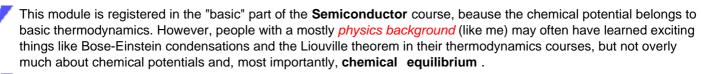
A vague discomfort at the thought of the chemical potential is still characteristic of a physics education.

This intellectual gap is due to the obscurity of the writings of J. Willard Gibbs who discovered and understood the matter 100 years ago.

C. Kittel; Preface to his book: Introduction to Solid State Physics

The Chemical Potential



If you want to refresh your memory, the following link will take you to the hyperscript "Defects in Crystals" which contains a detailed discussion of the chemical potential in its "Advanced" part.