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## Thermodynamics 311 (MTX 311)

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| <b>Qualification</b>          | Undergraduate   |
| <b>Faculty</b>                | <a href="#">Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology</a>              |
| <b>Module credits</b>         | 16.00   |
| <b>Programmes</b>             | <a href="#">BEng Mechanical Engineering</a><br><a href="#">BEng Mechanical Engineering Engage</a> |
| <b>Prerequisites</b>          | MTX 221   |
| <b>Contact time</b>           | 3 lectures per week, 1 practical per week   |
| <b>Language of tuition</b>    | Module is presented in English  |
| <b>Department</b>             | Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering   |
| <b>Period of presentation</b> | Semester 1  |

### Module content

Third Law of Thermodynamics, availability and useful work. Ideal and real gases. Compressible flow: conservation laws, characteristics of compressible flow, normal shock waves, nozzles and diffusers. Power cycles: classification, internal combustion engine cycles (Otto and Diesel), vapour power cycles (Brayton, Rankine), refrigeration cycles (Reversed Carnot cycle, Reversed Brayton cycle, ammonia absorption cycle) and heat pump cycles. Mixtures of gases: perfect gas mixture, water/air mixtures and processes (psychrometry). Heating and cooling load calculations, basic refrigeration and air-conditioning systems. Combustion: fuels, air-fuel ratios, heat of formation, combustion in internal combustion engines.

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