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## TH1105 The Old Testament and Theology

### Course Number, Name, and Credit Hours

TH1105 The Old Testament and Theology, 3 credit hours

### Course Description

Investigation of a variety of theologies derived from the Old Testament. Targets areas of theology in both Western and non-Western theological thinking. Emphasis placed on the construction of theology based on the interpretation of Old Testament texts.

*Prerequisite: GSU-1107 Foundations of Learning; can be taken concurrently.*

### Course Objectives

By the completion of this course you should be able to:

1. Describe the place of a particular book within the broader Old Testament Story.
2. Evaluate the literary characteristics of an Old Testament book.
3. Develop theological themes from the Old Testament and particular books within it.
4. Compare and contrast western and non-western perspectives on biblical interpretation and theological themes from an Old Testament book.

### Content Expectations

Required textbooks for all Moody Online classes can be found on the [Required Textbooks](#) section of the Moody website.

### Assignments

All assignments are due according to the schedule listed on the Course Schedule.

1. **CLASS PARTICIPATION:** Active participation is expected in this online course. Participation includes two main areas: discussion boards and reading. **Class Participation** accounts for between 25% and 40% of final course grade.
  - a. **Discussion Boards:** You must maintain a significant presence in the discussion board. Please refer to the discussion board rubric included in the Resources section of this course for more information on how your participation in the discussion board will be assessed. Post your initial response to the discussion question by mid-week (Friday, 11:59pm CT). Then read and respond to at least **TWO** of your classmates' initial posts by the end of the week (Monday, 11:59pm CT).
  - b. **Course Expectations:** The completion of the course reading, audio/video reviews, online articles, etc. is an important part of the course. You are expected to complete the weekly expectations prior to your discussion boards each week so you are able to discuss the concepts with others in the course.
2. **ASSIGNMENTS:** There will be several projects in this course requiring skills learned that include work with Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. The assignments in the course are:
  - a. **Assignment 1-1:** Storyline Interaction
  - b. **Assignment 2-1:** Defining Characterization
  - c. **Assignment 3-1:** Literary Characteristics of Irony Project
  - d. **Assignment 4-1:** Specific Old Testament Theological Themes Paper
  - e. **Assignment 5-1:** Esther and Exile Paper
  - f. **Assignment 6-1:** Bibliography
  - g. **Assignment 6-2:** Commentary Review



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- h. **Assignment 7-1:** Narrative of Esther
- i. **Assignment 8-1:** Final Paper

**Writing Style**

Undergraduate students at Moody Bible Institute are to follow the Modern Language Association (MLA) style for all written assignments. Your instructor may waive this requirement for specific assignments such as discussion boards, blogs, emails, and the like, but if not stated otherwise, follow MLA guidelines. Assignments not in proper MLA format may be returned with a request to redo the assignment and could be subject to a late penalty.

**At a minimum**, all assignments submitted as a document are to be in a standard 12-point font (limited to Time New Roman, Arial, Calibri, Cambria, Century Schoolbook fonts), 8½ x 11 page size, and double-spaced and are to be submitted as a Microsoft Word document (.doc or .docx). Papers that cite other works should include a Works Cited page.

Students should follow the latest version of the *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers* (currently the 7<sup>th</sup> edition) or use the OWL website at <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/>.

**Assessments**

Your grade for this course will consist of:

Class Participation	25%
Storyline Interaction (1-1)	10%
Defining Characterization (2-1)	10%
Literary Characterizations of Irony Project (3-1)	5%
Specific OT Theological Themes Paper (4-1)	10%
Esther and Exile Paper (5-1)	10%
Bibliography (6-1)	4%
Commentary Reviews (6-2)	6%
Narrative Esther Paper (7-1)	10%
Final Paper (8-1)	10%
	<b>100%</b>

Letter grades are determined by the following scale:

Letter Grade	Percentage Equivalent	Letter Grade	Percentage Equivalent
A	96% or higher	C	73 - 76.9%
A-	90 - 95.9%	C-	70 - 72.9%
B+	87 - 89.9%	D+	67 - 69.9%
B	83 - 86.9%	D	63- 66.9%
B-	80 - 82.9%	D-	60 - 62.9%
C+	77 - 79.9%	F	Below 60%

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