



**Introductory Greek Grammar: NTGK5300**  
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**Biblical Studies Division**  
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### **Mission Statement**

The mission of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary is to equip leaders to fulfill the Great Commission and the Great Commandments through the local church and its ministries.

### **Core Value Focus**

The seminary has five core values: Doctrinal Integrity, Spiritual Vitality, Mission Focus, Characteristic Excellence, and Servant Leadership. The core value focus for this academic year is servant leadership.

### **Curriculum Competencies**

All graduates of NOBTS are expected to have at least a minimum level of competency in each of the following areas: Biblical Exposition, Christian Theological Heritage, Disciple Making, Interpersonal Skills, Servant Leadership, Spiritual and Character Formation, and Worship Leadership. The curriculum competencies addressed in this course are Biblical Exposition.

### **Course Description**

This course is designed to teach the elements of Greek grammar to establish a foundational understanding of the language for exegesis of the Greek New Testament. Students who have more than 6 hours of college Greek may not receive credit for this course. Such students should consult with New Testament professors to determine the level at which they should enter the study of Greek in the seminary. Students in the language track are expected to take Intermediate Greek Grammar as their next Greek course. Introductory Greek Grammar is prerequisite for New Testament Greek Exegesis.

### **Student Learning Outcomes**

Upon completion of the semester the student will:

- Be familiar with the grammatical concepts related to the Greek noun and verb systems
- Understand the importance of accurate translation for biblical interpretation and teaching/preaching
- Demonstrate proficiency in Greek translation by completing out of class translation exercises and participating in in-class activities
- Recognize the importance of proper biblical interpretation in carrying out the Great Commission

## **Textbooks**

Greek New Testament (either UBS 5 or NA 28)

Mounce, William D. *Basics of Biblical Greek: Grammar*, 3d ed. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2009.

\_\_\_\_\_. *Basics of Biblical Greek: Workbook*, 3d ed. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2009.

Optional: Trenchard, Warren C. *The Complete Vocabulary Guide to the Greek New Testament*, revised ed. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1998.

## **Course Teaching Methodology**

The course will involve the following methodologies:

- The material for each lesson will be introduced in a lecture format.
- Students will read material in the assigned textbooks
- Students will practice the skills and reinforce the content discussed in class through daily translation assignments and classroom exercises, which will include small and large group activities

## **Course Requirements**

1. Daily quizzes will be given over the course of the semester and will come from the appropriate chapters in Mounce's grammar. Quizzes will come from the vocabulary and grammar for the assigned chapters. Students may earn partial credit for words missed on a vocabulary quiz by writing the word ten times and turning in the words by the next class meeting.
2. Students will be graded on their participation in class and their ability to interact with the material studied.
3. A grade will also be given for daily translation work, as well as other written work sheets that will be assigned occasionally. Full credit can only be received for work that is turned in on time; however, partial credit will be given for any written assignment that is turned in late.
4. Two sectional tests will be given. The tests will cover the grammar and translation since the last test.
5. A comprehensive final exam will be given at the time assigned by the Seminary. The exam will cover both grammar and translation and parsing.

## **Evaluation of Grade**

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| 1. Quizzes                  | 15%      |
| 2. Class participation      | 15%      |
| 3. Daily Assignment         | 15%      |
| 4. Two sectional tests      | 15% each |
| 5. Comprehensive final exam | 25%      |

## **Technical Assistance**

For assistance regarding technology, consult ITC (504-816-8180) or the following websites:

1. [Selfserve@nobts.edu](mailto:Selfserve@nobts.edu) - Email for technical questions/support requests with the [Selfserve.nobts.edu](http://Selfserve.nobts.edu) site (Access to online registration, financial account, online transcript, etc.)
2. [BlackboardHelpDesk@nobts.edu](mailto:BlackboardHelpDesk@nobts.edu) - Email for technical questions/support requests with the NOBTS Blackboard Learning Management System [NOBTS.Blackboard.com](http://NOBTS.Blackboard.com).
3. [ITCSupport@nobts.edu](mailto:ITCSupport@nobts.edu) - Email for general technical questions/support requests.

4. [www.NOBTS.edu/itc/](http://www.NOBTS.edu/itc/) - General NOBTS technical help information is provided on this website.

### **Help for Writing Papers at “The Write Stuff”**

NOBTS maintains a Writing Center designed to improve English writing at the graduate level. Students can receive writing guides, tips, and valuable information to help in becoming a better writer.

### **Plagiarism on Written Assignments**

NOBTS has a no tolerance policy for plagiarism. Plagiarism in certain cases may result in expulsion from the seminary. See the NOBTS Student Handbook for definition, penalties, and policies associated with plagiarism.

### **Course Schedule**

#### Week 1: August 22, 24

T: Introduction to the course  
Read: chapters 1-4

Th: First and Second Declension Nouns

Read: chapters 5-6  
Workbook: Parsing: #6, 1-10  
Translation: #6, 1-4, 8, 10-11, 17  
Quiz

#### Week 2: August 29, 31

T: First and Second Declension Nouns  
Read: chapter 7  
Workbook: Parsing 1-10  
Translation: 1-3, 6, 8  
Quiz

Th: Prepositions and Adjectives

Read: chapters 8-9  
Workbook: Parsing: #9: 1-10  
Translation: #8: 3, 5, 9; #9: 12, 17  
Quiz

#### Week 3: September 5, 7

T: Third Declension Nouns  
Read: chapter 10  
Workbook: Parsing 1-10  
Translation: 1-3, 9, 13  
Quiz

Th: Pronouns: Personal

Read: chapters 11-12

Workbook: Parsing: #11-12: 1-10  
Translation: #11: 4, 7; #12: 6, 9, 15  
Greek Text: Jn. 1: 1-3  
Quiz

#### Week 4: September 12, 14

T: Pronouns: Demonstrative and Relative  
Read: chapters 13-14  
Workbook: Parsing: #13-14: 1-10;  
Review #3  
Translation: #13: 5, 16; #14: 6-8  
Greek Text: Jn. 1: 4-6  
Quiz

Th: **Sectional Test #1**

#### Week 5: September 19, 21

T: Verbs: Present Active Indicative  
Read: chapters 15-16  
Workbook: Parsing: #16: 1-10  
Translation: #16: 9-11, 13, 23  
Greek Text: Jn. 1: 7-9  
Quiz

Th: Verbs: Contract

Read: chapter 17  
Workbook: Parsing: #17: 1-10  
Translation: #17: 1-4  
Greek Text: Jn. 1: 10-14  
Quiz

Week 6: September 26, 28

T: Verbs: Present Mid/Pass Indicative

Read: Chapter 18

Workbook: Parsing: #18: 1-10

Translation: #18: 5-7, 9, 12

Greek Text: Jn. 1:15-18

Quiz

Th: Verbs: Future Active/Middle Indicative

Read: chapter 19

Workbook: Parsing: #19: 1-10

Translation: #19: 1-4

Greek Text: Jn. 3:1-3

Quiz

Week 7: October 3, 5

T: Verbal Roots and other futures

Read: chapter 20

Workbook: Parsing: #20: 1-10,  
Review #4

Translation: #20: 5-9

Greek Text: Jn. 3: 4-6

Quiz

Th: Verbs: Imperfect Act/Mid/Pass Indic.

Read: chapter 21

Workbook: Parsing: #21: 1-10

Translation: #21: 1-4, 11

Greek Text: Jn. 3: 7-9

Quiz

Week 8: October 10, 12

T: Verbs: Second Aorist Act/Mid Indic.

Read: chapter 22

Workbook: Parsing: #22: 1-10

Translation: #22: 6-10

Greek Text: Jn. 3: 10-13

Quiz

Th: Verbs: First Aorist Act/Mid Indicative

Read: chapter 23

Workbook: Parsing: #23: 1-10

Translation: 6-10

Greek Text: Jn. 3: 14-17

Quiz

**Fall Break: October 17, 19**

Week 9: October 24, 26

T: Verbs: Aorist & Future Pass Indicative

Read: chapter 24

Workbook: Parsing: #24: 1-10

Translation: #24: 5-9

Greek Text: Jn. 3: 18-21

Quiz

Th: Verbs: Perfect Active/Mid/Pass Indic.

Read: chapter 25

Workbook: Parsing: #25: 1-10

Translation: #25: 1, 2, 6, 7, 9

Greek Text: Mt. 5: 1-3

Quiz

Week 10: October 31, November 2

T: **Sectional Test #2**

Th: Verbs: Participles, Present Adverbial

Read: chapter 26-27

Workbook: Parsing: #27: 1-10,  
Review #5

Translation: #27: 6-10

Greek Text: Mt. 5: 4-6

Quiz

Week 11: November 7, 9

T: Verbs: Participles, Aorist Adverbial

Read: chapter 28

Workbook: Parsing: #28: 1-10

Translation: #28: 5-9

Greek Text: Mt. 5: 7-9

Quiz

Th: Verbs: Adjectival Participles

Read: chapter 29

Workbook: Parsing: #29: 1-10

Translation: #29: 6-10

Greek Text: Mt. 5: 10-12

Quiz

Week 12: November 14, 16

T: Verbs: Perfect Part. & Genitive Absolute

Read: chapter 30

Workbook: Parsing: #30: 1-10  
Translation: #30: 5-9  
Greek Text: 1 Jn. 1: 1-4  
Quiz

Workbook: Parsing: #33: 1-10  
Translation: #33: 1-6, 21  
Greek Text: 1 Jn. 2: 1-3  
Quiz

Th: Verbs: Subjunctive Mood  
Read: chapter 31  
Workbook: Parsing: #31: 1-10;  
Review #6  
Translation: #31: 7-9  
Greek Text: 1 Jn. 1: 5-7  
Quiz

Week 14: December 5, 7

T: Verbs: mi Verbs  
Read: chapters 34  
Workbook: Parsing: #34: 1-10  
Translation: #34: 1-5  
Greek Text: 1 Jn. 2: 4-6  
Quiz

**Thanksgiving Break: November 21, 23**

Week 13: November 29, 30

T: Verbs: Infinitives  
Read: chapter 32  
Workbook: Parsing: #32: 1-10  
Translation: #32: 4, 5, 7, 10, 16  
Greek Text: 1 Jn. 1: 8-10  
Quiz

Th: Verbs: mi Verbs  
Read: chapters 35  
Workbook: Parsing: #35: 1-10  
Translation: #35: 1, 2, 6-8  
Greek Text: 1 Jn. 2: 7-10  
Quiz

Week 15: Thurs., December 14, 9:00-11:00

**Final Exam**

Th: Verbs: Imperatives  
Read: chapter 33

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