

ADVANCE Ministry Preparation

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The Chinese Baptist School of Church Leadership

華人浸信會教會領袖學院

CLS 2100 Old Testament Exegesis

CLS 2100 舊約詮釋

Cantonese/Mandarin

粵語/華語

3 Credit Hours

3 學分

12-week online course

12周在線課程

About 4 hours of recorded video lectures and online interaction each week

每周約4小時的講座視頻和在線互動

Choice of Cantonese or Mandarin Video Lectures

自選粵語或華語視頻講座

Assignments may be submitted in Chinese or English

作業可以中文或英文提交

COURSE DESCRIPTION

課程簡介

An intensive study to further the student's competency in exegesis and understanding the content, background, and message of the Old Testament. This will be done through the select examination of one representative book from each of the three divisions of the Hebrew canon of the Old Testament: Torah, Prophets, and Writings.

一個提高詮釋舊約內容、背景及訊息力的密集課程。本課程將從舊約聖經的律法書、先知書和智慧書中，各挑選一本有代表性的書籍進行研讀。

COURSE OBJECTIVES

課程目的

This course is designed to provide you with a more advanced foundation upon which to build fruitful exegetical, theological, and ministerial practice.

Upon successful completion of this course, students should have an:

1. Intimate knowledge of three representative Old Testament books, including their historical and literary contexts, detailed outlines, and individual messages,
2. Understanding of the place and function in the overall canon of the Old Testament for each of these books and the passages within each book, including inter-textual connections and canonical considerations,
3. In-depth understanding of the interpretation(s), significance, and message, of each of these books,
4. Ability to understand and utilize proper exegetical methodologies (hermeneutics), and
5. Ability to apply the Old Testament to personal Christian growth as well as the individual's mission and ministry.

本課程旨在提供進階的基礎，在詮釋、神學及傳道實務上建立果效。

成功完成本課程後，學員應具備以下能力：

1. 深入認識三本具代表性的舊約聖經，包括它們的歷史與文學背景、詳細的大綱，以及個別的訊息、
2. 了解每卷書在舊約整體正典中的地位和功能，以及每卷書中的經文，包括文本間的連結和正典的考量、
3. 深入了解每卷書的詮釋、意義和訊息、
4. 了解並運用適當詮釋方法（詮釋學）的能力，以及
5. 將舊約應用於基督徒個人成長以及個人使命與事奉的能力。

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK

必備課本

A subscription to the online library service Perlego is recommended. The following textbooks can be found inside Perlego.

建議訂閱線上圖書館服務 Perlego。下列教科書可在 Perlego 內找到。

Fretheim, Terrence. *Exodus*. Interpretation Bible Commentary. Louisville: WJK, 2010.

Longman III, Tremper. *Job*. Baker Commentary on the Old Testament Wisdom and Psalms. Baker, 2012.

Oswalt, John. N. *The Book of Isaiah: Chapters 1-39, 40-66*. 2 vol. New International Commentary on the Old Testament. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1986.

GRADING

評分

Online Participation: 20%

Set aside about three hours each week to watch video lectures and participate in online interaction.

Weekly Quizzes: 30%

These quizzes will cover the weekly lecture material and the assigned reading as determined by the instructor.

Mid-term and Final Examinations: 20%

The mid-term and final examinations will cover the lecture material and the assigned reading as determined by the instructor.

Term Paper and Video Report: 30%

Write a research paper according to the requirements as determined by the instructor and present a video report.

在線參與:20%

自選時間，觀看預先錄影的講座視頻和參與在線互動，每週約需要3小時。

每週小測驗:30%

這些小測驗將涵蓋講義材料和指導老師確定的指定閱讀材料。

期中及期末考試:20%

該測試將涵蓋講義材料和指導老師確定的指定閱讀材料。

論文及報告:30%

按照導師確定的要求撰寫研究論文，並提交視訊報告。

GRADING SCALE

評分等級

	A	A-
	94-100	90-93
B+	B	B-
87-89	84-86	80-83
C+	C	C-
77-79	74-76	70-73
D+	D	D-
67-69	64-66	60-63
	F	
	0-59	

LECTURES AND ASSIGNMENTS

講座與作業

This course will span 12 weeks. Students set aside four hours for themselves each week to watch recorded lectures and participate in online exercises. There will be weekly open-book quizzes as well as open-book midterm and final examinations.

本課程為期12星期，學員需要每週自選方便的最多4小時觀看預先錄影的講座視頻和參與在線互動、參與開卷的在線測驗、期中考試及期末考試。

Week 周	Lecture 講座	Reading 閱讀	Assignment 作業
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to course • Introduction to Canon, Transmission, and Translation • Exegetical Methods (Text, History, Theology) • Introduction to Torah • Overview of Hebrew Narrative and Historiography • Introduction and Overview of Exodus 	Arnold/Byer: read ANE Treaty/Covenants	Quiz
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exodus 1-6: Bondage and Pharaoh • In-class Exegesis ch. 4 • Exodus 7-18: deliverance and Grumbling • In-class Exegesis ch. 17 	Exodus 1-6 & Fretheim Exodus 7-18 & Fretheim	Quiz
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exodus 19-40: Community and Covenant • In-class Exegesis ch. 34 	Exodus 19-40 & Fretheim	Quiz
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exodus in the Canon: Torah, Old Testament, New Testament • Exodus and Theology: Covenant, God's name, Exodus and the wilderness 	Deuteronomy 1-11 Joshua 1-5 Isaiah 43 Matt 1-4 And selections from Psalms, and Prophets	Quiz
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the Prophets • Fundamentals of Hebrew Poetry • Introduction and Overview of Isaiah • Relation to ANE parallels • Isaiah 1-12: The Prophet & the People • In-class Exegesis ch. 11 	Arnold/Byer: read ANE Prophecies Isaiah 1-12 & Oswalt	Quiz

6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isaiah 13-39: A Nation in Turmoil • In-class Exegesis chs. 24-25 	Isaiah 13-39 & Oswalt	Mid-term Exam
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isaiah 40-66: God's Unfolding Plan • In-class Exegesis chs. 65-66 	Isaiah 40-66 & Oswalt	Quiz
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isaiah in the Canon: Prophets, Old Testament, New Testament • Isaiah and Theology: Monotheism, Redemption, Creation, Salvation • Isaiah and Messianism: OT, 2nd Temple Period, NT, Early Church 	2 Kings 15-17 Micah Zechariah 3, 6 Various NT passages quoting Isaiah	Quiz
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Wisdom Literature • Introduction and Overview of Job • Relation to ANE parallels 	Arnold/Byer: ANE Wisdom	Quiz
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Job 1-27: The Nature of Human Existence • In-class Exegesis ch. 2 	Job 1-27 & Longman	Quiz
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Job 28-42: God's View & the Source of Wisdom • In-class Exegesis chs. 28, 40 	Job 28-42 & Longman	Quiz
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Job in the Canon: Ketuvim, Old Testament, New Testament • Job and Theology: Wisdom Correction, Chaos vs. Order, Retributive Theology, Theodicy, Experiential Faith, "Satan" in the Old Testament, Suffering 	Proverbs Ecclesiastes Deut 1-4, 27-28 Joshua 1-2 2 Kings 17 Habakkuk Various Psalms quoted in NT	Final Exam Research Paper

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- LOGOS Bible Software. (This software is a helpful research tool for biblical languages and exegesis. Ensure Hebrew text is included. Students are eligible for a discount upon request – advance@gs.edu)
- Gateway Library Online: library.gs.edu has a number of online lexicons, commentaries, and resources (use eBooks tab and Research Guides link – for help, contact circulation@gs.edu)
- Other Online Biblical Study Resources:
- <https://biblehub.com/> (lexicon, interlinear, concordance, commentaries)
 - <https://www.blueletterbible.org/> (lexicon, interlinear, commentary)
 - <https://www.biblegateway.com/> (dictionaries, commentaries)
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