NTST689

Seminar in New Testament Backgrounds and Christian Origins

Particular topics announced in advance. Repeatable. Admission for non-doctoral students by permission of professor.

LANGUAGES

NTST551

Beginning Greek

An introduction to the grammar and syntax of New Testament Greek for students without a working knowledge of the language. Not credited toward the MDiv degree, but must be counted as 3 credits in course load.

NTST552

Intermediate Greek

Completes the coverage of grammar and syntax and includes extensive reading in the Greek New Testament. Prerequisite: NTST551 or equivalent.

NTST608

(2-3)

Advanced Greek Grammar and Syntax

An intense and rigorous course to give students high proficiency in the Koine Greek of the New Testament and cognate literature. It presupposes a knowledge of vocabulary and paradigms equivalent to that attained by successfully completing NTST552.

NTST618

Syriac

Basic elements of grammar and syntax with a practical vocabulary; attaining proficiency in reading to enable continued independent study; comparisons with Hebrew for a better understanding of biblical Hebrew in its Semitic setting. Repeatable.

NTST665

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Basic elements of Coptic grammar and syntax, readings in the Coptic New Testament and other Coptic literature.

NTST696

Seminar in Hellenistic Greek

Selected readings in and analysis of various sources such as the Greek New Testament, Septuagint, papyri, Josephus, Philo, Apostolic Fathers, or related texts. Admission for nondoctoral students by permission of professor.

INDIVIDUAL STUDIES

NTST690 Independent Study

(1-4)

(2-3)

Research on an individual basis dealing with problems in the field of the New Testament. Open only to students who have completed basic courses in New Testament. Repeatable. See general guidelines under Academic Information.

Directed Reading in New Testament Studies Independent reading in selected subjects. Repeatable.

OLD **TESTAMENT**

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Courses

(Credits)

See inside front cover for symbol code.

OTST500

Survey of the Old Testament

An introductory survey of the history, literature, and backgrounds of the Old Testament for students who have not had such a course on the college level.

OTST570

Readings in the Old Testament (English)

Covers selected books/passages of the Old Testament, based primarily on the English text with reference to the Hebrew/Aramaic original, normally offered off campus for the MA Min. students and others who have not taken Hebrew. Not applicable for MDiv credit. Repeatable.

(2-3) OTST607

Preaching from the Old Testament

An advanced preaching course focusing on the analysis of the types of Old Testament literature and special themes found in selected passages. Identical to CHMN607.

OTST640

The Old Testament and Its Translations

A non-technical survey of the text transmission from antiquity to the present. The terminology and particularities of recent Hebrew Bible editions. Examination in various modern translations of Old Testament passages of textual and theological interest.

OTST659

(2-3)Studies in Old Testament Issues

A study of selected issues such as the formation of the Old Testament canon, questions of introduction, historicity of Genesis 1-11, Messianism, and Old Testament eschatology. Repeatable.

OTST820

Textual Criticism

Detailed comparative textual examination of challenging Old Testament passages involving the ancient versions and Qumran, using both text editions and manuscripts. Repeatable. Prerequisites: OTST654, OTST660, additional languages as needed. Admission by permission of instructor.

THEOLOGY

OTST520

(2-3)

Theology of the Old Testament

Introduction of Old Testament theology. Distinctive theological concepts of selected books and major theological themes of the whole Old Testament from the perspective of Christian faith.

Seminar in Old Testament Theology

Selected aspects of Old Testament theology, such as the nature and function of Old Testament theology, the method of Old Testament theology, and the development of major theological themes. Repeatable.

OTST627 (2-3)

Jewish Life and Thought

An introduction to Jewish beliefs and theology, liturgy and festivals, and thinking and philosophy as they illuminate approaches to the Bible and Hebrew customs.

OTST835 (3)

Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures

The theology of an individual book or block of books in 1 of the 3 divisions of the Hebrew canon: Torah (Pentateuch), Prophets, and Writings. Content announced in advance. Repeatable.

(3)

Methodology in Biblical Theology

The development of biblical theology from the Reformation to the present with special attention to current methodologies.

OTST945 (3)

Seminar in Biblical Theology

Major theological themes and thought patterns of the Bible with special attention to such subjects as the unity of the Bible, the relation between the Testaments, and Biblical authority. Identical to NTST945.

HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

OTST510

(2-3)

Archaeology and the Bible

The assembling of archaeological and ancient textual material which, interpreted from the philosophical viewpoint of the Bible, emphasizes the accuracy and authenticity of the Scriptures. A study of cultures, customs, languages, and rituals that throw light on the statements of God's Word.

OTST514 (2-3)

Bible Lands and Their Explorations

Countries of the Bible and archaeological explorations carried out in them during the past 150 years; the geographical setting of Bible history; the background, rise, and progress of biblical archaeology; methods employed by archaeologists in using material excavated and found in the Near East.

OTST604 (2-3)

History of the Ancient Near East

An introduction to the history of the Ancient Near East up to the time of Alexander the Great. Topics alternate between the history of Egypt and the history of Mesopotamia. Emphasis on the intersection with biblical history. Students may take each topic once.

OTST605

Seminar in Old Testament History

Individual research on specific problems for advanced students in Old Testament history. Prerequisite: OTST635 or OTST604 or equivalent. Repeatable.

OTST614

Archaeology of Palestine

An introduction to the principles, methods, and results of archaeological research in Palestine, especially in how they impact biblical studies.

OTST615

Seminar in Archaeology and History of Antiquity

The archaeology and historical discoveries and problems related to the Old Testament. Repeatable. Prerequisite: OTST510 or 514 or equivalent and OTST614 or equivalent.

OTST630

Archaeological Field Work

In connection with the Andrews-sponsored archaeological expeditions, qualified students obtain practical training in archaeological field work by assisting in the supervising of excavations, drawing, registering, reading of pottery, and kindred work. Repeatable to 12 credits.

OTST635 (2-3)

History of Israel

An introduction to the history of Israel in the pre-monarchial, monarchial, and post-monarchial periods.

OTST638 (2-3)

Archaeology in Evangelism

An introduction to the use of archaeology in evangelistic settings. Field projects are observed and presented by students. Prerequisites: OTST510 and CHMN615.

OTST810 (3)

Near Eastern Archaeology

Covers such periods of antiquity as the Bronze Age, Iron Age, Early Christian period, and Byzantine times. A study of ancient artifacts, architecture, and other mainly non-written materials. Repeatable. Prerequisite: OTST614 or equivalent.

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

OTST551 (2-3)

Biblical Hebrew I

The fundamentals of biblical Hebrew: a small but practical vocabulary, an understanding of the grammatical structure of the language, and practice in the use of lexicons and commentaries. Aims to provide the minister with a practical study tool.

OTST552 (2-3)

Biblical Hebrew II

Development of reading ability in narrative portions of the Hebrew Bible for the student who has OTST551 or its equivalent.

(2-3)

Ancient Near Eastern Languages

Basic elements of grammar and syntax, with a practical vocabulary, for one of the following

(2-3) languages: Akkadian, Egyptian, Ugaritic, Syriac, and Coptic. Language announced in advance. Repeatable.

OTST625 (2-3)

Biblical Hebrew III

The reading of substantial portions of various types of prose and poetry in the Hebrew Bible, with attention to matters of syntax. Prerequisite: OTST551 and 552 or their equivalent. Repeatable.

OTST654 (2-3)

Biblical Aramaic

(1-8)

Study of the essentials of grammar and syntax (with some reference to biblical Hebrew)