

NEW TESTAMENT BIBLE STUDIES (NBST)

NBST 800 New Testament Backgrounds 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: BIBL 700 and BIBL 715 and (NGRK 505 and NGRK 511 or NGRK 620 and NGRK 643 or NGRK 644 or NGRK 645 or NGRK 646) and (OTCL 505 and OTCL 511 or OTCL 640 and OTCL 643)

A study of the peoples, movements, and cultures surrounding the world of the New Testament. Special emphasis is placed on the impact of background material on the exposition of key segments of the New Testament. Resources from Greco-Roman and Second Temple Jewish archaeological and literary discoveries are examined with attention given to their influence on informing the interpretation of the New Testament. Historiography within the first century world is explored with an emphasis on its impact upon the Gospels and Acts.

Offered: Online

NBST 815 Gospels 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: NBST 800

A study of select portions of the Gospels, including a treatment of introductory issues, aspects of historiography in the first century, hermeneutical principles regarding narrative literature and the diverse literary features within the Gospels, and a functional analysis of key interpretive issues in the study of the Gospels. The course engages with current evangelical scholarship on critical issues that relate to the study of the four gospels. Special emphasis is placed on biblical theological motifs within the Gospels, and expository strategies to integrate standard exegesis with biblical theological awareness.

Offered: Online

NBST 830 Acts/Pauline Epistles 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: NBST 800

A study of select portions of the Acts and the Pauline Epistles. The course provides a treatment of introductory issues, aspects of background that connect the narrative of Acts to the Pauline Epistles, hermeneutical principles regarding narrative literature and epistolary literature, and a functional analysis of key interpretive issues in the study of Acts and the Pauline Epistles. The course engages with current evangelical scholarship on critical issues that relate to the study of Acts and the Pauline Epistles. Special emphasis is placed on biblical theological motifs within these books, and expository strategies to integrate standard exegesis with biblical theological awareness.

Offered: Online

NBST 845 General Epistles/Revelation 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: NBST 800

A study of select portions of the General Epistles and the book of Revelation. The course provides a treatment of introductory issues, hermeneutical principles regarding epistolary and apocalyptic literature, and a functional analysis of key interpretive issues in the study of the General Epistles and Revelation. The course engages with current evangelical scholarship on critical issues that relate to the study of the General Epistles and Revelation, with attention given to the impact of theological systems on the interpretation of Revelation. Special emphasis is placed on biblical theological motifs within these books, and expository strategies to integrate standard exegesis with biblical theological awareness.

Offered: Online

NBST 900 Reading Seminar in Early Judaism and the Greco-Roman World 3 Credit Hour(s)

A seminar on Second Temple Judaism and the Greco-Roman world. The seminar explores significant religious, philosophical, historical, and political developments related to the Second Temple period. Areas of investigation may include the Dead Sea Scrolls, the Old Testament Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha, the writings of Josephus, and other Jewish and Greco-Roman literature.

Offered: Resident

NBST 910 Uses of the Old Testament in the New Testament 3 Credit Hour(s)

An intensive study of the historical, exegetical, and theological issues related to the use of the Old Testament in the New Testament, with special attention to the question of how the hermeneutics of the New Testament writers should impact Christian interpretation of Scripture.

Offered: Resident

NBST 950 Special Topics in the New Testament 3 Credit Hour(s)

An intensive study in a specific topic related to the New Testament. The emphasis in this study will be on directed reading and research in an area determined by the supervising instructor. This course allows a variation in approach and content and may be used to supplement areas already covered.

Offered: Resident

NBST 968 Current Biblical and Theological Issues 3 Credit Hour(s)

A study of biblical and theological issues of contemporary significance. Attention will be given to the present-day representatives along with their literature and influence upon current Christianity.

Offered: Resident

NBST 993 Readings in New Testament and Comprehensive Examination 3 Credit Hour(s)

Analysis of the major primary sources and scholarly research on the New Testament leading toward a comprehensive examination.

Registration Restrictions: Once the student completes 15 hours of the Major Area of Focus, the student can be registered for the Major Area of Focus Directed Research and Comprehensive Examination course. Once the student completes 9 hours of the Major Area of Focus, the student can be registered for the Minor Area of Focus Directed Research and Comprehensive Examination course. Must be approved by the Director of the PhD in Biblical Studies.

Offered: Resident

NBST 995 Directed Research in New Testament Biblical Studies 3 Credit Hour(s)

Designed for the advanced student in good standing who has demonstrated an ability to work independently. The student will work with the instructor in developing a proposal for guided research in a specified area of the New Testament.

Offered: Resident

NBST 997 Seminar in New Testament 3 Credit Hour(s)

An intensive study in a specific subject of the New Testament. This course allows variation in the approach and content of the regular curriculum and often will be used by visiting professors.

Offered: Resident