

OLD TESTAMENT

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OTST500 (2-3)

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.

OTST515 (2-3)

An introduction to the languages and/or culture and history of the Middle East, this course is designed to provide a practical general background for students who plan to conduct work or research on or in selected Middle Eastern countries. Repeatable.

OTST570 (2-3)

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.

OTST607 (2-3)

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 (2-3)

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)

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 (3)

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.

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OTST520 (2-3)

Introduction of Old Testament theology. Distinctive theological concepts of selected books and major theological themes of the

Writings. Content announced in advance. Repeatable.

OTST845 (3)

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

OTST945 (3)

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.

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OTST510 (2-3)

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)

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)

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	(2–3)	OTST625	(3)
Individual research on specific problems for advanced students in Old Testament history. Prerequisite: OTST635 or OTST604 or equivalent. Repeatable.		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.	
OTST614	(2–3)	OTST654	(2–3)
An introduction to the principles, methods, and results of archaeological research in Palestine, especially in how they impact biblical studies.		Study of the essentials of grammar and syntax (with some reference to biblical Hebrew) coordinated with reading and analysis of a substantial part of the Aramaic portions of the Bible. Prerequisite: OTST552 or its equivalent.	
OTST615	(2–3)	OTST658	(2–3)
The archaeology and historical discoveries and problems related to the Old Testament. Repeatable. Prerequisite: OTST510 or 514 or equivalent and OTST614 or equivalent.		A study of Ancient Near Eastern languages and/or texts not offered in other courses. Prerequisite: OTST552 or its equivalent. Repeatable.	
OTST630	(1–8)	OTST660	(2–3)
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.		Reading of selected texts in the Septuagint and learning how to use the apparatus in the standard editions of the Septuagint. Prerequisite: NTST552 and OTST552 or their equivalent.	
OTST635	(2–3)	Heb e /A a a c E e	
An introduction to the history of Israel in the pre-monarchial, monarchial, and post-monarchial periods.		Language prerequisites for courses in this section should be noted carefully.	
OTST638	(2–3)	OTST545	(2–3)
An introduction to the use of archaeology in evangelistic settings. Field projects are observed and presented by students. Prerequisites: OTST510 or equivalent.		Exegetical study in selected portions of Daniel. Prerequisite: Must have met the intermediate Hebrew requirement.	
OTST810	(3)	OTST550	(3)
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.		Interpretation of the Nevi'im (Prophets, except Daniel) and Ketubim (Writings) and exegetical study in selected portions of their divisions/books. Prerequisite: Must have met the intermediate Hebrew requirement or be enrolled in OTST552. Repeatable.	
La a e a d L e a e		OTST565	(3)
OTST551	(3)	Interpretation of the Torah (Pentateuch) and exegetical study in selected portions of its books (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, or Deuteronomy). Prerequisite: Must have met the beginning Hebrew requirement or be enrolled in OTST551.	
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.		OTST626	(2–3)
OTST552	(2–3)	Readings in classical religious texts of Judaism. Sources include liturgical, Hellenistic, Rabbinic, and Medieval texts. Required languages vary according to the subject matter. Repeatable. Identical to NTST626.	
Development of reading ability in narrative portions of the Hebrew Bible for the student who has OTST551 or its equivalent.		OTST628	(2–3)
OTST612	(2–3)	Introduction to the Masoretic text (Masora, accents, apparatus) and to the various methods and tools of exegesis; provides basic training in applying the exegetical work to selected passages of the Hebrew Bible. Must have met the intermediate Hebrew requirement.	
Basic elements of grammar and syntax, with a practical vocabulary, for one of the following languages: Sumerian, Akkadian, Egyptian, Ugaritic, Hittite, Syriac, and Coptic. Language announced in advance. Prerequisite: OTST552 or its equivalent. Repeatable.			

OTST639**(2-3)**

Exegetical studies in selected sections or themes of the Old Testament. Prerequisite: Must have met the intermediate Hebrew requirement. Repeatable.

OTST680**(2-3)**

Exegesis of selected passages in the Old Testament. Content announced in advance. Repeatable. Exegesis