

# ASSEMBLIES OF GOD THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

## BGR 530 Greek 1 A (3 Credits)

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### COURSE SYLLABUS

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

A study of the essentials of Greek morphology and syntax designed to prepare the student for translation and exegesis of the New Testament.

#### COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course the student should be able to:

1. Define the basic elements of Greek grammar and syntax.
2. Identify and translate the assigned vocabulary words without the use of lexical aids.
3. Demonstrate a proficiency in reading Greek using the Erasmusian inflection system.
4. Appreciate the value of studying the New Testament in its original language.

#### TEXTBOOKS

Aland, Kurt, Barbara Aland, Johannes Karavidopoulos, Carlo M. Martini, and Bruce M. Metzger, eds. The Greek New Testament. 4th rev. ed. (**with dictionary**) United Bible Societies, 1993.

Robinson, Thomas A. Mastering Greek Vocabulary. Peabody: Hendrickson Publishers, 1990.

Summers, Ray. Essentials of New Testament Greek. Revised edition by Thomas Sawyer. Nashville: Broadman & Holman Publishers, 1995.

#### Recommended Text:

Cox, Steven L. Essentials of New Testament Greek: A Student's Guide. New revised edition. Nashville: Broadman & Holman Publishers, 1995.

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### **BASIC OUTLINE**

The course will closely follow the material in Essentials of New Testament Greek, Rev. ed. At *least* one chapter per week will be covered.

### **METHODOLOGY**

1. Classroom lecture.
2. Weekly recitation of translation assignments.
3. Discussion groups and group projects.
4. Reading assignments in Greek grammars, lexicons, and other study aids.

### **COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

1. Attendance at all class sessions is necessary. Planned absences should be communicated in advance to the instructor. Absences due to illness or other "unavoidable" circumstances should be communicated to the Faculty Secretary prior to the class session, if possible. The attendance policy as defined by the AGTS catalog will be the guideline for handling excessive absences.
2. Complete all assignments. Workbook assignments will be due each week unless otherwise noted by the instructor. Reading assignments should be verified by a signed affidavit on the due dates. A signed affidavit indicating the completion of all textbook reading should be noted on the final exam.
3. Appropriately prepare for and successfully complete the weekly quizzes and major exams. **The final exam will begin at 10:15am on Friday, December 14, 2001.**

### **GRADING PROCEDURES**

1. Weekly quizzes and major exams will be given cumulative point values based upon the number correct in relation to the number possible on a descending scale as follows:

100% - 90% = A range

89% - 80% = B range

79% - 70% = C range

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69% - 60% = D range

59% - under = F

The instructor will drop the two lowest quiz scores before calculating the average quiz score for the semester.

2. **There will be no late quizzes or exams given unless a student has made the proper absence notification as indicated above under Course Requirements, Section 1.**
3. The following data gives the weight that each portion of the course requirements carry:

Class Participation:	25%
Attendance = 5%	
Readings = 5%	
Group Project = 5%	
Workbook Assignments = 10%	
Weekly Quizzes:	30%
Major Exams:	25%
Final Exam:	20%

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Dana, H.F. and J.R. Mantey. A Manual Grammar of the Greek New Testament. New York: The Macmillan Company, 1955.

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Kaufman, Paul K. An Introductory Grammar of New Testament Greek. Palm Springs, CA: Ronald N. Haynes Publishers, Inc., 1982.

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**SPECIFIC DATA**

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