth • Hydrogen Storage Technology Materials and Applications, ed. Lennie Klebanof • Electrochemical Power Sources (Batteries, Fuel Cells and Supercapacitors, ed V.S Bagotsky, A.M Skundin, Y.M Volfkovich • Battery Technology Crash Course, Slobodan Petrovic • Bianchi e Mussini- Elettrochimica - ed. Masson
<p>Supplementary readings</p>	<p>Other files dedicated to specific topics will be indicated or given during the course.</p>