



FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF ESPÍRITO SANTO
CENTER FOR AGRARIAN SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING
GRADUATE PROGRAM IN FOREST SCIENCES

Degrees: Master's and Doctorate



TEACHING PLAN

1) SUBJECT IDENTIFICATION

Subject	WOOD MODIFICATION: THERMAL AND OTHER PROCESSES
Code	PGCF-2551
Hours per semester	60 hours (Theoretical: 60 h)
Credits:	4
Entry Requirement(s)	-----
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Djeison Cesar Batista, PhD.

2) CONTENTS

Modifying the properties of wood; thermal modification of wood: processes and their variables; chemical changes; physical changes; biological properties of thermally modified wood; impact of thermal modification on other wood properties; other processes of wood modification.

3) OBJECTIVES

- To teach the importance of wood modification.
- To understand the effect of thermal modification on the main properties of wood.
- To know other current industrial processes for wood modification.

4) DETAILED CONTENTS

DESCRIPTION	HOURS
The current use of wood and the need for its modification	6
Modifying the properties of wood	8
Thermal modification of wood: processes and variables	8
Chemistry of thermally modified wood	8
Physical properties of thermally modified wood	8
Biological properties of thermally modified wood	8
Other properties and performance of thermally modified wood	6
Other processes of wood modification	8

5) METHODOLOGY

- Students will be instructed to study and annotate specific material from the recommended bibliography. The annotations will be taken to the classes for discussion with the lecturer and other students.

6) EVALUATION (subject to change in agreement with students)

TYPE	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE (%)
Annotations and participation	X	30
Bibliographic review	1	30
Presentation of scientific articles (individual or group work)	2	40

7) BIBLIOGRAPHY

BASIC

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