**Course Descriptions**

**Bible**

**BIBL 2250** Bible Study That Matters. An introduction to the practice of Biblical hermeneutics. The class will examine the history and development of hermeneutics, including the most recent developments. Also included is practice in the interpretation of the different kinds of Biblical literature .................................................. 4 s.h.

**BIBL 2251** (A/F-E) The Old Testament and Interpretation. A survey of the content, message, and literary forms of the books of the Old Testament with attention given to the principles of biblical interpretation. .................................................. 4 s.h.


**BIBL 3020** (A/S-O) Hebrew Prophetic Literature. Study of selected Israelite prophets and the prophetic tradition with a consideration of the use of the prophetic literature in history and modern times.......................................................... 4 s.h.

**BIBL 3040** (A/S-E) The Life and Teaching of Jesus. A study focusing on the “quest” of the historical Jesus, the historicity of the gospel records, the life of Jesus, and the form and content of His teaching. .................................................. 4 s.h.

**BIBL 3520** (A/F-O) The Historical Geography and Archeology of Israel. This course will aim to give the student a thorough overview of the land of the Bible from the Patriarchs to the Islamic conquests. Matters of topography, geology, history, and archaeology will be addressed in a manner that enhances the meaning of the Bible and enriches the student’s grasp of Biblical history.......................................................... 4 s.h.

**BIBL 3800/3830** (D) Internship/Cooperative Education. For a complete description of Internships and Cooperative Education, see the Off-Campus Internship section under Experiential Learning.

Prerequisite: 12 s.h. of Philosophy and Religion

**BIBL 3900** (D) Special Topics. Open to advanced students with the consent of the department.......................................................... Credit to be arranged.

**BIBL 4030** (D) “The Books of Moses”: The Pentateuch. The origin stories and foundational concepts (such as creation, exodus, torah, and covenant) of Israel’s heritage are considered in detail in this study of Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy .......................................................... 4 s.h.
**BIBL 4050 (A/F-O) Hebrew Wisdom Literature.** An exploration of the questions and literature of Israel’s wisdom tradition, especially Proverbs, Job, and Ecclesiastes. Includes comparisons with modern authors and culture. .................................................. 4 s.h

**BIBL 4060 (A/S-O) The Gospel and Epistles of John.** A review of the scholarly research in Johannine studies and an in-depth examination of the gospel. Special emphasis on the major theological themes of John as they relate to Biblical theology ........................................................................................................................................................................... 4 s.h.

**BIBL 4140 (D) Paul.** An introduction to the life and thought of Paul with primary emphasis on the chief theological themes found in the apostle’s writings as they relate to distinctive settings in Acts................................................................................................. 4 s.h.