

References for Applied Physics 219, Solid State Physics and the Energy Challenges

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Overviews:

This is a graduate level survey course exploring the role of solid state physics in technologies that will help secure the energy future. Energy and environment are complex issues involving science, technology, culture, policy and treaties. Science is the foundation of all of these issues. Solid state physics is a very important branch of science that will play a major role in a number of emerging green technologies. This course will survey the physics principles behind a number of important future energy technologies.

- Overview of technology issues for a secure energy future
- Solar energy and solar cells
- Solid state lighting – LED, fluorescence
- Superconductivity
- Solid state fuel cells and batteries
- Catalysis
- Electrical energy storage

- Thermo-electrical materials
- Thermonic emission – modern version
- PETE
- Spintronics
- Materials under extreme condition – hydrogen storage and nuclear plant materials
- Related topics – nano-materials

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Five Challenges for Science and the Imagination

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