

Introduction to the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament (BIBHB500)

Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

June 15-26 2020, daily 8:00 am-12:30 pm

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PRE-READING: Students will certainly have to have pre-read BOTH of the Coogan books. They are very short, totalling together 360 pages. No student who has NOT pre-read will be permitted to take the course.

Course Description: "Introduction to the texts of the Hebrew Scriptures--Torah, Prophets, and Writings--with emphasis on the order and contents, cultural settings, literary forms, religious themes, and interpretive approaches."

Accommodations Policy: Garrett-Evangelical is committed to providing a quality theological education and will provide reasonable accommodations for documented conditions. Students requiring specific assistance such as classroom changes, alternative ways of note-taking, different classroom procedures, or alternative testing formats are urged to request the appropriate accommodations from the director of academic studies/registrar. The director of academic studies/registrar can advise students on other support services and resources, for example, diagnostic testing. Students must complete a request for accommodations using the form available from the director of academic studies/registrar or through MyGETS documenting their condition(s) through appropriate verification methods.

Required Texts:

1. Michael Coogan. *The Old Testament: A Very Short Introduction*. 2008: Oxford University. Publisher: \$11.95. 160 pages. ISBN: 9780195305050
2. _____. *Stories from Ancient Canaan, 2nd edition* (paperback). 2012: Westminster John Knox. Publisher: \$27. 160 pages. ISBN: ISBN9780664232429.
3. Common English Bible and Joel B. Green. *The CEB Study Bible with Apocrypha*. ISBN-13: 978-1609260293. ISBN-10: 1609260295. Amazon hardcover \$39.99.

COVID-19 Note: As of March 20, 2020, it is impossible to know the circumstances under which learners will experience this course. For this reason, a course design will have to wait until we have some clarity.