AR543 HVAC Systems HRS 3-0-0 CR-3

Objective

This course aims to impart fundamental understanding about heating, ventilation and air-conditioning in buildings. Basic principles of thermodynamics and air-conditioning process is covered with a specific orientation towards human comfort, the course enables the student to calculate and estimate heating or cooling load of a building and design the air-conditioning system in an effective manner. Different types of air-conditioning system and ducting system are also taught in the course.

Module 1 DEFINITIONS AND LAWS

Definition & Units of Thermodynamic quantities - Heat (Specific heat & Latent heat), Pressure (Absolute, Gauge & Atmospheric Pressure), Absolute Temperature (Scales & measurement). PH diagram of water to understand Latent heat, Sensible heat, Superheat & Enthalpy, Degree of Superheat & Dryness Fraction.

Laws of Thermodynamics with respect to refrigerators & heat pumps, COP & EER of HVAC systems. Working principle of a Vapour Compression Refrigeration system with schematics & TS diagram. Application, Properties & Dupont Nomenclature of refrigerants.

Module 2

AIRCONDITIONING PRINCIPLES

Heat Gains in Building Systems – Thermal Conductivity and U value of Building Materials. Conductive heat transfer through composite walls & pipes. Solar Heat Gain through Fenestration systems. Numerical

Sensible and Latent Gains, Humidification & Dehumidification, Thermal comfort conditions & Comfort Chart.

Classification, Principle, construction and working of Summer and Winter Air-conditioning systems. Cooling load calculations. Numerical using Psychometric chart.

Module 3 HEATING SYSTEMS

Space Heating: Conventional & Unconventional Heating systems, Radiant panel and Hydronic Heating systems. Passive heating and cooling techniques, Green heating systems.

Module 4 COOLING SYSTEMS

Air Distribution Systems – Natural & Mechanical ventilation systems, Supply, Return and Recirculation Ducts. Indoor air quality and Air Filters.

Thermostats and Humidistat. Centrifugal blowers and Exhausters.

Different types of air-conditioning systems. Window, split, ductable AC, etc.

Introduction to central air conditioning systems.

Understanding 2 pipe & 4 Pipe CV and VAV systems. Chilled Air and Water systems, Spatial requirement of HVAC plants and duct layout.

Module 5

Design of Air-conditioning system for a building as decided by the subject teacher.

References

1. Bovay, H. E. (1981). Handbook of Mechanical & Electrical systems for Buildings. McGraw-Hill Higher Education.