



On-Campus Course Syllabus

HEB 502 L1

Hebrew 2

Spring 2023

Class Information

Day and Time: M W 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.

Room Number: E209

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Course Description and Prerequisites

Continuation of the fundamentals of Biblical Hebrew, with an emphasis on grammar and syntax, and with selected readings from the Hebrew Bible. (Prerequisite HEB 301)

Course Objectives

Upon completion of the course the student should be able to:

- A. Identify the roots of most nouns, adjectives, and verbs;
- B. Translate a vocabulary of about 600 words;
- C. Parse verbs in the seven basic stems;
- D. Locate words, nuances of words, and Scripture references in a lexicon;
- E. Become familiar with Hebrew word study books;
- F. Read and translate from the Hebrew Bible with the aid of a lexicon.

Required Textbooks

- A. Holladay, William L. *A Concise Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament: Based upon the Lexical Work of Ludwig Koehler and Walter Baumgartner*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 1972. (978-0-802-83413-3)
- B. Pratico, Gary D., and Miles V. Van Pelt. *Basics of Biblical Hebrew Grammar*, 3d ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2019. (ISBN: 9780310533498)
- C. Pratico, Gary D., and Miles V. Van Pelt. *Basics of Biblical Hebrew Workbook*, 3d ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2019. (ISBN: 978-0310533559)

Note: You must read the chapter from the textbook on the subject of the day before you come to class. Check the section "Course Outline/Calendar" below for the schedule of subjects.

Recommended Reading

Brown, A. Philip, II, and Bryan W. Smith, eds. *A Reader's Hebrew Bible*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2008. (978-0-310-26974-8)

Course Requirements and Assignments

A. Tests

The dates for the three exams are in the schedule below.

1. BBH chapters 17–25
2. BBH through chapter 35
3. Final exam: primarily Jonah

B. Quizzes. See the Course Outline below for dates of the quizzes.

1. Vocabulary and grammar quizzes. Vocabulary quizzes are comprehensive, including words from more than one chapter. See the schedule below for which chapters of vocabulary are included in each quiz. Grammar quizzes are on verb stems and pronoun suffixes.
2. One (1) quiz score may be missed/dropped without penalty. That is, your lowest quiz score will not be used to calculate your final grade.
3. A quiz that is not taken receives a grade of zero.
4. The grade for a late quiz loses 5 points per calendar day for 7 days (this means on weekends as well as weekdays, since the quizzes are available 24/7 online for you to take). After one week, the grade of zero (0) will be assigned.
5. See the Course Outline below for the dates of the quizzes.

C. Regular **homework** from the *Basics of Biblical Hebrew Workbook*, Jonah, and one related to the lexicon.

1. Homework assignments are due at the beginning of class.
2. Your work will be evaluated on the basis of how much of each assignment you have completed and turned in on time.
3. You may do extra work on an assignment for up to 10% extra credit on the homework grade. Massive amounts of extra work will still only receive up to 10% extra credit.
4. The grade for a late homework assignment loses 5 points per calendar day for 7 days (this means on weekends as well as weekdays, since you may scan and submit your work online to Canvas 24/7). After one week, the grade of zero (0) will be assigned.
5. Your two (2) lowest homework scores may be missed/dropped without penalty. However, no assignments from Jonah may be dropped.
6. See the Course Outline below for the due dates of the homework assignments.

D. **Word Study Research:** Review of current important scholarly Hebrew word-study books. Details will be handed out in class and available on Canvas. Check the Schedule of Activities below for the due date.

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Class Attendance

Students are responsible for enrolling in courses for which they anticipate being able to attend every class session on the day and time appearing on course schedules, and then making every effort to do so. When

unavoidable situations result in absence or tardiness, students are responsible for acquiring any information missed. Instructors are not obliged to allow students to make up missed work. Per their independent discretion, individual instructors may determine how attendance affects students' ability to meet course learning objectives and whether attendance affects course grades.

Campus Closure

To ensure the health and safety of students and employees, college administrators may decide it is necessary on rare occasions to close the campus. Once this decision is announced, instructors will contact students to provide further details regarding the campus closure's impact on those courses. Students are responsible to watch for communication from their instructors and respond appropriately. (Unless otherwise specified by the instructor in this syllabus, this communication will be sent to the student's Criswell College e-mail account.)

In order to make progress toward the courses' objectives, instructors have the freedom during most campus closures to require students to participate in activities as alternatives to meeting on campus. An instructor may, for example, hold class remotely (through Zoom) at the scheduled time, provide a recording of a class or presentation for students to watch independently, or assign other activities that students are to accomplish before returning to campus. Students are responsible for accomplishing these alternative activities as well as any course requirements listed in this syllabus during the period of the campus closure. If, during the period of the campus closure, personal circumstances prohibit a student from accomplishing these alternative activities or course requirements and assignment listed in the syllabus during the campus closure, the student is responsible for communicating with the instructor as soon as possible. Instructors will not penalize students who do not have the means to accomplish the alternative activities during the period of the campus's closure and will work with students whose circumstances during the campus closure prohibited their timely completion of course requirements and assignments in the syllabus.

Grading Scale

A	93-100	4.0 grade points per semester hour
A-	90-92	3.7 grade points per semester hour
B+	87-89	3.3 grade points per semester hour
B	83-86	3.0 grade points per semester hour
B-	80-82	2.7 grade points per semester hour
C+	77-79	2.3 grade points per semester hour
C	73-76	2.0 grade points per semester hour
C-	70-72	1.7 grade points per semester hour
D+	67-69	1.3 grade points per semester hour
D	63-66	1.0 grade point per semester hour
D-	60-62	0.7 grade points per semester hour
F	0-59	0.0 grade points per semester hour

Weighted Grading: *The following are the proportions of your grade for each type of assignment*

- Tests 60%
- Quizzes 20%
- Homework 20% Graded by the percentage completed and on time

Incomplete Grades

Students requesting a grade of Incomplete (I) must understand that incomplete grades may be given only upon approval of the faculty member involved. An “I” may be assigned only when a student is currently passing a course and in situations involving extended illness, serious injury, death in the family, or employment or government reassignment, not student neglect.

Students are responsible for contacting their instructors prior to the end of the semester, plus filing the appropriate completed and approved academic request form with the Registrar’s Office. The “I” must be removed (by completing the remaining course requirements) no later than 60 calendar days after the close of the term or semester in which the grade was awarded, or the “I” will become an “F.”

Academic Honesty

Absolute truth is an essential belief and basis of behavior for those who believe in a God who cannot lie and forbids falsehood. Academic honesty is the application of the principle of truth in the classroom setting. Academic honesty includes the basic premise that all work submitted by students must be their own and any ideas derived or copied from elsewhere must be carefully documented.

Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to:

- cheating of any kind,
- submitting, without proper approval, work originally prepared by the student for another course,
- plagiarism, which is the submitting of work prepared by someone else as if it were his own, and
- failing to credit sources properly in written work.

Institutional Assessment

Material submitted by students in this course may be used for assessment of the college’s academic programs. Since programmatic and institutional assessment is done without reference to specific students, the results of these assessments have no effect on a student’s course grade or academic standing at the college. Before submitting a student’s work for this type of assessment, the course instructor redacts the work to remove anything that identifies the student.

Institutional Email Policy

All official college email communications to students enrolled in this course will be sent exclusively to students’ institutional email accounts. Students are expected to check their student email accounts regularly and to respond in an appropriate and timely manner to all communications from faculty and administrative departments.

Students are permitted to setup automatic forwarding of emails from their student email accounts to one or more personal email accounts. The student is responsible to setup and maintain email forwarding without assistance from college staff. If a student chooses to use this forwarding option, he/she will continue to be

responsible for responding appropriately to all communications from faculty and administrative departments of the college. Criswell College bears no responsibility for the use of emails that have been forwarded from student email accounts to other email accounts.

Disabilities

Criswell College recognizes and supports the standards set forth in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and similar state laws, which are designed to eliminate discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities. Criswell College is committed to making reasonable accommodations for qualifying students, faculty, and employees with disabilities as required by applicable laws. For more information, please contact the Student Services Office.

Intellectual Property Rights

Unless otherwise specifically instructed in writing by the instructor, students must neither materially nor digitally reproduce materials from any course offered by Criswell College for or with the significant possibility of distribution.

Resources and Supports

Canvas and SONIS: Criswell College uses Canvas as its web-based learning tool and SONIS for student data. Students needing assistance with Canvas should contact the Canvas Help Support line at (844) 358-6140. Tech support is available at this number, twenty-four hours a day. Students needing help with SONIS should contact the Campus Software Manager at studenttechsupport@criswell.edu.

Student Services: The Student Services Office exists to foster and encourage success in all areas of life—physical, intellectual, spiritual, social, and emotional. Students are encouraged to reach out for assistance by contacting the office at 214.818.1332 or studentservices@criswell.edu. The Student Services Office also works with local counseling centers to ensure that every student has access to helpful mental health resources. More information is located on the college website at [Criswell College Mental Health Resources](#), and students may contact the Director of Student Services if they have any questions.

Wallace Library: Students can access academic resources and obtain research assistance by contacting or visiting the Wallace Library, which is located on campus. For more information, email the Wallace Library at library@criswell.edu. Offsite login information is available in Canvas in the “Criswell Student Training Course” under “Library Information.”

Tutoring Center: Students are encouraged to consult with tutors to improve and enhance their skills and confidence in any subject matter taught at the college. Tutors have been recommended by the faculty to ensure that the tutor(s) are qualified to serve the student body. Every tutor brings experience and expertise in an effort to provide the proper resources for the subject matter at hand. To consult with a tutor, students can visit the Tutoring Center located on the second floor in room E203, or schedule an appointment by emailing tutoringcenter@criswell.edu or by calling 214.818.1373.

Course Outline/Calendar

#	Date	Subject	Quiz or test due	Homework due
1	Jan 18	Syllabus, review,		[Key—Ex = Exercise; BT = Bible Translation section]; a = top of page; b = bottom of page
2	Jan 23	Volitives (chap 18)	Voc BBH3 15-17	
3	Jan 25	Volitives		
4	Jan 30	Pronoun Suffixes on verbs (chap 19)	Voc BBH3 14-18	Ex 18: p. 72:3-12; 74:2-5; 75:2-3
5	Feb 1	Pronoun Objects	Volitives	
6	Feb 6	Infinitives construct (chap 20)	Voc BBH3 15-19	Ex 19: p. 77:1-15; 78:1-15; 80:5-6; 81:9-10
7	Feb 8	Infinitives absolute (chap 21)	Suffixes on verbs	
8	Feb 13	Participles (chap 22)	Voc BBH3 17-21	Ex 20: pp. 82-83a:1-20; p. 83b:1, 3, 5, 7, 9; Ex 21: p. 87:1-10
9	Feb 15	Participles		
10	Feb 20	Niphal strong verbs (chap 24)	Qal participles	Ex 22: pp. 92:1-20; p. 94:1, 2, 4, 5; p. 95:8-10
11	Feb 22	Intro to the Hebrew lexicon		
12	Feb 27	Niphal weak verbs (chap 25)	Voc BBH3 21-24	Ex 24: pp. 102-103:1-20; pp. 1-3-104:1-10; p. 105:1-5
13	Mar 1	Niphal verbs		Lexical assignment
14	Mar 6	Hiphil strong verbs (chap 26)	Qal/Niphal verbs	Ex 25: pp. 108-109:1-30; p. 111:8-10
15	Mar 8	Hiphil weak verbs (chap 27)	Exam 1: BBH3 chapters 17 - 25	
Week of March 13–17: Spring Break				
16	Mar 20	Hiphil verbs		Ex 26: pp. 116-17:1-15; Ex 27: p. 123:15-30; p. 125:7-9
17	Mar 22	Hophal verbs (chaps 28-29)	Voc BBH3 24-27	Jonah 1
18	Mar 27	Piel strong verbs (chap 30)	Qal/Niphal/Hiphil verbs	Ex 28: p. 134:1-10; Ex 29: p. 138:6-25; p. 139:1-3
19	Mar 29	Piel weak verbs (chap 31)	Voc BBH3 26-29	
20	Apr 3	Pual verbs (chaps 32-33)		Ex 30: p. 145:1-20; Ex 31: p.

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21	Apr 5	Piel and Pual verbs	Voc BBH3 27-31	
22	Apr 10	Hithpael strong verbs (chap 34)	Qal/Niphal/Hiphil /Piel verbs	Ex 32: p. 161:1-15; Ex 33: p. 167:11-25; 168:1-3
23	Apr 12	Hithpael weak verbs (chap 35)	Voc BBH3 29-33	
24	Apr 17	Intro to the Hebrew Bible; Jonah	All verb stems	Ex 34: omit; Ex 35: p. 181:1-25; p. 182:1-4
25	Apr 19	Jonah	Exam 2: BBH3 chapters 26 – 35	Jonah TBA
26	Apr 24	Jonah	Voc BBH3 31-35	Jonah TBA; Word Study
27	Apr 26	Jonah		Jonah TBA
28	May 1	Jonah		Jonah TBA
29	May 3	Jonah	Vocab Jonah	Jonah TBA
30	May 10	Final exam (BBH and Jonah)	Final exam	Jonah TBA

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