



AMBROSE
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

FACULTY OF
ARTS & SCIENCE

HEB 100-1
Biblical Hebrew I
Fall 2007

Class Schedule:

Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 2:30-3:45pm

Room: 517

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Course Description:

This course is an introduction to the basic principles of biblical Hebrew with emphasis on morphology (words and their forms) and syntax (how words fit together to make coherent sentences). There will also be a strong emphasis on acquiring a broad vocabulary for reading the Old Testament in Hebrew. The study of Hebrew is very challenging for most students but is very rewarding for students who persevere. You should plan on spending 1-3 hours *every day* preparing for and reviewing material covered in class.

Course Objectives:

In successfully completing this course, a student should:

- know the basic forms of Hebrew words
- have memorized a solid vocabulary
- have begun to translate texts directly from the Hebrew Bible.
- know the value of knowing the original language of the Old Testament for research and exegesis and translation comparison
- have built a foundation for a lifetime of fruitful engagement with the Hebrew Scriptures

Required Textbooks

Pratico, Gary Davis, and Miles V. Van Pelt. *Basics of Biblical Hebrew Grammar*. Grand Rapids, Mich: Zondervan, 2001.

Pratico, Gary Davis, and Miles V. Van Pelt. *Basics of Biblical Hebrew Workbook*. Grand Rapids, Mich: Zondervan, 2001.

Course Requirements:

16.5 % - Vocab tests (1.5% per test)

Top 11 of 12 tests count toward final grade

33% - Vocab & Grammar tests (3% per test)

Top 11 of 12 tests count toward final grade

20.5 % - Midterm Examination

30 % - Final Examination

COURSE OUTLINE:

<u>WEEK</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TEXTBOOK</u>	<u>TEST</u>
Week 1	Sept. 6 th	Chapter 1	-----
Week 2	Sept 11 th	Chapter 2	Alphabet (1.5 %)
	Sept. 13 th	Chapter 3	Vowels etc. (3 %)
Week 3	Sept. 18 th	Chapter 4	Vocab
	Sept 20 th	Chapter 5	Vocab & Grammar
Week 4	Sept 25 th	Chapter 6	Vocab
	Sept 27 th	Chapter 7	Vocab & Grammar
Week 5	Oct 2 nd	Chapter 8	Vocab
	Oct 4 th	Chapter 9	Vocab & Grammar
Week 6	Oct 9 th	Chapter 9	Vocab
	Oct 11 th	Chapter 10	Vocab & Grammar
Week 7	Oct 16 th	Chapter 11	Vocab
	Oct 18 th	Chapter 12	Vocab & Grammar
Week 8	Oct 23 rd	CLASS CANCELLED FOR COMMUNITY DAY ☹	
	Oct 25 th	Chapter 12	Vocab & Grammar
Week 9	Oct 30 th	Chapter 13	Vocab
	Nov 1 st	Chapter 13	MIDTERM
Week 10	Nov 6 th	Chapter 14	Vocab
	Nov 8 th	Chapter 14	Vocab & Grammar
Week 11	Nov 13 th	Chapter 15	Vocab
	Nov 15 th	Chapter 15	Vocab & Grammar
Week 12	Nov 20 th	CLASS CANCELLED FOR SBL CONFERENCE ☹	
	Nov 22 nd	Chapter 16	Vocab & Grammar
Week 13	Nov 27 th	Chapter 16	Vocab
	Nov 29 th	Chapter 17	Vocab & Grammar
Week 14	Dec 4 th	Chapter 17	Vocab
	Dec 6 th	Chapter 18	Vocab & Grammar
Week 15	Dec 11 th	Chapter 18	Vocab & Grammar
Final Exam	DURING FINAL EXAM WEEK		FINAL EXAM

Grading: The course grades are as follows:

<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Numerical Value</u>	<u>Description</u>
A+	95-100	Excellent
A	86-94	
A-	80-85	
B+	77-79	Good
B	73-76	
B-	70-72	
C+	67-69	Satisfactory
C	63-66	
C-	60-62	
D+	57-59	Poor
D	53-56	Minimal Pass
F	0-52	Failure

Important Notes:

It is the responsibility of all students to become familiar with and adhere to academic policies of as are stated in the Student Handbook and Academic Calendar.

Personal information, that is information about an individual that may be used to identify that individual, may be collected as a requirement as part of taking this class. Any information collected will only be used and disclosed for the purpose for which the collection was intended. For further information contact the Privacy Compliance Officer at privacy@auc-nuc.ca.

Although extensions to coursework in the semester are at the discretion of the instructor, students may not turn in coursework for evaluation after the last day of the scheduled final examination period unless they have received permission for a "Course Extension." Alternative times for final examinations cannot be scheduled without prior approval. Requests for course extensions or alternative examination time must be submitted to the Registrar's Office by the appropriate deadline. Course extensions are only granted for serious issues that arise "due to circumstances beyond the student's control."

Ambrose is committed to fostering personal integrity and will not overlook breaches of integrity such as cheating which will result in either a failing grade for the assignment or course, or immediate dismissal from the university college. Students are expected to be familiar with the policies in the current Academic Calendar and the Student Handbook that deal with plagiarism, cheating, and the penalties and procedures for dealing with these matters. All cases of academic dishonesty are reported to the Academic Dean.

Dates to Remember!

- Registration Revision Period Sept. 6-14
- Last day to enter courses without permission, and to withdraw from courses and receive tuition refund Sept. 15
- Community Day (**No Class**) Oct. 23
- The last day to voluntarily withdraw from a course or change to audit without academic penalty Nov. 16
- Society of Biblical Literature Conference (**No Class**) Nov. 20
- Last day of class Dec. 11
- Final Exam –TBA Between Dec. 13-19

Students are advised to retain this syllabus for their records.

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