

BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT (BNT)

BNT 501 Introductory Biblical Greek I - 3 Units

Introduces New Testament Greek, focusing on phonology, morphology, grammar, and high-frequency vocabulary, with attention to accurate reading and the use of Greek as a foundational tool for interpreting the New Testament.

BNT 502 Introductory Biblical Greek II - 3 Units

Continues the study of introductory New Testament Greek with further investigation of morphology, grammar, and high-frequency vocabulary, emphasizing reading competence and the use of Greek for interpreting the New Testament.

BNT 510 Topics: New Testament Texts - 3 Units

Focused study of a specific New Testament book or corpus using a contemporary translation. Emphasizes literary structure, theological themes, historical context, and contemporary application. Course focus varies by semester. Repeatable for credit with different focus.

BNT 520 Exposition: Gospel and Acts - 3 Units

Provides an exegetical and theological study of Matthew through Acts via close reading of the Bible in contemporary translation. The course examines historical, cultural, and literary contexts; major narrative structures; and central theological themes shaping early Christian proclamation and practice. Emphasis is placed on responsible interpretation, synthesis of biblical theology, and application for Christian life and ministry.

BNT 540 Topics: New Testament Theology - 3 Units

In-depth theological study of a major theme (or closely related group of themes) traced across the New Testament. Students engage biblical texts in contemporary translations, evaluate scholarly perspectives, and develop coherent theological reflection attentive to canonical shape and contemporary contexts. Prerequisite: BIB 505.

BNT 555 Exposition: New Testament Epistles - 3 Units

Provides an exegetical and theological study of Romans through Revelation via close reading of the Bible in contemporary translation. The course examines historical, cultural, and literary contexts, major theological arguments, and the development of early Christian doctrine and practice. Emphasis is placed on responsible interpretation, theological synthesis, and application for Christian life and ministry.

BNT 601 Greek Exegesis - 3 Units

Builds on prior New Testament Greek study through close reading of selected texts, emphasizing syntax, discourse, semantics, textual criticism, phrasing diagrams, and exegetical method. Students apply intermediate syntactical and lexical analysis to extended Greek passages and develop competence in moving from detailed textual observation to theological synthesis and responsible interpretation for teaching, preaching, or scholarly work.

BNT 620 Advanced Exposition: Synoptics and Acts - 3 Units

Examines the Synoptic Gospels and Acts through advanced exegetical, literary, historical, and theological analysis. Develops interpretive competence in narrative and redaction criticism through engagement with selected Greek texts. Explores the distinctive theological purposes of the Synoptic Gospels and Acts and their contribution to early Christian proclamation. Integrates close textual analysis with theological synthesis and reflective application appropriate to graduate-level biblical study and ministry contexts. Prerequisite: BNT 601.

BNT 655 Advanced Exposition: Pauline Epistles and Hebrews - 3-3 Units

Examines the Pauline Epistles and Hebrews with focused attention to exegetical and theological interpretation of selected Greek texts. Explores the life, mission, and theology of the Apostle Paul. Analyzes the historical, literary, and theological dimensions of the letters and Hebrews in their relationship to apostolic history and the life and mission of the early church. Emphasizes the development of disciplined interpretive skills for scholarly study, teaching, preaching, and ministry contexts, and integrates exegetical analysis with theological reflection and spiritual formation. Prerequisite: BNT 601.

BNT 681 Advanced Exposition: Johannine Literature and General Epistles - 3 Units

Examines the Gospel of John, Revelation, and the seven General Epistles with attention to their literary forms, historical settings, and theological emphases. Evaluates differences between the Fourth Gospel and the Synoptics. Students develop advanced exegetical skills through sustained engagement with the Greek text, comparison with other New Testament writings, and analysis of key interpretive issues. The course emphasizes responsible interpretation for teaching, preaching, and scholarly research, and considers the significance of this set of literature for Christian theology, discipleship, and mission.

BNT 800 Topics in New Testament - 1-3 Units

Provides an opportunity for students to engage critically with emerging issues, debates, and developments within a specific academic discipline. Students explore contemporary topics that shape the Church's witness, theological reflection, and vocational practice in today's world. Emphasis is placed on integrating biblical and theological perspectives with scholarly inquiry, fostering spiritual formation, and cultivating leadership rooted in humility and social responsibility.

BNT 810 Topics: Advanced New Testament Texts - 1-3 Units

Advanced exegetical study of a selected New Testament book or corpus in the original language. Emphasizes grammatical-syntactical analysis, textual issues, theological interpretation, and contemporary significance. Course focus varies by semester. Repeatable for credit with different focus. Prerequisite: BNT 601 or doctoral standing.

BNT 840 Topics: Advanced New Testament Theology - 1-3 Units

Advanced theological study of a selected theme, doctrine, or theological trajectory within the New Testament. Emphasizes canonical development, historical interpretation, and constructive theological reflection. Course focus varies by semester. Repeatable for credit with different focus. Prerequisite: BNT 601 or doctoral standing.

BNT 850 Topics: Advanced New Testament Greek - 1-3 Units

Advanced study of New Testament Greek with emphasis on linguistic analysis, lexicography, and interpretive methods beyond introductory exegesis. Students engage advanced grammatical, syntactical, and discourse features of the Greek New Testament while developing skills in lexical research and critical interaction with scholarly debates. Attention is given to the theological and interpretive implications of Hebrew language analysis. Specific textual focus may vary by offering. Repeatable for credit with different focus. Prerequisite: BNT 601 or doctoral standing.

BNT 880 New Testament Use of the Old Testament - 3 Units

Examination of key quotations and allusions across different biblical corpora to explore the relationship between the Old and New Testaments. Students focus on how later texts engage earlier ones, the interpretive methods they employ, and the hermeneutical assumptions that guide these interpretations. The course also connects these textual practices to broader questions in biblical and systematic theology, showing how Christians understand and teach Scripture as a unified canon.