

School of Theology - Textbook List

Semester 2, 2025

Please note:

Books that are designated under “Required Texts” are books that you will need for your course. “Recommended Texts” will be helpful for your assignment writing and worthwhile texts to add to your library, but won’t be needed for course reading.

Following are websites that you can order your textbooks from. You can order through the Manna Store henderson@manna.co.nz or through Manna Online. If you choose to do this, allow plenty of time for delivery.

- www.thenile.co.nz
- www.koorong.com
- www.amazon.com
- www.manna.co.nz
- www.churchstores.co.nz
- www.epicbooks.co.nz
- www.blackwells.co.uk
- www.christianvaluebooks.co.nz
- www.abebooks.com/books/anz
- www.fishpond.co.nz

Electronic books:

Note that you can often buy the books cheaper through Amazon as electronic Kindle books. To read these you can download free software “Kindle for PC” and read them on a laptop or you can buy a Kindle e-Reader or use a tablet (ipad etc). Other options for eBooks are Kobo and Google Books. The advantages are price (often about \$10) and instant delivery. The possible downside is having to read it on a laptop. There are also a number of [eBooks available through the Laidlaw Library](#).

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107.515 HEBREW 2

The course text is the online Living Biblical Hebrew 2–Jonah, produced by the Biblical Language Center.

A link will be provided at the start of semester 2 for purchasing Living Biblical Hebrew 2–Jonah. Please only use this link to purchase this material.

109.515 GREEK 2

The class texts are the online Living Koine Greek: An Introduction, Levels D–F, produced by the Biblical Language Center.

A link will be provided at the start of semester 2 for purchasing Living Koine Greek. Please only use this link to purchase this material.

120.515 READING THE OLD TESTAMENT

Recommended:

Bill T. Arnold and Bryan E. Beyer, *Encountering the Old Testament*. 4th ed. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2024.

123.6/715 PROPHETS

L6 English Option:

There is no textbook for this course but at the beginning of the course L6 students are advised to read M. Daniel Carrol R.:

- "Twenty Years of Amos Research." CBR 18 (2019): 32–58. (On Moodle)

L7 English Option and L6 & 7 Hebrew Option:

There is no textbook for this course but at the beginning of the course L7 students are advised to read M. Daniel Carrol R.:

- Amos–The Prophet and his Oracles: Research on the Book of Amos, (Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2002), 3–30 (on Moodle), and
- "Twenty Years of Amos Research." CBR 18 (2019): 32–58. (On Moodle)

152.6/715 EPISTLES 2

Recommended:

Weima, Jeffrey A. D. 1–2 Thessalonians. BECNT. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2014.

Jobes, Karen H. 1 Peter. Second Edition. BECNT. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2022.

Moo, Douglas J. The Letter of James. Second Edition. PNTC. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2021.

201.515 ENGAGING THEOLOGY

Recommended:

Graham McFarlane. *A Model for Evangelical Theology*. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2020.

OR

Ben C. Blackwell and R. L. Hatchett, *Engaging Theology: A Biblical, Historical, and practical Introduction*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Academic, 2019.

205.6/715 CHURCH: THEOLOGY AND PRACTICE

Brad Harper and Paul Louis Metzger. *Exploring Ecclesiology: An Evangelical and Ecumenical Introduction*. Grand Rapids: Brazos Press, 2009.

As an alternative, you could read:

Gary D. Badcock. *The House Where God Lives: Renewing the Doctrine of the Church for Today*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2009.

308.515 CHRISTIAN HISTORY: OUR STORY

Recommended:

Students should choose between one of the required texts below for directed readings.

Engelbrecht, Edward. A. ed. *The Church from Age to Age: A History from Galilee to Global Christianity*. St. Louis, MO: Concordia, 2011.

OR

Gonzales, J.L. *The Story of Christianity*. Vol.1 & 2: *The Reformation to the Present Day*, Rev Edition. New York: HarperCollins, 2010.

310.6/715 TE HARINUI: THE HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY IN AOTEAROA

No textbook.

351.715 RESEARCH TOPIC 1: CHRISTIAN THOUGHT AND HISTORY

Required:

Nancy Jean Vyhmeister and Terry Robertson, *Your Guide to Writing Quality Research Papers: For Students of Religion and Theology*; 4th edn. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2020.

(This book is available on Logos Software as well. <https://www.logos.com/product/187847/qualityresearch-papers-for-students-of-religion-and-theology-4th-ed>.)

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352.715 RESEARCH TOPIC 2: PRACTICAL THEOLOGY

Required:

Nancy Jean Vyhmeister and Terry Robertson, Your Guide to Writing Quality Research Papers: For Students of Religion and Theology; 4th edn. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2020.

(This book is available on Logos Software as well. <https://www.logos.com/product/187847/qualityresearch-papers-for-students-of-religion-and-theology-4th-ed>.)

401.515 FORMATION

No textbook.

474.530 LEADERSHIP INTERNSHIP I

No textbook.

475.530 LEADERSHIP INTERNSHIP II

No textbook.

478.615 PRACTICUM I

No textbook.

479.715 PRACTICUM II

No textbook.

540.6/715 MAKING DISCIPLES THAT LAST

No textbook.

561.6/715 INTRODUCTION TO PREACHING

Required:

Long, Thomas G. The Witness of Preaching. 3rd ed. Louisville KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2016.

582.6/715 EVANGELISM 1

Keown, Mark J. Evangelism Explained (forthcoming)

(Provided on Moodle.)

590.715 CAPSTONE: INTEGRATIVE PRACTICE

No textbook.

609.6/715 WORLD CHRISTIANITY

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653.715 TIKANGA RANGAHAU

Required:

Nancy Jean Vyhmeister and Terry Robertson, Your Guide to Writing Quality Research Papers: For Students of Religion and Theology; 4th edn. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2020.

(This book is available on Logos Software as well. <https://www.logos.com/product/187847/qualityresearch-papers-for-students-of-religion-and-theology-4th-ed>.)

R121.830 OLD TESTAMENT NARRATIVE: ITS MESSAGE AND METHOD

No textbook.

R234.830 ADVANCED ECCLESIOLOGY

Bender, Kimlyn J., and D. Stephen Long, eds. T&T Clark Handbook of Ecclesiology. New York: T & T Clark, 2020.

Harper, Brad, and Paul Louis Metzger. Exploring Ecclesiology: An Evangelical and Ecumenical Introduction. Grand Rapids: Brazos Press, 2009.

Kärkkäinen, Veli-Matti. An Introduction to Ecclesiology: Ecumenical, Historical and Global Perspectives. Downers Grove: IVP Academic, 2002.

R351.830 POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH AND WRITING

Vyhmeister, Nancy Jean, and Terry Robertson. Your Guide to Writing Quality Research Papers: For Students of Religion and Theology. 4th ed. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2020.

(Copies are on reserve at the Laidlaw library, and a single user ebook is also available, but you are advised to purchase your own copy. The book will not be systematically utilised throughout the course, but is an excellent resource for academic writing and thesis development.)

R508.830 REFLECTIVE PRACTICE FOR MINISTRY

No textbook.

R513.830 DEVELOPING A MINISTRY SUPERVISION PRACTICE

No textbook.



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