

Transport Phenomena (E045120)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 6.0

Study time 180 h

Course offerings in academic year 2025-2026

B (semester 2)

Dutch

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Lecturers in academic year 2025-2026

De Mulder, Tom

TW15

lecturer-in-charge

De Paepe, Michel

TW08

co-lecturer

Offered in the following programmes in 2025-2026

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Bachelor of Science in Engineering(main subject Biomedical Engineering)	6	B
Bachelor of Science in Engineering(main subject Chemical Engineering and Materials Science)	6	B
Bachelor of Science in Engineering(main subject Civil Engineering)	6	B
Bachelor of Science in Engineering(main subject Electromechanical Engineering)	6	B
Bachelor of Science in Engineering(main subject Engineering Physics)	6	B
Bridging Programme Master of Science in Engineering Physics	6	B
Preparatory Course European Master of Science in Nuclear Fusion and Engineering Physics	6	B
Preparatory Course Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering	6	B
Preparatory Course Master of Science in Chemical Engineering	6	B
Preparatory Course Master of Science in Fire Safety Engineering	6	B
Preparatory Course Master of Science in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research	6	B

Teaching languages

Dutch

Keywords

fluid mechanics, heat transport, mass transport

Position of the course

This course is introductory and aims at gaining insight in and basic knowledge of the equations and the similarities between transport of heat, mass and impulse. This course is a prerequisite for a number of technical courses from various engineering disciplines.

Contents

- Properties of fluids and flows.
- Statics.
- Fluids in motion.
- Conservation of mass.
- Newton 's Second Law.
- Conservation of energy.
- Conservation of mass, impulse and energy combined.
- Differential form of the equations of flow; Navier-Stokes equation.
- Laminar and turbulent flow.
- Dimensional analysis.
- Introduction to heat transport.
- Stationary heat transport by conduction.
- Virtual practical session with Flowlab.
- Stationary heat transport by convection.
- Heat transport by flow through a pipe; correlations for heat transport by convection.

- Introduction to heat transport by radiation.
- Introduction to mass transport.
- Flow through pressured pipes.

Initial competences

Having followed basic courses on physics ("Natuurkunde I") and mathematics ("Basiswiskunde").

Final competences

- 1 To understand the properties of fluids.
- 2 To master the laws of statics and dynamics and to be able to apply them.
- 3 To understand the law of energy in open and closed systems and to be able to apply it.
- 4 To know the basic laws of stationary heat transport and to be able to apply them.
- 5 To solve problems of stationary heat transport.
- 6 To understand the similarities between transport of impulse, heat and mass.

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Seminar, Lecture

Study material

Type: Handbook

Name: Fundamentals of Momentum, Heat, and Mass transfer
 Indicative price: € 55
 Optional: no
 Language : English
 Author : J. Welty, G.L. Rorrer & D.G. Foster
 ISBN : 978-1-11963-512-3
 Oldest Usable Edition : 5
 Online Available : No
 Available in the Library : Yes
 Available through Student Association : Yes
 Usability and Lifetime within the Course Unit : intensive
 Usability and Lifetime within the Study Programme : regularly
 Usability and Lifetime after the Study Programme : regularly

Type: Slides

Name: Inland waterways and locks
 Indicative price: € 10
 Optional: yes
 Language : Dutch
 Available on Ufora : Yes
 Online Available : No
 Available in the Library : No
 Available through Student Association : No

References

Course content-related study coaching

The lecturer is available before and after the lectures. Additional individual coaching on request.

Assessment moments

end-of-term assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Written assessment open-book

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Written assessment open-book

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

not applicable

Extra information on the examination methods

During examination period: written open-book examination - problems; written open-book examination.

Calculation of the examination mark

Weights: theory 4/20, exercises 16/20.