

BS201 Greek I (3 units)

The basic elements of New Testament Greek vocabulary, morphology and grammar for theological students preparing to read and interpret the Greek New Testament.

BS202 Greek II (3 units)

The further study of basic elements of New Testament Greek including vocabulary, morphology and grammar for the theological reading and interpreting of the Greek New Testament.

BS203 Hebrew I (3 units)

A course designed to provide a basic understanding of the Hebrew language such as phonology, morphology and syntax for the reading of the original Hebrew Bible.

BS204 Hebrew II (3 units)

The further study of a basic understanding of the Hebrew language including phonology, morphology and syntax for the reading of the original Hebrew Bible.

BS205 Pentateuch (3 units)

The contents and theology of the first five books of the Old Testament. Primary attention will be given to the literary nature and structure of the theological message; theories of origin and genetic development will also be covered.

BS206 Four Gospels (3 units)

An introductory study of the message, ministry, and life of Jesus presented in the four Gospels.

BS207 Wisdom Literature (3 units)

Analysis of the chief techniques and important themes of biblical wisdom literature with some emphasis on apocryphal wisdom and the impact of wisdom literature on the New Testament.

BS208 Life & Teachings of Jesus Christ (3 units)

A study of the life, ministry and teachings of Jesus Christ; special attention will be given to the content of the synoptic gospel as well as the social, political, and religious conditions of the time.

BS209 Gospel of John (3 units)

A study of the Gospel of John, emphasizing its literary character, relationship to the synoptics, distinctive presentation of Christ, and historical setting.

BS210 Parables of Jesus (3 units)

A study of selected parables, focusing on their meaning within the context of Jesus' ministry. Special attention is given to the history of interpretation and appropriate methodology in interpreting and applying parables.

BS211 Jesus and the Kingdom (3 units)

A biblical-theological study of Jesus' ministry and its relationship to the Kingdom of God, with a special focus on the meaning of the Kingdom of God in Judaism and on Jesus' teaching about the kingdom as found in the gospel.

BS212 Romans and Galatians (3 units)

An introduction to the core of Pauline theology through the exegetical interpretation of selected texts in Romans and Galatians.

BS213 The Prison Epistles (3 units)

A study of the ministry and message of Paul during his imprisonment as reflected in his four prison epistles.

BS214 Hebrews (3 units)

Jesus and his messianic ministry in fulfillment of Old Testament Scripture as understood within the context of suffering in the early church.

BS215 Revelation of John (3 units)

The study of John's Revelation, his interpretation of history, the Old Testament, and the events surrounding the second coming of Jesus. Special emphasis on apocalyptic language and the use of symbols.

BS216 Pastoral Epistles (3 units)

The inductive study of 1 and 2 Timothy and Titus within the context of the early church with special emphasis on issues of leadership, pastoral ministry, and the training and appointing of church leaders.

BS217 Major Prophets (3 units)

A study of the time, character, and messages of Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel with special attention given to the nature and concerns of the prophetic movement in Israel.

BS218 Minor Prophets (3 units)

A study of personalities, times, and messages of the 12 minor prophets. Special emphasis will be given to social and individual morality as taught by these prophets.

BS219 Acts (3 units)

This course inductively interprets selected passages of Acts according to the intention of the author and in light of historical and cultural backgrounds.

BS220 Corinthians I & II (3 units)

This course covers Paul's pastoral response to the problems of this Gentile church. Includes historical background as well as Pauline theology and ethics.

BS221 Sermon on the Mountain (3 units)

An inductive study of Matthew 5-7 with the goal of grasping the ethical principles of Jesus in their historical context and Matthew's own context. This course includes relevant ethical applications for contemporary life.

BS222 Joshua, Judges, Samuel & Kings (3 units)

A survey of Israel's history from conquest to exile as portrayed in these books; special investigation into the relationship between Israel's historical traditions and its theological appropriation of those traditions around such themes as election, law, the land and leadership.

BS223 History of Israel

BS301 Exegetical Method and Practice (3 units)

Basic principles and practices of exegesis in the Greek New Testament, with emphasis on methodological and bibliographical resources.

BS302 Hermeneutics (3 units)

The study of biblical interpretation and application, particularly the process and

principles of moving from the horizon of the text to the horizon of the contemporary interpreter.

BS303 Greek Bible Reading

Selected readings in Biblical Greek designed for student competency in reading extended passages with facility.

BS304 Hebrew Bible Reading (3 units)

Selected readings in Biblical Hebrew designed for student competency in reading extended passages with facility.

BS305 Advanced Greek Bible Reading (3 units)

A different selection of reading in advanced biblical Greek designed to enable students to read extended passages with facility.

BS306 Advanced Hebrew Bible Reading (3 units)

Advanced reading from Old Testament texts allowing students to understand and read Hebrew with confidence.

BS 401 Research in Biblical Theology (3 units)

The techniques for gaining bibliographic control over the literature of theology.

BS402 Archaeology (3 units)

A study of modern archaeological discoveries in the Bible lands and the way they aid in understanding Biblical history, literature, and religion.

BS403 Studies in Biblical Background (3 units)

An introduction to studies on text, canon, language, geography, history, the literature, and an overview of the message of the Bible.

BS405 Method of Bible Study & Teaching (3 units)

A theological and psychological analysis and evaluation of educational methods most appropriate to teaching and to supervision of teaching in the church.

BS406 Theology of the Holy Spirit (3 units)

Exegesis of relevant biblical texts on spiritual gifts with attention to the history of their interpretation and application; pursuit of a constructive theology of spiritual gifts in view of the varied ecclesiastical traditions.

BS407 Spirituality in New Testament (3 units)

Investigation of the spirituality reflected in the New Testament, in the same way that New Testament theology, history and criticism explore the text according to their own purpose and discipline.