

# Brief Introduction of Materials Engineering Department

The major of Materials Science & Engineering was established in Panzhihua University in 2001.

In July 2004 a new department, Materials Engineering Department (MED), was founded according to the existing majors. Now there are three undergraduate majors in MED, including Materials Science and Engineering, Metallurgical Engineering, Materials Molding and Controlling Techniques.

There are more than 30 full-time and part-time teachers in MED with an average age of 36. Among them, there are 5 doctors, 16 postgraduates, 5 professors, 6 associate professors, and 16 lecturers. According to the plan of course construction, MED will enhance the faculty by two means: training teachers and employing new experts.

The laboratories of MED cover almost 5000 square meters and the value of equipment is worth more than RMB 20 million Yuan. There is a Key Laboratory of Sichuan Province on Vanadium and Titanium Materials and Composite Technology, a Key Laboratory of Panzhihua City on Titanium Materials and a Laboratory of Integrated Utilization of Vanadium and Titanium Materials.

Up to now, MED has achieved some initial successes in the field of science research. For example, MED now plays a part in 16 science research items, and it has awarded 4 state patents, many municipal science & research prizes, and has published 6 books of teaching materials, monographs, as well as over 100 academic thesis.

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