

BIBLICAL STUDIES (BST)

BST110 Intro to the Christian Bible (3 course hours)

This course provides a basic introduction to the Christian Bible, with discussion of key contents, contexts, and interpretative approaches.

Course offered: FASP

BST221 Interpreting the Bible (3 course hours)

Examines both practical and theoretical aspects of biblical interpretation. Course goals include developing an exegetical method for interpreting texts from various literary genres, understanding the broad history of biblical interpretation (with an emphasis on historical-critical methods) and gaining skills and experience using major biblical reference sources. Students will write an exegetical paper on a biblical passage. Does not meet general education requirements.

NOTE: This course Does NOT meet the general education Biblical and Theological Studies elective requirement.

Pre-requisites: BST101 BST102 OR THS110

Course offered: FAL

BST222 Pentateuch/Pre-Exilic Literature (3 course hours)

A study of the first books of the Old Testament (Genesis through 2Kings). An analysis of the content, themes and message of these important pre-exilic writings. Special attention will be given to issues in this literature, e.g. Creation, the Fall, Ancestral Narratives, the Exodus, the Sinai Covenant, Deuteronomic Theology, Israel's political institutions, and the Davidic covenant.

Fulfills: Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST101 OR THS110

Course offered: DEM

BST222H Pentateuch/Pre-Exilic Lit-Honors (3 course hours)

A study of the first books of the Old Testament (Genesis through 2Kings). An analysis of the content, themes and message of these important pre-exilic writings. Special attention will be given to issues in this literature, e.g. Creation, the Fall, Ancestral Narratives, the Exodus, the Sinai Covenant, Deuteronomic Theology, Israel's political institutions, and the Davidic covenant.

Fulfills: Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST101

Course offered: DEM

BST223 Life and Meaning of Jesus (3 course hours)

Attempts to answer the question 'Who is Jesus?' by studying the words and works of Jesus as presented in the Gospels.

Fulfills: Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST102 OR THS110

Course offered: DEM

BST224 Paul and His Epistles (3 course hours)

Examines the life, legacy, and theology of Paul, especially through discussion of the New Testament letters attributed to him and the presentation of the apostle in Acts.

Fulfills: Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST102 OR THS110

Course offered: DEM

BST228 Bible Book Study: Hebrews and Catholic Epistles (3 course hours)

The course focuses primarily on the Epistle to the Hebrews, as well as the Catholic Epistles James, 1-2 Peter, and Jude, with important engagement of intermediate secondary sources. Students will compare and contrast interpretative approaches to major issues in the biblical text and gain an overall understanding of the text, its formation, and its function in the Christian biblical canon.

Fulfills: Bible Book Study, Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST102 OR THS110

Course offered: DEM

BST249 Prophetic Literature (3 course hours)

A study of the content, themes, and message of the canonical prophets (Isaiah through Malachi). Special attention will be given to important issues in this literature, e.g., the nature of prophecy, the forms of prophetic literature, central aspects of the prophetic message (e.g., social justice, the significance of worship, the Exile and Return, the Day of the LORD, etc.), and the formation of prophetic books.

Fulfills: Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST101 OR THS110

Course offered: FOD

BST263 Bible Book Study: John and Johannine Epistles (3 course hours)

This course is chiefly designed for general education students and is also appropriate for majors in BST and related disciplines. The course focuses primarily on the stated biblical text with important engagement of intermediate secondary sources. Students will compare and contrast interpretative approaches to major issues in the biblical text and gain an overall understanding of the text.

Fulfills: Bible Book Study, Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST102 OR THS110

Course offered: DEM

BST266 Bible Book Study: 1 and 2 Corinthians (3 course hours)

This course is chiefly designed for general education students and is also appropriate for majors in BST and related disciplines. The course focuses primarily on the stated biblical text with important engagement of intermediate secondary sources. Students will compare and contrast interpretative approaches to major issues in the biblical text and gain an overall understanding of the text.

Fulfills: Bible Book Study, Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST102 OR THS110

Course offered: DEM

BST269 Bible Book Study: Galatians and Philippians (3 course hours)

This course is chiefly designed for general education students and is also appropriate for majors in BST and related disciplines. The course focuses primarily on the stated biblical text with important engagement of intermediate secondary sources. Students will compare and contrast interpretative approaches to major issues in the biblical text and gain an overall understanding of the text.

Fulfills: Bible Book Study, Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST102 OR THS110

Course offered: DEM

BST279 Bible Book Study: Revelation (3 course hours)

This course is chiefly designed for general education students and is also appropriate for majors in BST and related disciplines. The course focuses primarily on the stated biblical text with important engagement of intermediate secondary sources. Students will compare and contrast interpretative approaches to major issues in the biblical text and gain an overall understanding of the text.

Fulfills: Bible Book Study, Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST102 OR THS110

Course offered: DEM

BST301 BTS General Education Seminar (1 course hour)

Junior-level general education seminar for majors in Biblical and Theological Studies.

Fulfills: GEN301 Equivalent

Junior status.

Course offered: DEM

BST345 New Testament Greek I (3 course hours)

Using the inductive method of study, the student is introduced to the basics of Greek syntax and begins very early in the course to do translation work in a specific New Testament book. Does not meet general education requirement.

NOTE: This course Does NOT meet the general education Biblical and Theological Studies elective requirement.

Course offered: OFAL

BST346 New Testament Greek II (3 course hours)

Continues the process begun in New Testament Greek I with a focus on improving translation skills and developing vocabulary. Meets general education requirement, but requires BST345.

Fulfills: Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST345

Course offered: ESPR

BST348 Biblical Hebrew I (3 course hours)

An introduction to the grammar and vocabulary of the Hebrew Bible. The course will be continued in the second semester.

NOTE: This course Does NOT meet the general education Biblical and Theological Studies elective requirement.

Course offered: DEM

BST349 Biblical Hebrew II (3 course hours)

An introduction to the grammar and vocabulary of the Hebrew Bible. This course is a continuation of Biblical Hebrew I. Students will begin translating directly from the Hebrew Bible after the midpoint of the semester. Meets general education requirement, but requires BST348.

Fulfills: Gen Ed BST Elective

Faculty consent required.

Pre-requisites: BST348, Faculty consent required.

Faculty consent required.

Course offered: DEM

BST374 Bible Book Exegesis: Romans (3 course hours)

This course is chiefly designed for general education students and is also appropriate for majors in BST and related disciplines. The course focuses primarily on the stated biblical text with important engagement of intermediate secondary sources. Students will compare and contrast interpretative approaches to major issues in the biblical text and gain an overall understanding of the text.

Fulfills: Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST102 OR THS221

Course offered: DEM

BST376 Bible Book Exegesis: Hebrews (3 course hours)

This course is chiefly designed for general education students and is also appropriate for majors in BST and related disciplines. The course focuses primarily on the stated biblical text with important engagement of intermediate secondary sources. Students will compare and contrast interpretative approaches to major issues in the biblical text and gain an overall understanding of the text.

Fulfills: Gen Ed BST Elective

Pre-requisites: BST102 OR THS110

Course offered: DEM