

# BIBLE EXPOSITION (TTBE)

## Objectives

While the entire seminary curriculum contributes to the goal of accurate exposition of Scripture, it is the purpose of this department to focus on the following:

1. Sound hermeneutics, which leads to accurate interpretation and application of Scripture.
2. Introductory issues for each Old and New Testament book which inform accurate Bible exposition, including authorship, historical and cultural background, theme and purpose, or unique theological contributions.
3. Synthesis and analysis, accomplished through biblical survey and analysis of selected passages and books, enabling one to interpret Scripture in light of the "big picture."
4. Exposition and application, providing examples of well-organized, relevant messages and Bible studies from the English Bible books studied.

## Courses

### TTBE 517 - Hermeneutics and Bible Study Methods Credits 3

A study of principles of sound interpretation and application of the Bible, including analysis of presuppositions, general rules and specialized principles for the various biblical genre and phenomena and the development of an exegetical method. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Divinity and Master of Arts students. **Grade Mode:** A. **Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Class, Graduate Class, Junior Class, or Senior Class; Doctoral Level, Graduate Level, or Undergraduate Level. **Additional Fee(s):** May include the Select Cohort Fee of up to \$250.

### TTBE 519 - Old Testament Survey Credits 3

A broad survey of the Old Testament books, including selected introductory and critical issues, relevant background, major themes and divisions, and crucial problems. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Divinity and Master of Arts students. **Grade Mode:** A. **Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level. **Additional Fee(s):** May include the Select Cohort Fee of up to \$250.

### TTBE 520 - New Testament Survey Credits 3

A general overview of the New Testament books, including selected introductory and critical issues, relevant background, major themes and divisions, and crucial problems. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Divinity and Master of Arts students. **Grade Mode:** A. **Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level. **Additional Fee(s):** May include the Select Cohort Fee of up to \$250.

### TTBE 530 - Elementary Principles of the Biblical Languages Credits 3

Basic principles of language that are foundational to interpreting the biblical text. Overview of the structure of the biblical languages and instruction in the use of various tools based on the original languages. The course will aid the student in understanding issues that arise in interpretation because of the original languages. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Arts (Biblical and Theological Studies) students. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Class, Graduate Class, Junior Class, or Senior Class; Doctoral Level, Graduate Level, or Undergraduate Level.

### TTBE 602 - Genesis Credits 2-3

An exposition, with an emphasis on important critical and contemporary issues, and biblical theology, especially the Abrahamic Covenant. **Note(s):** Elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTBE 604 - Isaiah Credits 2-3

An exposition, emphasizing background issues, purpose, structure, interpretation of prophetic literature, and theological contributions of the book to Old and New Testament theology. **Note(s):** Elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTBE 610 - Romans Credits 2-3

An exposition, emphasizing background issues, purpose, structure, development of the argument, and theological contributions. **Note(s):** Elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTBE 620 - Prison Epistles Credits 2-3

An exposition, emphasizing background issues, purpose, structure, development of the argument, and theological contributions of the Prison Epistles. **Note(s):** Elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTBE 630 - General Epistles Credits 2-3

An exposition, emphasizing background issues, purpose, structure, development of the argument, and theological contributions of the General Epistles. **Note(s):** Elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTBE 650 - Judges and Ruth Credits 2-3

An exposition, emphasizing historical-cultural, literary and theological approaches to the biblical books documenting Israel's settlement period between the conquest and the monarchy. **Note(s):** Elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTBE 660 - Psalms Credits 2-3

An exposition, emphasizing literary, theological, historical-cultural, liturgical, devotional and homiletical approaches to Psalms. **Note(s):** Elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTBE 722 - Directed Research Credits 1-4

Guided research in some biblical area relating to exposition, according to the student's need and relevancy to ministry. **Note(s):** Elective.

**Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTBE 726 - Expository Methodology in Daniel and Revelation****Credits 3**

Application of expository method to selected passages from Daniel and Revelation. Discussion of crucial background and critical issues, book structures, interpretive difficulties, practical implications and various approaches to understanding the text of each book. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Prerequisite(s):** Successful completion of the online Talbot Research and Writing Module in the first or second semester; TTBE 517 or TTSF 517.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTBE 731 - Exposition of Old Testament Segments or Themes****Credits 2-3**

These electives (TTBE 731, TTBE 732) will be offered in cycle, with the breadth of the scope of each offering determined by: 1) the expertise of available faculty; 2) current issues of scholarly and practical importance; and 3) balance in regard to recent offerings. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**Repeat Limit (after first attempt):** 3.

**TTBE 732 - Exposition of New Testament Segments or Themes****Credits 2-3**

These electives (TTBE 731, TTBE 732) will be offered in cycle, with the breadth of the scope of each offering determined by: 1) the expertise of available faculty; 2) current issues of scholarly and practical importance; and 3) balance in regard to recent offerings. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**Repeat Limit (after first attempt):** 3.

**TTBE 745 - World of the Old Testament****Credits 2-3**

Old Testament backgrounds, including a study of the religion, literature, geography, archaeology and culture of Israel in its ancient Near Eastern environment. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Prerequisite(s):** Successful completion of the online Talbot Research and Writing Module in the first or second semester.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTBE 747 - Hermeneutical Principles****Credits 2**

An intermediate course in hermeneutics which addresses core hermeneutical principles with application to methods of exposition for preaching and teaching. This course addresses theological interpretation and includes some comparison between Evangelical, Roman Catholic, and Eastern Orthodox hermeneutical methods. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; and Graduate Level.

**TTBE 750 - Old Testament Wisdom and Poetry****Credits 2-3**

An expository study of key passages and themes in Psalms, Proverbs, Job and Ecclesiastes. Special emphasis is given to the characteristics of Old Testament poetry, the unique purposes of Old Testament wisdom and hymnic literature and the theological relevance of each book in ministry today. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTBE 760 - The Pentateuch****Credits 2-3**

An exposition, emphasizing historical-cultural, literary and theological approaches to the first five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy), beginning with the creation of the world and concluding with the death of Moses. **Note(s):** Elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTBE 770 - The Life of Christ****Credits 2-3**

A chronological and expository study of Jesus Christ's life on earth, emphasizing the historical, cultural and theological interpretation of key events and teachings in Christ's life, as well as the similarities/differences of the four gospel accounts. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTBE 780 - Teaching Scripture****Credits 2**

Teaches how to prepare and execute a lesson from Scripture in contexts such as weekly Bible studies or adult Sunday school classes. Students will learn and practice a method of moving from their exegetical conclusions to a focused, interesting, and life-changing exposition and application of the passage. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Arts Bible Exposition students. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Prerequisite(s):** TTBE 517.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTBE 790 - Bible Exposition Capstone****Credit 1**

Students will work with the course professor to write and present a paper integrating exegesis of Scripture, scholarly research, and reflection on the implications of the conclusions for the individual Christian life, for the body-life of the church, or for the witness of the church in the world. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Arts Bible Exposition students in one of their final two semesters of study. **Grade Mode:** C.

**Prerequisite(s):** TTBE 517.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Bible Exposition (TABE); Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTBE 806 - Bible Exposition Seminar****Credits 2-3**

Special course work for TTBE majors who wish to study a particular area of Bible exposition. **Note(s):** Elective for Master of Theology students. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTBE 811 - Exposition of Central Prophetic Passages****Credits 3**

A special concentration on exposition of selected prophecies with regard to culture, views and the integration of the passages with an overall biblical picture. **Note(s):** Elective for Master of Theology students. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTBE 880 - Directed Research****Credits 1-4**

Supervised research in selected areas of biblical studies. **Note(s):** Elective for Master of Theology students. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTBE 891 - Research Seminar Credits 3**

Discussion and application of the central areas of Bible exposition research and related fields of study. Instruction in research methodology, including the identification of a problem, the steps taken to resolve it, and writing the results. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**Course Fee:** \$50.

**TTBE 892 - Research Seminar Credits 2**

Discussion and application of the central areas of Bible exposition research and related fields of study. Instruction in research, including the identification of a problem, the steps undertaken to resolve a problem, and writing the results. **Note(s):** A second semester taken to continue research in an area of interest. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Talbot School of Theology; Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**Repeat Limit (after first attempt):** 1.