

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
NTGK6300 Intermediate Greek Grammar for Exegesis Online
Spring 2015 Semester Syllabus

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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

Annually, the President will designate a core value that will become the focus of pedagogy for the year. For the 2014-2015 academic year, that Core Value is *Spiritual Vitality*. Our core values also include: *Doctrinal Integrity*, *Mission Focus*, *Characteristic Excellence*, and *Servant Leadership*.

Course Description

This course is designed to augment the student's grasp of Greek grammar as presented in the introductory course and to advance the student's understanding of the exegetical significance of New Testament Greek. Intermediate Greek, while helpful to any student wishing to go further in understanding New Testament Greek, is required for language track students. Intermediate Greek Grammar for Exegesis is prerequisite for Advanced Greek Exegesis; Advanced Greek Grammar; Readings in Hellenistic Literature; and Textual Criticism of the Greek New Testament.

Student Learning Outcomes

- Students should understand the categories and functions of Greek grammar
- Students should gain an increased appreciation for how the study of Greek enhances Biblical interpretation
- Students should acquire the ability to translate most any text in the Greek New Testament and apply this analysis to sound interpretation of the text

Required Texts

1. James A. Brooks and Carlton L. Winbery. *A Morphology of New Testament Greek: A Review and Reference Grammar*. Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 1994.
2. Gerald L. Stevens. *New Testament Greek Intermediate: From Morphology to Translation*. Eugene, OR: Cascade Books, 2008.
3. Warren C. Trenchard. *Complete Vocabulary Guide to the Greek New Testament*. Rev. ed. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1998.

4. United Bible Society's 4th or 5th rev. ed. of *The Greek New Testament with Dictionary*

Course Requirements

- The student will read the required texts for the course
- The student will read, translate, and locate selected biblical passages
- The student will record themselves quoting a memory verse and memory passage in Greek
- The student will take a total of ten vocabulary quizzes based on word frequency lists in Trenchard
- The student will take three sectional exams, the last of which will be the final
- The student will participate in threaded discussions in a meaningful way. Various grammatical and exegetical topics will be posted for interaction.

Course Evaluation

Blackboard Discussions	20%
Translation and Location	20%
Vocabulary Quizzes & Recordings	30%
Sectional Exams & Final	30%

Netiquette Statement on Appropriate Online Behavior

Each student is expected to demonstrate appropriate Christian behavior when working online on the Discussion Board. The student is expected to interact with other students in a fashion that will promote learning and respect for the opinions of others in the course. A spirit of Christian charity will be expected at all times in the online environment.

Extra Credit

Students may earn extra points on their quiz average and final average. See Unit 6 and Unit 12 for extra credit opportunities. Also, students may earn 2 points on their final average if they read through *Devotions on the Greek New Testament: 52 Reflections to Inspire & Instruct*, eds. J. Scott Duvall & Verlyn D. Verbrugge. This inexpensive devotional book from Zondervan can help you to integrate your Greek translation skills into your devotional life, guiding you to a deeper understanding of the New Testament.

Embedded Assignment

Selected parts of the final exam are an embedded assignment that will be completed by all students for all sections of this course. The rubric for grading this assignment is attached to this syllabus. Please complete the assignment according to this rubric.

Getting Started (Intro-Week)

- Review the syllabus and ask questions if you have any. Go to *Communication: Discussion Board* and use the *General Questions* forum, or simply e-mail your professor
- Go to Blackboard- *Introduction*
 - Read *Please Read First* and *Tips on Becoming a Great Online Student*
 - *Welcome & Introductions* – Watch the course welcome and introduction videos and participate in the *Personal Introductions* blog
 - *Faculty* – Get to know your course instructor
- Go to Blackboard-*Course Files: Course Documents* then download and read the *Student Help Guide for Posting Greek in Blackboard*. If you have not done so already, be sure to download the TekniaGreek font as this will be required to take quizzes and exams, and participate in the Unit Discussion Board Assignments

Weekly Routine

- **Click** on the appropriate Learning Unit(s) and complete the appropriate tasks.
- **Listen** to the appropriate *Unit Overview*.
- **Read** the appropriate page numbers and chapters in the required texts.
- **Read, translate, and locate** the appropriate biblical passages. Assignments must be turned in by Saturday 11:59 p.m. (Click on *Unit Reading Assignment* and submit your file to turn in assignment).
- **Participate** in the *Unit Discussion Board Assignment* (Grammar & Exegesis). Provide at least one post for each of the forums and at least one response to other students in either the Grammar or Exegesis forums.
- **Study** the appropriate vocabulary words and **take** the *Unit Vocabulary Quiz* by Thursday 11:59 p.m. when applicable.
- **Take** *Sectional Exams* by Saturday 11:59 p.m. when applicable.
- **Record** your *Memory Verse* and *Memory Passage* by Saturday 11:59 p.m. when applicable.
- **Download & Review** the *Unit Handouts* when applicable. Unit handouts include exam review guides, grammatical aids, and tools for exegesis.
- **Participate** in the three blogs when applicable: *Personal Introductions*, *Personal Reflections*, and *Prayer Requests*. The blogs can also be found under the *Communication: Getting to Know You* tab on the course menu.

Course Schedule

Date	Unit Assignment	Quiz/Exam
Intro Week: Jan. 20-24	See "Getting Started" section in syllabus	
Week 1: Jan. 25-31	Unit 1: Alphabet; Accents; First Declension Nouns	
Week 2: Feb. 1-7	Unit 2: Second Declension Nouns	Unit 2 Vocab Quiz
Week 3: Feb. 8-14	Unit 3: Third Declension Nouns; Adjectives	Unit 3 Vocab Quiz
Week 4: Feb. 15-21	Unit 4: Adjectives as Comparisons; The Greek Article; Personal & Demonstrative Pronouns	Unit 4 Vocab Quiz
Week 5: Feb. 22-28	Unit 5: Relative, Reflexive, & Possessive Pronouns	Unit 5 Vocab Quiz Memory Verse Due
Week 6: Mar. 1-7	Unit 6: Indefinite & Interrogative Pronouns; Numerals; Prepositions	Unit 6 Vocab Quiz
Week 7: Mar. 8-14	Unit 7: Introduction to the Verb System; Present Tense	Sectional Exam One
Week 8: Mar. 15-21	Unit 8: Imperfect & Future Tense	Unit 8 Vocab Quiz
Week 9: Mar. 22-28	Spring Break	Relax
Week 10: Mar. 29-Apr. 4	Unit 9: Aorist Tense – First & Second Aorist	Unit 9 Vocab Quiz
Week 11: Apr. 5-11	Unit 10: Perfect & Pluperfect Tense; Contract & Liquid Verbs	Sectional Exam Two
Week 12: Apr. 12-18	Unit 11: Subjunctive & Optative Mood	Unit 11 Vocab Quiz Memory Passage Due
Week 13: Apr. 19-25	Unit 12: Imperative Mood; Conditional Sentences	Unit 12 Vocab Quiz
Week 14: Apr. 26-May 2	Unit 13: Infinitives; Participles – Present & Future	Unit 13 Vocab Quiz
Week 15: May 3-9	Unit 14: Participles – Aorist & Perfect	
Final Exam Due May 13th, 11:59 p.m.		Extra Credit Due

**COMPETENCY ASSESSMENT RUBRIC – EMBEDDED ASSIGNMENT
EXEGETICAL PROJECT
NTGK 6300 INTERMEDIATE GREEK GRAMMAR FOR EXEGESIS**

Student _____ **Site** _____ **Format** _____ **Semester** _____

Student Learning Outcomes:

1. The student will understand the vocabulary and grammatical principles needed to translate and interpret the Greek NT
2. The student will demonstrate the application of the grammatical concepts to the translation of the Greek NT
3. The student will be able to communicate clearly the meaning of selected NT passages based on a grammatical exegesis of the Greek text

Assignment Description:

1. Demonstrate a competency with Greek vocabulary on the translation portions of the final exam.
2. Identify accurately the grammatical structures in the translation of selected NT texts on the final exam.
3. Communicate the exegetical meaning of selected Greek NT passages on the final exam.

DOMAIN	LEVEL	INADEQUATE (0 POINTS)	BASIC (1 POINT)	COMPETENT (2 POINTS)	GOOD (3 POINTS)	EXCELLENT (4 POINTS)
UNDERSTANDING The Student:	Understands the vocabulary and grammatical principles needed to translate the Greek New Testament					
APPLICATION The Student:	Applies the grammatical concepts to the translation of the Greek NT					
COMMUNICATION The Student:	Communicates clearly the exegetical meaning of the Greek NT based on a grammatical analysis of selected texts					

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