Location: GCTS, Boston 90 Warren St.

Weekend Course Dates and Times
September 14, Friday 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
September 15, Saturday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
October 12, 2012 Friday 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
October 13, 2012 Saturday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
November 30, 2012 Friday 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
December 1, 2012 Saturday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
December 7, 2012 Friday 6:30-9:30 p.m. Final Exam

Final Exam will be offered at two locations on December 7, 2012
6:30-9:30 at Boston Room 213 and 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. at South Hamilton Library

In order to fulfill the 37.5 hours course requirement students will complete a course project in addition to their OT course work.

Course Objective
This course concentrates on the overall content of the entire Old Testament with its historical, geographical, and cultural backgrounds. Only the English version of the Bible will be used. While the basic content of each individual book will be given, emphasis will be placed on how each book fits into the overall story of the Old Testament. This course objective is consistent with Article #1 of the Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary Mission Statement, which is “To encourage students to become knowledgeable of God’s inerrant Word, competent in its interpretation, proclamation and application in the contemporary world.”

Course Requirements
Students will be expected to complete all assigned readings and participate in class discussions. The final course grade will be determined on the basis of a two course quizzes 40%, a course project 10%, and a Final Exam 50%. Grading scale is on a 100% scale (90=A-; 92.5=A; 97.5=A+).
You cannot take this course for credit if you miss one weekend, 10 hours, of course instruction.

Please read “Plagarism” article on CAMS before the second class session on Sept. 15.

Required Texts can be purchased at Boston or South Hamilton library
   1) Kaminski, C., CASKET Empty Study Guide, 2012 cost under $35.00
   2) Kaminski, C. CASKET Empty Timeline cost under $20.00

September 14-15 Friday-Saturday
- Intro. to Course, Overview of Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Joshua
- Homework due Oct 12
   - Read Genesis-I Kings and additional class handouts.
   - Read CASKET Empty Study Guide Genesis-Northern Prophets
   - Study for course quiz on Oct. 12

October 12-13 Friday-Saturday
- Course Quiz
- Intro. to Judges, I-II Samuel, Northern Kingdom and Northern Prophets
- Southern Kingdom and Southern Prophets lecture pt. 1
- Homework
   - Read II Kings-Malachi in Bible
   - Finish CASKET Empty Study Guide
   - Study for course quiz on Nov. 30

November 30-December 1 Friday-Saturday
- Course Quiz
- Course Project Due
- Southern Kingdom and Southern Prophets lecture pt. 2
- Wisdom Literature, Exile and Temple lecture
- Homework
   - Study for Final Exam

Course Project Options

1) Read a liberal, non-traditional, non-Evangelical book on a particular Old Testament book, theme, individual or people and compare and contrast 3-4 themes with a book you have read from a traditional, Evangelical, conservative perspective. Paper should also
clearly state how you believe the Bible addresses those 3-4 key themes. The paper must be 3-5 pages, typed and double-spaced.

2) Development of a Bible Study Lesson Plan based on lectures, readings, and additional research focusing on the theme of “God’s grace in the Old Testament” Lessons should have a clear target audience, ie. youth, young adults, single women, men, families, key goals, a set time period, i.e. one sixty minute session, two ninety minute sessions, etc. The paper must be 3-5 pages, typed and double-spaced.

Additional Recommended but not Required Books and Articles


Ailing, Charles F. “The Sphinx Stele of Thutmose IV and the Date of the Exodus.” Journal of


Laney, Carl J. “God’s Self-Revelation in Exodus 34:6-8,” Bibliotheca Sacra 158.


