Course Unit Descriptor

**Study Programme:** Physics

Course Unit Title: Semiconducting and nano-materials

Course Unit Code: M18PMN

Name of Lecturer(s): Full Professor Srđan Rakić

Type and Level of Studies: Master Academic Studies in Physics

Course Status (compulsory/elective): Compulsory

Semester (winter/summer): Winter

Language of instruction: English

Mode of course unit delivery (face-to-face/distance learning): Face-to-face

**Number of ECTS Allocated: 8** 

**Prerequisites:** None

#### **Course Aims:**

The aim of this course is to gain an extensive knowledge of the properties of semiconductors and band structure with particularly accent to semiconducting nanomaterials.

#### **Learning Outcomes:**

On completion of this module, student should be able to understand basic ideas of electronic states in nanomaterials.

### **Syllabus:**

Theory

Drude and Somemerfild theory of free electrons and thier disadvantage. Crystal and reciprocal lattice. Types of crystal lattice. Diffraction of X-rays. Properties of electrons in periodical potentials. Bloch theorem. Brillouin zone. Boundary conditions at the surface. The influence of grain size ("size effects") in nanoscale materials. Free electrons in 2D structures and zonal structures. The zonal structure in 3D. Fermi-surface. Classical and quantum theory of harmonic oscilation in crystals. Phonons. Defects in crystals. Homogeneous and dishomogeneous semiconductors and nanomaterials. Electron interactions and magnetic structure. Magnetic ordering.

### **Required Reading:**

Weekly Contact Hours: Lectures: 3 Practical work: 3

# **Teaching Methods:**

Lectures, theoretical practice, experimental practice.

## **Knowledge Assessment (maximum of 100 points):** 100

| Pre-exam obligations | points | Final exam   | points |
|----------------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| Active class         | 10     | written exam | _      |
| participation        |        | Witten exam  |        |
| Practical work       | -      | oral exam    | 50     |
| Preliminary exam(s)  | -      | Homework     | 20     |
| Seminar(s)           | 20     |              |        |