

**THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY  
FACULTY OF HUMANITIES  
DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

**Religious Studies 209 L40 – Classical Hebrew II**

**Course Outline**

**June 7 - 30**

Last Revised: May 9, 2006

<b>Logistics</b>	<b>Time</b>	TWRF, 9:00-11:45 am
	<b>Instructor</b>	Dr. David A. Bergen
	<b>Office Hours</b>	TWRF 12:00 - 1:00, or by appointment (SS 1322)
	<b>Telephone</b>	220-3285
	<b>Email</b>	burgndy@telus.net
	<b>Course Website</b>	<a href="http://www.ucalgary.ca/~dabergen/">http://www.ucalgary.ca/~dabergen/</a>
	<b>Textbooks</b>	J. Weingreen, <i>A Practical Grammar for Classical Hebrew</i>
<b>Course Description</b>	This offering of <i>Classical Hebrew II</i> is a continuation of <i>Classical Hebrew I</i> , with an intensive introduction to the strong and weak verbal components of biblical Hebrew. Students will progress through the latter half of the Weingreen textbook. Emphasis in the course will continue to develop practical interpretive skills for exegetical work within a religious studies context.	
<b>Core Competencies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• a rudimentary understanding of the verbal system of biblical Hebrew</li><li>• basic reading competence of the Bible in original Hebrew, with the aid of a lexicon and grammar texts</li><li>• knowledge of basic Hebrew vocabulary</li><li>• familiarity with an ancient text of considerable import for Western civilization</li></ul>	
<b>Student Responsibilities</b>	Students are responsible for independent memorization of Hebrew vocabulary, for the assimilation of the rules of Hebrew grammar, and for the timely coordination and completion of group assignments.	
<b>Learning Assessment</b>	Class Participation	20%
	Daily Assignments (12 total)	50%
	Three Tests (equally weighted: June 13, June 20, June 28-30)	30%
		Total: 100%

PLEASE NOTE:

- given the time-intensive nature of this course, it is imperative that students attend all classes.
- it is recommended that students commit to a minimum of one hour of study for every hour of

class time.

- tests must be written/submitted on the dates scheduled. No exceptions will be made, except for death, significant illness, or domestic affliction (corroborated by a valid note from a physician or counsellor). The instructor must be contacted within twenty-four hours of a missed exam or deadline.
- if class numbers permit, daily assignments will be collaborative “group work” projects, with a continual rotation of group members. Daily assignments are due at the beginning of class.
- the final test will be a one-hour, registrar scheduled exam

### Grading

A numerical mark will be given for each course requirement. A letter grade will be assigned on the following number and letter grade scheme:

A+	100 - 96	A	95 - 90	A-	89 - 85
B+	84 - 80	B	79 - 75	B-	74 - 70
C+	69 - 65	C	64 - 60	C-	59 - 55
D+	54 - 53	D	52-50	F	Under 50

### Academic Honesty:

*Plagiarism is not tolerated at the University of Calgary and has serious consequences. Your essays/presentations must be your own work and inadequate referencing may be seen as plagiarism. Please see the relevant sections on Academic Misconduct in the current University Calendar. If you have questions about correct referencing, please consult your instructor.*

### Academic Accommodation:

If you are a student with a disability who requires academic accommodation and you have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. Once registered, please discuss any upcoming tests/examinations with the instructor **two weeks** before the scheduled date.

### Gnosis:

Gnosis is the Religious Studies Student Club. For membership or more information please email: [gnosis@ucalgary.ca](mailto:gnosis@ucalgary.ca) or visit <http://www.ucalgary.ca/~gnosis>.

## COURSE SCHEDULE

Week	Date	Textbook Chapters, Assignments, and Tests

<b>First</b>	June 7	Chs. 38-41 First Assignment
	8	Chs. 42-45 Second Assignment
	9	Chs. 46-49 Third Assignment
<b>Second</b>	13	Test #1 Chs. 50-53 Fourth Assignment
	14	Chs. 54-57 Fifth Assignment
	15	Chs. 58-61 Sixth Assignment
	16	Chs. 62-65 Seventh Assignment
<b>Third</b>	20	TEST #2 Chs. 66-69 Eighth Assignment
	21	Chs. 70-73 Ninth Assignment
	22	Chs. 74-77 Tenth Assignment
	23	Chs. 78-81 Eleventh Assignment
<b>Fourth</b>	27	Chs. 82-83 Twelfth Assignment
	28-30	TEST #3