

The University of Calgary
Faculty of Humanities
Department of Religious Studies
Course Information: RELS 401 L01, Fall 2008

Title Religious Studies 401: Studies in Biblical Hebrew Literature I
Venue TR 12:30-13:45, SS1319
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Texts - Williams, Ronald J., and John C. Beckman. 2007. *Williams' Hebrew Syntax*. Toronto/Buffalo/London: U. of Toronto Press.
 - van Pelt, Miles V., and Gary D. Pratico. 2006. *Graded Reader of Biblical Hebrew: A Guide to Reading the Hebrew Bible*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan.
 - Elliger, K., and W. Rudolph. 1977. *Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia*. Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft.

Orientation

RelS 401 provides opportunities for continuing students (pre-requisites RelS 207, 209) to expand comprehension of classical Hebrew and compositional techniques in the Hebrew Bible. Classes are devoted to reading original language text segments with the aid of the grammatical commentary provided in the primary textbook (van Pelt, Pratico). These sessions are not intended as sight-reading exercises and students are expected to come to class having studied the commentary and the text in advance.

Learning Assessment

<i>Credit Work</i>	
1. Translation	
bi-weekly sight translation quizzes	30
exegetical project (due 06 Nov)	20
2. Exams	
mid-term (21 Oct)	25
penultimate (20 Nov)	25
Total: <i>(N.B. no additional credit work will be offered.)</i>	100

<i>Grading Scale</i>					
A	100-90	B-	74-70	D+	54-50
A-	89-85	C+	69-65	D	49-45
B+	84-80	C	64-60	F	44-0
B	79-75	C-	59-55		

****There will be no Registrar-scheduled final exam for this course***

Academic Honesty

Students should be familiar with University regulations regarding academic integrity (University Calendar, see the index item, "Misconduct, academic").