

# LANG 510/511 – Introductory Old Testament Hebrew I & II

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May 16 – July 1; Monday – Thursday 8:30 am – 12:30 pm

LANG 510: 3 graduate credit hours or 2 audit hours; LANG 511: 3 graduate credit hours or 2 audit hours

Live Online Only

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

Welcome to Biblical Hebrew! The aim of this course is to lay the essential groundwork for a basic reading knowledge of Biblical Hebrew. Our primary focus will include a thorough memorization of the most common Hebrew words and a mastery of elementary morphology (the forms of the words) and syntax (how they fit together to form a sentence). In addition to the course textbooks below, we will be reviewing the material presented in Ross with the online resource [animatedhebrew.com](http://animatedhebrew.com) (an offline version will be made available for those with limited internet access). The lectures offered in [animatedhebrew.com/lectures/index.html](http://animatedhebrew.com/lectures/index.html), to be “consumed” at the student’s convenience, will give us more class time for personal interaction and the assimilation of information with more practical work. This means that students must be motivated to learn the principles of each lesson before the class. Though we will use the beginning of each class to answer questions about the lesson, much of the class-time will be working in groups. With the principles of this pedagogical model in mind, the student should try and learn the first section of the textbook before the course begins. The Hebrew script and system of vowel notation can be a little daunting at first so it would be very helpful to learn the alphabet and vowel points prior to the first class (Lessons 1-6 of the textbook, especially 1-2). We move rather quickly through this preliminary material and without previous exposure to it you may find it difficult to keep pace. It is easy to fall behind in Summer Hebrew because of the fast pace, but I think you will find the return on investment to be much greater than other courses. So be prepared to work but also be prepared to have a great deal of fun.

## COURSE OUTLINE

**Week 1** Lessons 1 – 7

**Week 2** Lessons 8 – 14

**Week 3** Lessons 15 – 20

**Week 4** Lessons 21 – 25; LANG 510 Final Exam **June 6th**

**Week 5** Lessons 26 – 31

**Week 6** Lessons 32 – 36

**Week 7** Lessons 37 – 40; LANG 511 Final Exam **July 1st**

## REQUIRED TEXTS

Ross, Allen P. *Introducing Biblical Hebrew*. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2001. ISBN: 0801021472.

Clemens, David M. *Supplementary Exercises for Introducing Biblical Hebrew*. Vancouver: Regent College Publishing, 2008. ISBN: 9781573834254.

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Please Note: This Course Information Sheet is meant to assist in selecting courses. The official syllabus should be consulted for more detailed information. A full syllabus with drop deadlines, policies, and course assignment details is available

