



BL 750 Biblical Language Independent Study (3) (Fall 2011)

Course Description:

For the advanced student (at least one-half through their program), an opportunity to research, organize and write on a subject of special interest in Old Testament. Intended primarily for those students with highly individualized needs, the study emphasizes self-direction and initiative from the student.

Class Schedule: (Independent Study)

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Expected Learning Outcomes:

As this independent study course will focus on advanced Hebrew exegesis, the student will:

- A. Build upon previously learned exegetical skills for the study of the Hebrew Bible.
- B. Build upon previously learned skills in the use of Old Testament textual criticism.
- C. Interpret the meaning of the Hebrew text of the Old Testament at its time of writing and to apply the text to our contemporary situation.
- D. Demonstrate passion, zeal, and love for God, His Word, His Church, and the world.

Course Requirements / Learning Activities & Course Grade:

Paper (100%): Due December 12

In consultation with the professor, each student will write a 35-50 page exegesis paper based on a text from the Hebrew Old Testament. The student will consult with the

instructor for approval of a focus for the paper and for guidance as the paper progresses.

Grading:

Paper: 100%

<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Description</u>
A+	
A	Excellent
A-	
B+	
B	Good
B-	
C+	
C	Satisfactory
C-	
D+	
D	Minimal Pass
F	Failure

Important Notes/Dates:

The last day to enter the course without permission and /or voluntary withdrawal from a course without financial penalty is Friday, September 16, 2011.

The last day to voluntarily withdraw from the course or change to audit without academic penalty is Sunday, November 6, 2011.

Other:

It is the responsibility of all students to become familiar with and adhere to academic policies as 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@ambrose.edu.

Paper Format: It is preferred that papers for this course follow the guidelines of A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses and Dissertations by Kate L. Turabian. Papers should be double-spaced with regular spacing between paragraphs. Papers must be paginated.

Papers that are unclaimed and/or undeliverable will be held for six months from the due date, then destroyed.

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" from the Registrar's Office. Requests for course extensions or alternative examination time must be submitted to the Registrar's Office by the appropriate deadline (as listed in the Academic Calendar <http://www.ambrose.edu/publications/academiccalendar>). Course extensions are only granted for serious issues that arise "due to circumstances beyond the student's control."

We are committed to fostering personal integrity and will not overlook breaches of integrity such as plagiarism and cheating. Plagiarism and cheating can result in a failing grade for an assignment, for the 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.

Students are advised to retain this syllabus for their records.

Course changes, including adding or dropping a course, may be made during the Registration Revision period, as outlined in the Calendar of Events. All course changes must be recorded on a Registration form, available from the Office of the Registrar. Due to circumstances such as class size, prerequisites or academic policy, the submission of a Registration form does not guarantee that a course will be added or removed from a student's registration. Students may change the designation of any class from credit to audit up to the date specified in the Calendar of Events, although students are not entitled to a tuition adjustment or refund after the Registration Revision period.

Withdrawal from courses after the Registration Revision period will not be eligible for tuition refund. Students intending to withdraw from some or all of their courses must submit a completed Registration form to the Registrar's office. The dates by which students may voluntarily withdraw from a course without penalty are listed in the Calendar of Events. A grade of 'W' will be recorded on the student's transcript for any withdrawals from courses made after the end of the Registration Revision period and before the Withdrawal Deadline (also listed in the Calendar of Events). 'W' grades are not included in grade point average calculations. A limit on the number of courses from which Academic a student is permitted to withdraw may be imposed. Students wishing to withdraw from a course, but who fail to do so by the applicable date, will receive the grade earned in accordance with the course syllabus. A student obliged to withdraw from a course after the Withdrawal Deadline because of health or other reasons may apply to the Registrar for special consideration.

An appeal for change of grade on any course work must be made to the course instructor within one week of receiving notification of the grade. An appeal for change of final grade must be submitted to the Office of the Registrar in writing within 30 days of receiving notification of the final grade, providing the basis for appeal. A review fee of \$50.00 must accompany the appeal to review final grades. If the appeal is sustained, the fee will be refunded.

Academic dishonesty is taken seriously at Ambrose University College as it undermines our academic standards and affects the integrity of each member of our learning community. Any attempt to obtain credit for academic work through fraudulent, deceptive, or dishonest means is academic dishonesty. Plagiarism involves presenting someone else's ideas, words, or work as one's own. Plagiarism is fraud and theft, but plagiarism can also occur by accident when a student fails or forgets to give credit to another person's ideas or words. Plagiarism and cheating can result in a failing grade for an assignment, for the course, or immediate dismissal from Ambrose. Students are expected to be familiar with the policy statements in the current academic calendar and the student handbook that deal with plagiarism,

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Please note that final grades will be available on your student portal.