

# COURSE DETAILS FOR GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF THEOLOGY

## DISTANCE LEARNING CAMPUS

SEMESTER 2, 2019

### **107.515 BIBLICAL HEBREW: INTRODUCTION 2**

*John de Jong*

This course is a continuation of 106.515 Biblical Hebrew: Introduction 1, the introductory study of the grammar and vocabulary of Biblical Hebrew, and its application in translation and exegesis.

### **109.515 BIBLICAL GREEK: INTRODUCTION 2**

*Julia van den Brink*

This course is a continuation of 108.515, a study of the grammar and vocabulary of New Testament Greek, and its application in translation and exegesis.

### **115.515 BIBLICAL THEOLOGY**

This course introduces learners to the biblical metanarrative as the structure of biblical theology and with the Christian gospel as the centre of biblical theology.

### **120.515 OLD TESTAMENT: INTRODUCTION**

This course introduces learners to the Old Testament, including its literary nature and themes, its importance in understanding the New Testament, and its contemporary relevance.

### **122.615/715 OLD TESTAMENT: PENTATEUCH**

This course will engage the student in detailed exegesis of the English [or the Hebrew] text of selected parts of the Pentateuch, as well as studies in the theology of the Pentateuch with particular focus on the book of Deuteronomy.

### **148.615/715 NEW TESTAMENT: 1 CORINTHIANS**

*Aitee Koh*

This course examines the life setting, contents and theological perspectives of 1 Corinthians, together with a consideration of selected themes in Pauline theology. There is also exegesis of selected English texts, or translation and exegesis of selected Greek texts.

### **201.515 THEOLOGY: INTRODUCTION**

An introduction to theology that answers the question: What do Christians believe and why? The course examines the sources of theological authority; theological method based on those sources; the content of Christian belief; and how theology relates to individual, communal and global life.

### **202.615/715 THEOLOGY: CHRIST AND REVELATION**

*Aitee Koh*

This course examines traditional and contemporary theologies of the person and work of Christ, theology of revelation and Scripture.

### **215.515 BEGINNING THEOLOGY**

*Ian Waddington*

This course introduces students to theological reflection, providing opportunities for students to develop basic skills for working with biblical texts and theological ideas and applying those skills in everyday contexts.

### **271.615/715 GOSPEL AND CULTURE**

*Aitee Koh*

This course introduces students to theological integration by exploring how the Gospel, rooted in the Biblical narrative, informs all areas of life in contemporary culture and society. It asserts that the Gospel is embodied in culture, while at the same time serves to critique and enrich that same culture. Students are introduced to tools and techniques to faithfully “read the signs of the times” in both Aotearoa New Zealand and global contexts, and to evaluate how the Gospel might be expressed authentically and creatively across disciplines and contexts.

### **308.515 THE STORY OF CHRISTIANITY**

*Angelene Goodman*

This course offers a survey of major developments in the history of Christianity from the early church through to the 21st century with attention to the life and thought of key individuals.

### **401.515 FORMATION**

*David Wells*

This course aims to help students' spiritual formation, through engagement with Scripture and a variety of Christian spiritual traditions, reflection on their own and others' foundational experiences, and the development of spiritual practices for life and vocation.

### **406.615/715 HISTORICAL AND CONTEMPORARY MODELS OF SPIRITUALITY**

*David Wells*

This course explores a variety of significant traditions within Christian spirituality, including their biblical and historical origins, and considers their contribution to spiritual life in the contemporary world.

### **460.515 JOURNEYING INTO MINISTRY**

This course introduces students to foundational personal management knowledge to support their discipleship journey into ministry to serve the church and the community.

### **464.615 LEADERSHIP DYNAMICS**

This course explores interpersonal dynamics in leadership. Leadership theory meets practice through the experience of ministry, mentoring, specific models of reflective practice, an examination of the student's own leadership style and integrative tutorials with a specific focus on communication, group dynamics and leadership styles.

## **505.515 MISSION, CHURCH AND COMMUNITY**

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*David Wells*

This course begins by asking, "Where is God at work in the world?" And asks, "How do we respond to change and the emerging challenges of 21st Century in ways that are intelligent, imaginative, and courageous?" The course examines theological, historical, and cultural aspects of ministry and explores some of the diverse expressions of the gospel in Aotearoa New Zealand and beyond. This course invites us to discover what part in the gospel story we are being called to play.

## **561.615 INTRODUCTION TO PREACHING**

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*David Wells*

The purpose of this course is to help prepare students to preach biblical sermons that witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ. Preaching is an event where we participate with the triune God in faithfully proclaiming the Gospel so that people may faithfully respond.

## **612.615/715 MAJORITY WORLD THEOLOGY**

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*Aitee Koh*

This course offers an introductory look at 'local' theologies. It considers how cultures bring differences of emphasis and insight into their reading of Scripture and ways in which evaluation is still required and possible as the Gospel is related to the worldviews of particular contexts.

*This timetable is correct at the time of publication; however the College reserves the right to cancel courses, or alter lecture times should circumstances arise. Up to date information is available at any time by contacting the College.*