Optical Coatings from Design through Manufacture

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* Will bring laptop? Yes / No *

Refund policy - Registration fees are not refundable unless the course is oversubscribed or cancelled by Thin Film Center.

Course Fee £1,750

SAVE! Pay before February 1, 2008 and receive a **£250** discount

SAVE AGAIN! Bring your own laptop and receive a **£200** discount

The course fee covers all lecture notes, coffee breaks and lunches, but not hotel accommodation.

(Microsoft Windows Operating System with Administrator privileges where appropriate. Must permit temporary installation of Essential Macleod software from CD.)

We accept MasterCard

Optical Coatings from Design through Manufacture

A logical approach to optical coatings, their design, manufacture, properties and application.
Optical coatings are traditionally thought to be rather mysterious with the unexpected the norm, and success dependent on skill and experience and a certain degree of good fortune. However there are excellent reasons for even the extremely bizarre behavior of coatings and it is an understanding of these reasons that is the key to real, effective, expertise in the subject. Understanding is the emphasis throughout this course, which covers all aspects of coatings from design through manufacture.
The course is a mixture of formal lectures and hands-on tutorials with a computer for each student. The objective is the presentation of a logical unified treatment of the subject with emphasis throughout on understanding and reasoning.
There are no prerequisites although a familiarity with high-school mathematics and/or science would be useful.

Instructor

Dr. Angus Macleod has over 200 publications in the field of optics including the book *Thin Film Optical Filters*. He is Professor Emeritus of Optical Sciences at the University of Arizona and President of Thin Film Center Inc. For his work in education and research he was presented the 2004 Lifetime Achievement Award of the European Society of Vacuum Coaters, the 2002 Nathaniel H Sugerman Award of the SVC, the 1997 Esther Hoffman Beller Medal of the OSA and the 1987 Gold Medal of the SPIE. He has taught courses in optical topics all over the world to classes from one or two to over two hundred. He specializes in teaching techniques for understanding and logical thinking that avoid complicated theory without oversimplification.

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Spring Masterclass

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A short course with hands-on computer-aided design given by **Professor Angus Macleod**

10-14 March 2008
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Thin Film Optical Coatings

Calculation of the optical properties of a given thin-film coating is straightforward. Designing for desired optical properties is rather more difficult. Reverse engineering that attempts to identify the errors responsible for manufacturing failures is similar to design but requires a greater level of understanding. Computers are absolutely necessary in these tasks and so hands-on instruction in computer-aided techniques is important in the course. But methods that help in understanding the output of the computer, including powerful back-of-the-envelope approaches, are even more important and are covered in detail. Optimization and synthesis, included in the course, are impressive methods but in no way replacements for understanding.

Optical film behavior is quite different from that of similar bulk material and it is film microstructure that is largely responsible. Film growth, microstructure, crystallinity, interaction with the environment and, especially, failure modes are important course topics. Much of this can be included in a simple yet comprehensive model of film growth.

A further course objective is an appreciation of deposition processes, the effect of deposition errors, and of tolerances.

Hands-on computing tutorials using the Macleod software reinforce the lectures and allow individual instruction, even including aspects of a student's own specific problems. Students may opt in advance to use their own laptops for this (must have Windows and permit temporary installation of the Macleod software) or we will provide a computer for the duration of the course.

The lecture notes are extensive and have been specially written. Attending the course is the only way in which they may be obtained.

Provisional Syllabus

Day 1	*Fundamentals.* *Dielectrics, metals, semiconductors.* *Coating types.* *Thin film calculations.* *Visualization and analysis tools.*
Day 2	*More tools.* *Polarization.* *Color.* *Design of specific coatings.*
Day 3	*Optimization and synthesis.* *Thin film deposition processes.* *Optical monitoring and tolerances.*
Day 4	*Microstructure, crystallinity & film growth.* *Thin film properties and their relation to microstructure.* *Moisture adsorption.*
Day 5	*Adhesion, stress abrasion resistance, thermal cycling.* *Reverse engineering.*
Day 1-5	*Problem solving.* *Hands-on tutorial sessions.*

Dates and Times

Monday 10th - Thursday 13th March 2008
9.00 am - 4.30 pm
Friday 14th March 2008
9.00am - 12.00 pm
Registration - 8.50 am Monday 10th March

Course Location

Premier Travel Inn
Gatwick/ Crawley South

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PLEASE NOTE: *There are 5 Premier Travel Inns in the Gatwick vicinity. To ensure your arrival at the correct location, please make sure that you ask for the Premier Travel Inn on* ***GOFFS PARK ROAD****!*

Enquiries

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Software

The ***Essential Macleod*** *software for optical coating design and analysis that will be used on the course is available from* ***Thin Film Center Inc****, in the USA, or its agents listed above. Write, telephone, fax or e-mail for full details of specification and price.*

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