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MAT SCI 103
Phase Transformations &
Kinetics

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LOGISTICS

Course Website	bCourses (MAT SCI 103 –LEC 001)
Lecture	MWF 11:00-12:00 HMMB 348
Discussion	W 5:00-6:00 HMMB 348
GSI	Max Poschmann, maxp@berkeley.edu
Office Hours	Professor Asta: Mon, 3:00-5:00 pm and Wed, 1:30-3:30 pm, HMMB 216 Max Poschmann (GSI): Th & Fri, 10-11 am, HMMB 350
Textbook	David A. Porter, Kenneth E. Easterling and Mohamed Y. Sherif, <i>Phase Transformations in Metals and Alloys</i> , 3 rd Edition, CRC Press (2009). The information in the textbook will be supplemented by material taken from several other textbooks and related resources. All such material will be uploaded to the course website.
Lectures	Lectures will make use of boardwork, with some powerpoint figures used to augment the content. Although the powerpoint figures will be posted on the course website, the material presented on the board will not be. You are encouraged to attend the lectures, as they will augment what is presented in the textbook.

GRADING

“As a member of the UC Berkeley community, I act with honesty, integrity and respect for others” (<http://www.asuc.org/honorcode/index.php>)

Ethics

Please remember that this is your honor code. It is a simple pledge that will serve you well during your academic career, and provide a solid foundation for success in your career as a practicing professional, when you will be held to even higher standards.

Course Grade

There are no individual thresholds assigned to the different components of your grade. All components are scored, weighted, pooled, then mapped onto a curve for a course grade determination at the end of the semester, based on the following guidelines.

Homework 25%

Due dates: Homework assignments are to be submitted electronically on the course website by 11:59 pm on Fridays. Deadlines are firm, to allow for timely uploading of solutions as additional study guides. When computing the final homework grade, the lowest two scores on the assignments will be dropped. No late assignments will be accepted.

Regrade policy: Homeworks will be graded by the course reader. If you have a question about the grading of an assignment, you must submit a hardcopy of the homework, with a cover sheet explaining your rationale for requesting more points. This must be submitted to the GSI within one week after the homework has been returned. **After one week regrades will not be considered.**

Your homework submissions must be your own work. The objective of these assignments is to guide your self-learning. Homework is not meant to be a “group learning” exercise, and not an artistic alteration of answers from others to avoid a plagiarism charge. Homework sets containing similar solutions may be considered academic dishonesty, in which case zero points will be awarded for the assignment and a report to the [Center for Student Conduct](#) will be considered.

Midterms 40%

Two midterms will be given on the dates listed in the table below. The midterms will be held in class. The exams will be closed-book and you will be provided formula sheets with relevant equations. Midterms are not cumulative. The first exam will test material from the first six weeks, and the second midterm will cover material from the next six weeks.

Regrade policy: If you have a question about the grading of an exam, you must submit it, with a cover sheet explaining your rationale for requesting more points, to the GSI within one week after the exam has been returned. **After one week regrades will not be considered.**

Final Exam 35%

A cumulative three hour final exam will be held on Tuesday, May 9 from 7-10 pm.

COURSE CONTENT AND SCHEDULE

Date	Section	Topics	HW/Exams
Wed, 1/18	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 1:</i> Introduction, Review of Thermodynamics	
Wed, 1/18	5-6pm	<i>Lecture 2:</i> Phase Equilibria and Gibbs Free Energy	
Fri, 1/20	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 3:</i> Gibbs Phase Rule	
Mon, 1/23	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 4:</i> Free Energies of Binary Mixtures	
Wed, 1/25	5-6pm	<i>Lecture 5:</i> Ideal Solutions and Regular Solutions	
Wed, 1/25	11am-12pm	Discussion	
Fri, 1/27	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 6:</i> Bragg Williams model	HW01
Mon, 1/30	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 7:</i> Order-disorder transitions	
Wed, 2/1	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 8:</i> Binary phase diagrams(I)	
Wed, 2/1	5-6pm	Discussion	
Fri, 2/3	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 9:</i> Binary phase diagrams (II)	HW02
Mon, 2/6	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 10:</i> Binary phase diagrams (III)	
Wed, 2/8	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 11:</i> Binary phase diagrams (IV)	
Wed, 2/8	5-6pm	Discussion	
Fri, 2/10	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 12:</i> Ternary phase diagrams (I)	HW03
Mon, 2/13		<i>Lecture 13:</i> Ternary phase diagrams (II)	
Wed, 2/15	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 14:</i> Ternary phase diagrams (III)	
Wed, 2/15	5-6pm	Discussion	
Fri, 2/17	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 15:</i> Fick's first law	HW04
Mon, 2/20	11am-12pm	Campus Holiday	
Wed, 2/22	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 16:</i> Steady-state diffusion	
Wed, 2/22	5-6pm	Discussion	
Fri, 2/24	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 17:</i> Fick's second law	HW05

Mon, 2/27	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 18:</i> Solutions to diffusion equation	
Wed, 3/1	11am-12pm	<i>Midterm 1</i>	EXAM
Wed, 3/1	5-6pm	No Class	
Fri, 3/3	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 19:</i> Atomistic mechanisms of diffusion	
Mon, 3/6	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 20:</i> Diffusion couples	
Wed, 3/8	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 21:</i> Kirkendall effect	
Wed, 3/8	5-6pm	Discussion	
Fri, 3/10	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 22:</i> Interfaces: structure and energy	HW06
Mon, 3/13	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 23:</i> Surfaces and equilibrium crystal shape	
Wed, 3/15	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 24:</i> Solid-solid interfaces	
Wed, 3/15	5-6pm	Discussion	
Fri, 3/17	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 25:</i> Coherent vs. incoherent interfaces	HW07
Mon, 3/20		<i>Lecture 26:</i> Homogeneous nucleation (I)	
Wed, 3/22		<i>Lecture 27:</i> Homogeneous nucleation (II)	
Wed, 3/22		Discussion	
Fri, 3/24		<i>Lecture 28:</i> Homogeneous nucleation (III)	HW08
Mon, 3/27		Spring Break	
Wed, 3/29		Spring Break	
Fri, 3/31		Spring Break	
Mon, 4/3	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 29:</i> Heterogeneous nucleation (I)	
Wed, 4/5	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 30:</i> Heterogeneous nucleation (II)	
Wed, 4/5	5-6pm	Discussion	
Fri, 4/7	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 31:</i> Growth and Avrami equation	HW09
4/10	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 32:</i> TTT diagrams	
4/12	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 33:</i> Growth of pure solid in liquid	
4/12	5-6pm	Discussion	

4/14	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 34:</i> Dendritic growth	HW10
4/17	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 35:</i> Growth of binary solid in liquid	
4/19	11am-12pm	<i>Midterm 2</i>	EXAM
4/19	5-6pm	<i>Lecture 36:</i> Zone refining and coring	
4/21	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 37:</i> Constitutional supercooling Cellular and dendritic solidification	
4/24	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 38:</i> Spinodal decomposition (I)	
4/26	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 39:</i> Spinodal decomposition (II)	
4/26	5-6pm	Discussion	
4/28	11am-12pm	<i>Lecture 40:</i> Martensitic transformations	HW11
5/1		RRR: Reviews TBA	
5/3		RRR: Reviews TBA	
5/5		RRR: Reviews TBA	
5/9	7-10pm	Final Exam Tuesday May 9, 7-10pm	EXAM