

## COURSE DESCRIPTION – ACADEMIC YEAR 2025/2026

<b>Course title</b>	<b>Energy Efficiency in Wood Production and Final use</b>
<b>Course code</b>	42626
<b>Scientific sector</b>	ING/IND 10
<b>Degree</b>	Bachelor in Wood Engineering (L-P03)
<b>Semester</b>	1
<b>Year</b>	3
<b>Credits</b>	4
<b>Modular</b>	No

  

<b>Total lecturing hours</b>	40
<b>Total exercise hours</b>	-
<b>Attendance</b>	Strongly recommended
<b>Prerequisites</b>	none
<b>Course page</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="https://www.unibz.it/en/faculties/engineering/bachelor-wood-technology/">https://www.unibz.it/en/faculties/engineering/bachelor-wood-technology/</a></li> <li>• Microsoft Teams Community (the professor will provide the link during the first lectures).</li> </ul>

  

<b>Specific educational objectives</b>	<p>The present course deals with the fundamental concept of energy efficiency with a special focus on the wood engineering sector.</p> <p>The course consists of 40 hours of frontal lectures dealing with the more theoretical aspects regarding energy efficiency.</p> <p>At first, a general overview on energy resources, vectors and global demand, sustainability and circular economy is presented. Then, the theory behind the concept of efficiency is discussed. Particularly, thermodynamics principles are considered.</p> <p>A key objective of the course is to support the development of a project specifically addressing energy efficiency within the wood engineering sector, thereby complementing theoretical knowledge with practical application.</p>
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<b>Scientific sector of lecturer</b>	ING-IND/10
<b>Teaching language</b>	English
<b>Office hours</b>	Arranged beforehand by email
<b>Lecturing Assistant (if any)</b>	-
<b>Contact LA</b>	-
<b>Office hours LA</b>	-

<b>List of topics</b>	<p>The course will cover the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Energy resources, vectors and global demand.</li> <li>• Thermodynamics principles.</li> <li>• Energy management systems (ISO 50001).</li> <li>• Sustainability and circular economy concepts.</li> <li>• Energy efficiency analysis and evaluation of processes from forests to wood industry.</li> <li>• Energy efficiency analysis and evaluation in wood industry.</li> <li>• Energy efficiency analysis and evaluation of wood residues valorisation and final use.</li> </ul>
<b>Teaching format</b>	<p>The course consists of lectures in which the topics are presented by the professor. Both theoretical topics and applicative examples (exercises) will be presented.</p> <p>Topics will be presented at the blackboard and using electronic slides. Teaching material and additional materials will be provided during the semester.</p>

<b>Learning outcomes</b>	<p>The learning outcomes need to refer to the Dublin Descriptors:</p> <p><u>Knowledge and understanding</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Knowledge and understanding of the fundamentals of energy efficiency and sustainability, especially in the wood industry.</li> </ol> <p><u>Applying knowledge and understanding</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Applying knowledge and understanding to the solution of problems in the field of energy efficiency and, in particular, to efficiency improvement projects.</li> </ol> <p><u>Making judgements</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Ability to make autonomous judgements in the assessment of suitable energy scenarios and ability to understand and propose improvement projects, to be applied to the wood industry.</li> </ol> <p><u>Communication skills</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Communication skills to correctly and properly present the concepts acquired in the course and to solve simple numerical applications regarding energy systems in the wood industry. Ability to communicate issues related to energy efficiency and management.</li> </ol> <p><u>Ability to learn</u></p> <p>Ability to learn skills and acquire tools in the field of energy, sustainability, circular economy to be applied not only in the wood sector, but also in other industrial sectors.</p>
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<b>Assessment</b>	<p>Examination of the course is carried out by means of an oral exam which will cover the theoretical part. The oral examination includes questions to assess the knowledge and understanding of the course topics and questions designed to assess the ability to transfer these skills to case studies and practical applications.</p> <table><tr><th>Form</th><th>%</th><th>Length /duration</th><th>ILOs assessed</th></tr><tr><td>Oral exam</td><td>100</td><td>30 minutes</td><td>1,2,3,4,5</td></tr></table>	Form	%	Length /duration	ILOs assessed	Oral exam	100	30 minutes	1,2,3,4,5
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<b>Assessment language</b>	English								
<b>Assessment Typology</b>	Monocratic								
<b>Evaluation criteria and criteria for awarding marks</b>	<p>It is relevant for the oral exam to: master the specific language (also with respect to the teaching language); prove the understanding of the topics and learning skills; evaluate and establish relationships between topics; grow specific skills in critical thinking.</p> <p>Regarding the practical applications, it is relevant to clearly describe suitable technical solutions and be able to make critical judgments and apply the theoretical concepts.</p>								
<b>Required readings</b>	<p>Çengel, Y. A., &amp; Boles, M. A. (2021). Thermodynamics: An engineering approach (9th ed.). McGraw-Hill Education.</p> <p>Çengel, Y. A., &amp; Ghajar, A. J. (2020). Heat and mass transfer: Fundamentals and applications (6th ed.). McGraw-Hill Education.</p>								
<b>Supplementary readings</b>	Learning material will be provided by the professor during the course.								
<b>Software used</b>	In case, information will be provided at the beginning of the course.								