

BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

BT 508 • The Bible and the Interpreter 1.5 Credits

An introduction to the relationship of writer, text, and reader in the interpretation process (philosophical hermeneutics) and to methods for studying the Bible (exegesis). Students will gain skills for interpreting various literary genres of Scripture.

Special Notes: Enrollment limited to M.A.M.F.T and M.A.M.H.C students.

BT 510 • Hermeneutics 3 Credits

Introduction to biblical interpretation. Analysis of relationship of author, text, and reader in the interpretive process. Analysis of biblical books using sound exegetical method: within their original cultural contexts and attending to genre and whole book context. Application of scriptural messages to contemporary contexts, respectfully engaging realities of human diversity.

Special Notes: This course should be taken as soon as possible after entering seminary and is a prerequisite for all advanced courses in biblical studies.

BT 610 • Issues in Global Biblical Studies 1.5,3 Credits

This course combines two essential pieces for preparing students for serious engagement in biblical scholarship. The first is an introduction to the history of the interpretation of the Bible, particularly the last two centuries. The second component addresses current issues in biblical scholarship, such as the use of the Old Testament in the New Testament, historiography, theological hermeneutics, biblical theology, and global approaches to biblical studies.

Prerequisites: BT 510.

BT 655 • Integrative Hermeneutics 1.5,3 Credits

An in-depth look at the human experience of interpretation, through the grid of philosophical hermeneutics and its intersections to theology.

Prerequisites: BT 510 Special Notes: Crosslisted with PH 655.

BT 663 • The Jewish World of Jesus 1.5,3 Credits

This course is designed to introduce students to the history and literature of Second Temple Judaism from the conquests of Alexander the Great (ca. 332 B.C.) through the Bar Kokhba Revolt (A.D. 131). Particular attention will be given to the Roman rule from 63 B.C. to the fall of Jerusalem in A.D. 70. Students will read extensive portions of primary texts and be introduced to the geographical, archaeological, social and religious contexts in which Jesus lived and taught.

Prerequisites: BT 510.

BT 670 • Directed Study in Biblical Theology 1-9 Credits

Research and study by arrangement with the professor.

Prerequisites: BT 510. Special Notes: Permission is required.

BT 697 • Thesis Extension 0 Credit

Extension course for continued enrollment ; required when the thesis course is incomplete. The extension allows students continued access to university resources. Student must be registered in an extension course at the time the dissertation is granted final approval and receives a grade.

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BT 716 • Old Testament Theology 1.5,3 Credits

A discussion of various theological perspectives on such prominent themes in the Old Testament revelation as creation, anthropology, sin, covenant, sacrifice, and law.

Prerequisites: BT 510. Special Notes: Crosslisted with OT 716 and TS716.

BT 717 • New Testament Theology 1.5,3 Credits

A detailed study of some of the themes of the New Testament from the standpoint of biblical theology.

Prerequisites: BT 510.

Biblical Theology 2

BT 751 • Seminar in Biblical Theology 1.5,3 Credits

A Master of Divinity or Doctor of Ministry concentration course; an in-depth study of a particular biblical theology or Old and/or New Testaments theme.

Prerequisites: BT 510. *Special Notes:* This course fulfills Doctor of Ministry concentration requirements for the Biblical Theological Engagement concentration.

BT 795A • Thesis Proposal 1.5 Credits

Development of a thesis proposal and prospectus. Survey of existing research and delineation of tentative argument and preliminary bibliography. To be developed in consultation and under supervision of a faculty member as thesis advisor.

Special Notes: Approval of faculty member in relevant discipline is required.

BT 795B • Thesis Writing 3 Credits

Implementation of research plan, under the supervision of thesis advisor and with input from a second reader. To include survey of existing research and thesis that is well argued and supported by the literature.

Prerequisites: 795A.

BT 811 • BTE - Topics in Biblical Theology 3 Credits

Concentration content course to fulfill DMin requirement for Biblical Theological Engagement.

Special Notes: This course will fulfill concentration requirements for BTE concentration students or an elective requirement for other concentrations.

BT 811P • BTE Project in Biblical Theology 3 Credits

Concentration project course to fulfill DMin requirement for Biblical Theological Engagement.

Prerequisites: BT 811. *Special Notes:* This course will fulfill concentration requirements for BTE concentration students or an elective requirement for other concentrations.