

KOWAN COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

(2)

PROPOSAL TITLE: Polymer Processing 0906-466

UNDERGRADUATE  GRADUATE 3 CREDIT HOURS

SPONSOR(S): C. Stewart Slater

DEPARTMENT & TELEPHONE# Chemical Engineering

CHECK ONE:  COURSE  MINOR PROGRAM  CONCENTRATION  SPECIALIZATION  
 ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATE  CERTIFICATION PROGRAM  MAJOR PROGRAM

<p>STEP #1 (DEPARTMENT)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> APPROVED/DATE: <u>3-27-97</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> NOT APPROVED/DATE:</p> <p><u>[Signature]</u> DEPT. CURRICULUM CHR.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REVIEWED/DATE: <u>3-27-97</u></p> <p><u>[Signature]</u> DEPT. CHR.</p>	<p>STEP #2 (RECEIPT)</p> <p>SCC# <u>9798-1</u></p> <p>DATE RECEIVED: <u>6/97</u></p> <p><u>[Signature]</u> SENATE CURRICULUM CHR.</p>	<p>STEP #3 (SCHOOL)</p> <p>REVIEWED DATE:- <u>3-28-97</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RECOMMEND TO APPROVE</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> RECOMMEND NOT TO APPROVE</p> <p>FORWARD FOR OPEN HEARING</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WITHOUT RESERVATIONS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> WITH RESERVATIONS</p> <p>COMMENTS:</p> <p><u>TRC</u> TRC <u>[Signature]</u> RAD <u>[Signature]</u> JLS</p> <p><u>[Signature]</u> CSS <u>[Signature]</u> SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHR.</p>
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STEP #4 (ACADEMIC DEAN) COMMENTS:

RECOMMEND

NOT RECOMMEND

CONDITIONALLY RECOMMEND (SEE COMMENTS)

DATE & SIGNATURE, DEAN OF SCHOOL [Signature]

STEP #5 (SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE)

DATE OF OPEN HEARING 10-9-97

APPROVED BY SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE (DATE) 10-8-97

RETURNED TO SPONSOR(S) FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

STEP #6 (SENATE)

DATE PRESENTED TO SENATE 10-21-97  APPROVED  NOT APPROVED

NOTIFICATION TO EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT/PROVOST (DATE) 10-23-97

SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR SIGNATURE/DATE Louetta Reeves

STEP #7 (EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT/PROVOST)

DATE RECEIVED \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED:  YES  NO

), REASONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

STUDENT CREDIT HOURS \_\_\_\_\_

FACULTY LOAD HOURS \_\_\_\_\_

EQUALIZED CREDIT HOURS \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICIAL COPY & APPROVAL SHEET FILED (DATE) \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT/PROVOST *C. J. [unclear]*

REGISTRAR

DATE APPROVED COURSE DESCRIPTION RECEIVED 8 Jan 98

REGIS TAXONOMY AND COURSE NUMBER ASSIGNED 0906-466

DATE/SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR *B. J. Kelsey*

NOTIFICATION FORWARD:

SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSON(S)

ACADEMIC DEAN(S)

REGISTRAR

SPONSOR(S)

*Transmitted  
1/23/98*

## *Course Proposal*

### *1. Details:*

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| <b>a) Course Title:</b>                                | Polymer Processing 0906-466   |
| <b>b) Sponsor:</b>                                     | Dr. C. Stewart Slater, Chemical Engineering   |
| <b>c) Credit Hours:</b>                                | 3 credit hours  |
| <b>d) Course Level:</b>                                | Senior  |
| <b>e) Curricular Effect:</b>                           | Technical Elective for Chemical Engineering majors  |
| <b>f) Prerequisites:</b>                               | Engrg. Materials, Reaction Engrg, Chem. Engrg. Thermo   |
| <b>g) Suggested Time/<br/>Scale of Implementation:</b> | Fall 1999<br>1 section  |
| <b>h) Resources:</b>                                   | Faculty will be hired and equipment obtained consistent with Engineering School multi-year budget. No computer software beyond what is planned for existing courses is required. Library acquisitions will be required consistent with current acquisition plans. |

### *2. Rationale:*

The proposed course is part of the Engineering Curriculum Proposal approved by the College Senate in December 1994. The proposed course is consistent with the establishment of the School of Engineering approved by the Board of Trustees in February 1995.

The course will address the area of processing of advanced materials that are important to chemical engineering. The course will build on the fundamentals learned in the core Engineering Materials course and in the "advanced chemistry" courses like Organic Chemistry or Introduction to Polymer Science.

### *3. Essence of the Course:*

#### **a) Objectives:**

The proposed course is a Chemical Engineering applications elective in the Chemical Engineering Program and meets requirements of the Education and Accreditation committee (EAC) of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) for accreditation of the program by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET).

The course will provide advanced knowledge in the area of polymeric material processing: the relationship between their structure, properties and fabrication techniques. These will be analyzed with regard to applications in industry.

#### **b) Topical Outline:**

Upon completion of this course students will be able to:

1. Understand the basic engineering concepts of polymers systems beyond basic material science and advanced chemistry.
2. Analyze and mathematically model the kinetics/reaction engineering pathways of polymer reactions.
3. Describe polymer viscous flow behavior for Newtonian and non-Newtonian systems.
4. Evaluate and predict mechanical properties of polymers and deformation mechanics.
5. Evaluate fabrication processes of mixing and single and multi-dimensional processes such as coating, extrusion, molding, laminates.
6. Understand the manufacturing parameters related to the production of thin-films and membranes, e.g., stretching, template leaching, phase inversion, hollow fiber spinning.
7. Apply mathematical/computer routines (CACHE software) to design and simulate polymer production.
8. Understand the relationship between polymer function and manufacturing parameters in terms of industrial applications.

**b) Topical Outline:**

The topics to be covered are listed below. The instructor will supply the students with a syllabus during the first week of classes. The instructor will assess any technology advances in the subject matter prior to the course and make topic changes as deemed appropriate to maintain the level and currency of instruction.

Introduction

Basic structure and types of polymers

Physical characteristics

Physical states; amorphous and crystalline

Plasticization and crystallization

Polymer formation and processes

Polymerization reactions and kinetics

Copolymerization and polymer modification

Polymerization processes

Viscous flow

- Polymer shapes in solution and viscosity
- Process parameter effects

- Mechanical properties at small deformations
  - Viscoelasticity models and determination
  - Effect of molecular weight, crystallinity and fillers

- Properties of polymer systems
  - Design goals in compounding
  - Properties: hardness, density, thermal, electrical conductivity
  - Failure and stress-strain tests
  - Break energy, creep failure, fatigue
  - Degradation and stabilization of polymer systems

- Fabrication processes – process parameters and equipment
  - Mixing
  - One-dimensional processes
    - Coatings, adhesives
  - Two-dimensional processes
    - Extrusion; film, sheet, tubing; fibers; laminates
  - Three-dimensional processes
    - Molding, foams

- Manufacturing processes for thin-films and membranes– process parameters and equipment
  - Sintering
  - Stretching
  - Track-etching
  - Template leaching
  - Phase inversion
  - Coating
  - Special cases of hollow fiber spinning

- Characterization of polymers

- Application of mathematical/computer methods to polymer production
  - Process design and simulation

- Industrial applications
  - Petroleum production/refining
  - Bioengineering
  - Medical/Pharmaceutical devices
  - Food and beverage packaging
  - Pollution prevention
  - Occupational safety and health

## Aerospace/Automobile design

### **c) Evaluation and Grading Procedure of Students:**

Student grades will be determined based on examinations, homework and/or mini projects. A course syllabus with a stated method of arriving the final grade, e.g., number of exams, projects, homework, percentage of grade, will be distributed to students the first week of classes.

### **d) Course Evaluation:**

The proposed course will be evaluated on the basis of student evaluations and curriculum review by appropriate faculty.

### ***4. Results of Consultations:***

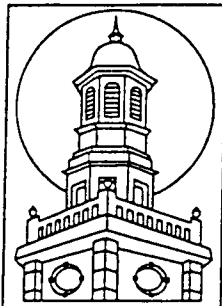
The proposed course is part of the Engineering Curriculum Proposal approved by the Faculty Senate in December 1994. Consultations were submitted with original proposal as specified by the Curriculum Committee. Consultations have been made with Chemistry faculty in the Department of Chemistry and Physics who have provided a letter of support.

### ***Catalog Description***

Polymer Processing (0906.466)

*(Prerequisites: Engrg. Materials, Reaction Engrg, Chem. Engrg. Thermo)*

The course provides an introduction to the various aspects of polymer engineering starting with basic polymer properties, structure and function. The major topics covered are the formation of polymer systems and manufacturing techniques. Fabrication processes topics include coating, extrusion, and foams. The production of thin-films and membranes will focus on stretching, phase inversion, and hollow fiber spinning. Students will study application of polymeric materials engineering to various industries.



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*Department of Chemistry and Physics*

To: Curriculum Committee  
From: Robert Newland, Chairperson  
Subject: Chemical Engineering Technical Electives  
Date: February 15, 1996

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I have examined the course proposals listed below and find them in accord with the previously submitted curriculum plan. I also have noted where courses require chemistry and /or physics prerequisites and am convinced there are no additional resources required to meet this demand for our courses. We fully support these proposals.

Electrochemical Engineering  
Environmental Regulations in Technology Industries  
Environmental Considerations in Process Design  
Process Safety  
Membrane Process Technology  
Advanced Separation Technology  
Process Heat Transfer  
Fluid Flow in Processing and Manufacturing  
Advanced Reactor Design  
Bioprocess Engineering  
Transport Phenomena