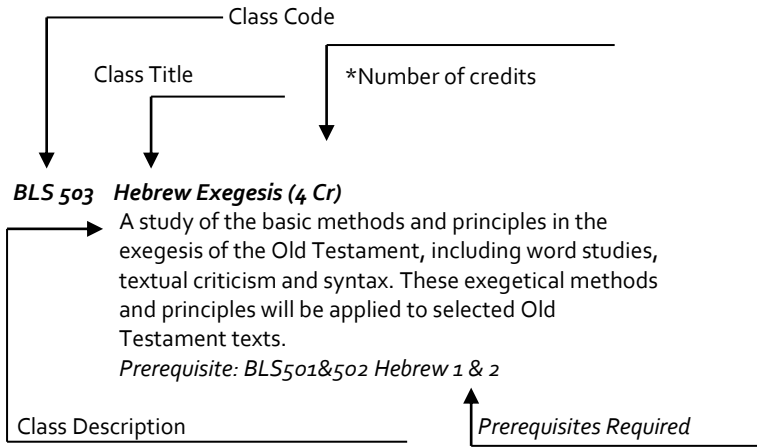


# CLASS DESCRIPTION

## CLASS DESCRIPTION KEY



\*All classes are offered as 4 credits, unless otherwise stated.

## CLASS NUMBERING SYSTEM

The following alpha-numeric system of class numbering is used:

The first three letters indicate the category of studies.

BLS: Biblical & Language Studies

THS: Theological & Historical Studies

ICS: Intercultural Studies

LMC: Leadership, Ministry, Communication

PCM: Pastoral Counselling

The first numeric digit which follows the letters indicates the class level:

4: Classes in the Bachelor level

5: Classes in the Master level

The last two numeric digits refer to class sequence. For example:

BLS 503 Hebrew Exegesis

The first three letters "BLS" indicates that this class is in Biblical and Language Studies category. The first numeric digit "5" indicates that this is a Master level class. The last two numeric digits "03" indicates the sequence within class categories or sub-categories.

# BIBLICAL AND LANGUAGE STUDIES (BLS)

## 401 Biblical Foundations (4 cr)

This class focuses on a foundational knowledge and understanding of the Bible including composition and authorship of the Bible, structure of the Bible, relationship of Old Testament and New Testament, authority and reliability of the Bible, centrality of Christ in the Bible, importance of the Bible in Christian living and ministry.

## 500 Biblical Interpretation(4 cr)

This is an introduction to the principles of biblical interpretation, with emphasis on learning how to read, interpret, and apply the various genres of the Bible to our lives. *Prerequisite: English Grammar Review Seminar*

## HEBREW STUDIES

### 501 Hebrew 1 (4 cr)

This is an introduction to the elements of Hebrew grammar, including morphology, basic declensions, conjugations, and syntax, with attention to vocabulary building, translation, and grammatical diagramming.

### 502 Hebrew 2 (4 cr)

This is a continuation of the study of the elements of Hebrew grammar, including morphology, basic declensions, conjugations, and syntax. *Prerequisite: BLS 501 Hebrew 1*





### 503 Hebrew Exegesis (4 cr)

This is a study of the basic methods and principles in the exegesis of the Old Testament, including word studies, textual criticism and syntax. These exegetical methods and principles will be applied to selected Old Testament texts. *Prerequisite: BLS 501 & 502 Hebrew 1 & 2*

### 504 Using Hebrew Resources (4cr)

This covers an overview of biblical Hebrew grammar and syntax, and an introduction to language tools (including computer aids) in understanding basic Hebrew. This class is not for students who are taking Hebrew I, II, and Hebrew Exegesis. *Prerequisites: BLS 500 Biblical Interpretations*

## **GREEK STUDIES**

### 511 Greek 1 (4 cr)

This class introduces the student to elements of Greek grammar, including morphology, basic declensions, conjugations, and syntax. Attention will be given to vocabulary building, translation, and grammatical diagramming. *Prerequisite: English Grammar Review Seminar*

### 512 Greek 2 (4 cr)

This is a continuation of the study of the elements of Greek grammar, including morphology, basic declensions, conjugations, and syntax. *Prerequisite: BLS 511 Greek 1*  
*Prerequisite: BLS 511*



### 513 Greek Exegesis (4 cr)

This is a study of the basic methods and principles in the exegesis of the New Testament, including word studies, textual criticism and syntax. These exegetical methods and principles will be applied to selected New Testament texts. *Prerequisite:* BLS 511 & 512 Greek 1 & 2

## **OLD TESTAMENT STUDIES**

### 521 Old Testament 1: Genesis-

Esther (4 cr) This class looks into the formation and background of the Old Testament, and the covenant narrative from Genesis through Esther, with attention given to various critical issues of their backgrounds, theological themes, and relevance to Christians today.

### 522 Old Testament 2: Job-Malachi

(4 cr) This is a study of the prophetic books and poetic writings of the Old Testament. Attention is given to the various critical issues of their backgrounds, theological themes, and relevance to Christians today.

### 530-49 Old Testament Seminars

(4 cr) Scholars bring special expertise in an area of Old Testament studies to enrich the usual classes.

## **NEW TESTAMENT STUDIES**

### 551 New Testament 1: Gospels &

Acts (4 cr) The formation and background of the New Testament, the four Gospel accounts, and Acts in the light of their historical and literary contexts. Attention is given to critical issues of their backgrounds, theological themes, and their relevance to

552 New Testament 2:  
Epistles & Revelation (4 cr)

This is a study of the New Testament epistles and Revelation in the light of their socio-historical context. Attention is given to various critical issues of their backgrounds, theological themes, and their relevance to Christians today.

---

*SYNOPTIC STUDIES*

556 Matthew/557 Mark/  
558 Luke-Acts (4 cr)

This is a close reading of a selected gospel. Emphasis is given to the structure, theology and major themes of the selected gospel and its theological significance today.

---

*PAULINE STUDIES*

561 Romans/562 Corinthians/  
563 Pastoral Epistles (4 cr)

This class focuses on selected Pauline epistle(s) in the light of socio-historical context. Emphasis is given to the major theological issues in the epistle(s) and their relevance to the present-day church.

---

*JOHANNINE STUDIES*

571 John 572 Johannine  
Epistles/573 Revelation (4 cr)

This is a study of selected Johannine writing(s) in the light of its socio-historical context. Emphasis will be given to its theological significance for the church today.

---

*GENERAL STUDIES*

583 Hebrews/584 James (4 cr)

This class focuses on the General Epistle(s), with emphasis on its significance to the church today.





# **THEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL STUDIES (THS)**

## **401 Doctrine Survey (4 cr)**

This class focuses on biblical understanding and conviction concerning the major doctrines of the Christian faith, including the doctrines of: God, person and work of Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, the Bible, man and sin, the church, death and resurrection, and future things.

## **402 Spiritual Life and Growth (4 cr)**

A study on principles of spiritual growth and a vital spiritual life. It includes: assurance of salvation, growing in the Christian life, being filled with and walking in the Holy Spirit, discerning God's leading in our lives, and fellowship with other believers. There will be application on understanding and applying these principles in one's life.

## **403 Prayer and Christian Disciplines (4 cr)**

A study on biblical principles, and the practice of prayer and Christian disciplines, including: personal prayer life; small group and corporate prayer; reading, studying, meditating, and applying Scripture; stewardship; worship and confession; and disciplines such as solitude, fasting, simplicity, and service.

## **500 Spiritual Transformation and Warfare (4 cr)**

This class examines how God's salvation is worked out in our Christian life to transform us, and provides biblical and practical instruction concerning the believer's involvement in spiritual warfare, and how to resist and overcome demonic influence. Students learn a biblical worldview of the unseen spirit world, the position and authority they have in Christ, and how to help people find freedom in Christ.



### 501 Church History (4 cr)

This is an overview and interpretative study of Church History from the early church to the present, with emphasis on the major movements that influenced the development of the church and ways that the church made an impact on the world. Attention will be given to issues behind various movements and revivals, and the lessons for Christians today.

### 502 Theology 1: God, Man, and Christ (4 cr)

This is a systematic study of God and creation, revelation and the Bible, man and sin, and the person and work of Jesus Christ. Related contemporary issues will be evaluated in order to arrive at a sound, evangelical understanding of the subject matter.

### 503 Theology 2: The Spirit, Church, and Last Things (4 cr)

This is a systematic study of the Holy Spirit, the church, and the last things. Related contemporary issues will be evaluated in order to arrive at a sound, evangelical understanding of the subject matter.

### 504 Christian Apologetics and Worldviews (4 cr)

This class considers what worldviews are and their significance to the individual and society. Religious and non-religious options like existentialism, New Age, Buddhism, Animism, and post-modernism will be introduced.

### 505 New Testament Theology (4 cr)

This is an examination of the major theological themes of the New Testament in light of their historical-cultural contexts. Attention will be given to history, methodology, and presuppositions.

### **506 Old Testament Theology (4 cr)**

This is an examination of the theological framework of the Old Testament. Special attention is given to understanding the kingdom of God in the Old Testament and how to seek first God's kingdom and His righteousness in contemporary society.

### **530-49 Theology/History Seminars**

(4 cr) Scholars bring special expertise in an area of Theological or Historical studies to enrich the usual classes.

### **551 Ethical Issues in Asia (4 cr)**

This is a study of the basic ethical principles derived from Scriptures to resolve various critical issues confronting Christians ministering in Asia today.

## **INTERCULTURAL STUDIES (ICS)**

### **401 Cross-Cultural Ministry (4 cr)**

Focuses on serving in a cross-cultural ministry and developing a ministry with people of a different culture. It includes: ministry concentration with people of another culture, sharing the gospel with and discipling people of other cultural backgrounds, and involvement with a church or churches of a different culture.

### **501 World Mission (4 cr)**

This is an introduction to the biblical, historical, cultural, and strategic perspectives of world mission. Special emphasis is given to the historical development of the expansion of Christianity, the people and missionary methods employed, and lessons for today. Major issues in the mission movement and what God is doing around the world today are examined.





**502 Intercultural Communication (2 cr)** Students will learn the complexity of communicating the gospel cross-culturally through experiential learning activities. They will acquire tools for studying a host culture and learn how to communicate the gospel in a culturally relevant manner.

**503 Religions of Asia (2 cr)** This class focuses on beliefs and practices of the adherents of the major non-Christian religions of Asia as well as New Age beliefs and practices. Suggestions on sharing the claims of Christ with those from each of the various non-Christian religions examined will be given.

**504 Cross-cultural Adjustment (4 cr)** This class uses game theory, case studies, and active student participation to impart essential concepts and skills for cross-cultural living and ministry. There is focus on personal and interpersonal adjustment, and relationships.

**505 Missionary Anthropology (4 cr)** A study of the dynamics of culture and their effects on people and mission. Students will be guided through topics like culture and worldview, cultural identities of missionaries, and anthropological methodologies that are helpful on the mission field. *Prerequisite: MIS 502 Intercultural Communication*

**506 Church Planting and Growth (2 cr)** A study of principles of cross-cultural church planting, with emphasis on developing a master plan for planting a new church or ministry. Discussions include biblical foundation, analysis of a target group, roles and responsibilities of planters, teamwork, and developing leaders. *Prerequisite: LMC 522 Church and Ministry Growth*



### 507 Contextualization (4 cr)

This class surveys trends in the contextualization of theology and ministry, and identifies themes and methods appropriate for evangelicals in Asia. Students will identify context related issues in order to develop effective strategies to effectively communicate the gospel cross-culturally. *Prerequisite: LMC 502 Intercultural Communications*

### 508 Tentmaking (4 cr)

This class presents the tentmaking strategy (bi-vocational missions) as an essential means to help fulfil the Great Commission in creative access nations. Students study the biblical basis for tentmaking, evaluate their personal readiness, and develop a personal plan to prepare themselves for successful ministry in a host culture.

### 509 Missionary Care (4 cr)

This class examines some of the biblical basis for the development of missionary care. It also explores and evaluates strategies to help build the resilience and effectiveness of missionaries, and provide appropriate support and care of missionaries and their children.

### 510 Urban Ministry (2 cr)

This class examines the biblical understanding of cities, the phenomenal growth of cities through the centuries, and issues in urbanization. It also deals with the analysis of urban people groups and their needs, and how we can develop principles and strategies to evangelize and minister to city-dwellers, especially in Asia.

### 520-49 Inter-Cultural Studies Seminars (4 cr)

Scholars bring special expertise in an area of Inter-Cultural studies.



## **LEADERSHIP, MINISTRY, AND COMMUNICATION (LMC)**

### **401 Evangelism (4 cr)**

This class looks at principles and methods of sharing the gospel personally and in groups, and includes: sharing the gospel and assurance of salvation, helping people to a decision, motivating new believers to become involved with other Christians, planning and setting up evangelistic meetings, preparing and giving a personal testimony and evangelistic messages, and following up on new converts. Application involves participation in evangelism and evangelistic meetings.

### **402 Discipleship (4 cr)**

This class focuses on principles and methods of establishing new believers in the faith. It includes: helping new or young Christians understand their identity in Christ, the ministry of the Holy Spirit, the importance of prayer, study of God's Word, and involvement in a local church. Focus will be on using small groups to nurture and build disciples, importance of spiritual multiplication to build spiritual movements, and motivating believers to participate in Christian conferences, church camps, and retreats for growth and vision.

### **403 Leading and Teaching Groups (4 cr)**

This class focuses on the principles and practice of leading and teaching in small group Bible studies, Sunday school classes, and prayer groups. It includes: building relationship with group members, group dynamics, planning and conducting group meetings, choosing appropriate content or materials and formulating objectives for the group, and using various methods to teach or lead groups.

### **404 Personal Development (4 cr)**

This class covers planning for and implementing personal development and ministry. It includes: identifying one's strengths and weakness; formulating plans and objectives for personal development; evaluating one's development and ministry; developing and implementing personal ministry plans and strategies; personal time management; and determining God's direction in one's life and ministry.

### **405 Christian Service (4 cr)**

This class focuses on issues and challenges of a wide range of ministry in the church or para-church settings such as helping behind the scenes with a ministry, song leading, emceeing a meeting, analyzing an audience, preparing and giving messages, giving counsel or comfort, and serving on a short-term mission team.

### **406 Specialized Ministries (4 cr)**

This class applies principles of evangelism, discipleship and ministry to target groups or special types of ministry. It includes: identifying characteristics of a target group; principles, methods, and strategies in ministering to target groups; and utilizing a specialized ministry with various groups. Application involves participation with a target group or a specialized ministry, e.g., youth group or music ministry, over an extended period of time.





#### **407 Fund Raising (4 cr)**

This study covers the biblical basis of raising funds, the integration of faith and action in fund raising, the relationship between raising funds and ministering to those who give. Application includes raising and maintaining one's financial support in the church, or for Christian causes or ministries.

#### **408 Ministry Development and Leadership (4 cr)**

This is a study on how to develop an effective ministry, and includes: formulating ministry plans and objectives; helping to lead, organize, delegate, and manage; how to evaluate a ministry and make adjustments; and training and equipping others in ministry.

#### **442 English for Seminarians 1**

**(12 cr)** This class will develop the English ability of students for whom English is a second language. Attention is given to grammar, reading, speaking and writing within the context of Christian themes and topics. Credits earned for this class are not applied toward a master's degree.

#### **443 English for Seminarians 2**

**(12 cr)** A continuation class for English for Seminarians 1

#### **445 English Coaching for Seminarians**

**(2 cr)** This is a personalized one-to-one coaching for students who need help with their English while undertaking course work at EAST.

#### **447 English Coaching for Seminarians (4 cr)**

This is an extended personalized one-to-one coaching for students who need help with their English.

### 452 Effective Reading (2 cr)

This class helps the students acquire basic skills for effective analysis of written material. Students will apply these skills in their reading, research and preparation of written papers and oral presentations.

### 453 Creative and Critical Thinking (2 cr)

This class is designed to help students develop creative and critical thinking. Activities and projects are designed to help stimulate students apply creative and critical thinking in their ministries and interests.

## **LEADERSHIP**

---

### 501 Christian Leadership (2 cr)

This is an exploration of Christian leadership in Christian faith communities. Emphasis is on the development of a biblical understanding of what spiritual leadership is, and personal evaluation of oneself in the developmental process of a leader.

### 502 Christian Management (2 cr)

This is a study of the development and management of Christian learning organizations, with emphasis on the seven disciplines for dynamic learning organizations: spiritual vitality, relational vitality, personal mastery, systems thinking, mental models, shared vision, and team learning.





### 503 Human Resource Development (2 cr)

This is a study of the development and management of human resources, with attention on both people's and organizational needs, and how they can be met through appropriate recruitment, selection, placement, organization, development, training, career planning, and care of personnel.

### 510-19 Leadership Seminars (4cr)

Scholars bring special expertise in an area of leadership to enrich the usual classes.

## **MINISTRY**

### 521 Advanced Evangelism and Discipleship

(4cr) An examination of the biblical understanding of evangelism and discipleship in contrast to some current views and practices. Emphasis is given to the development of practical ideas and strategy for evangelistic and discipleship ministries.

### 522 Church and Ministry Growth (2 cr)

This study focuses on the 15 multi-dimensional growth principles that apply to any church or Christian ministry. In light of these principles, students will do growth-focused diagnosis of their own ministry and church.

### 530-32 Field Practicum 1A/1B/1C (2 cr

each) The Field Education program allows students to apply what they learn in the classroom in the context of an on-going ministry. Its aim is integration of academic studies, ministry and life, and is compulsory for all program students after their first year at EAST.

### 533-35 Field Practicum 2A/2B/2C (2 cr

each) A continuation of Field Practicum 1

### 536-38 Field Practicum 3A/3B/3C (2 cr

each) A continuation of Field Practicum 2

### 539 Cross-Cultural Internship (3 cr)

This is when the student spends four weeks in a cross-cultural or multicultural setting, focusing on evangelism and disciple building related ministry.

### 540 Vocational Internship (3 cr)

This internship allows students exposure and opportunities for hands-on ministry in their chosen area of emphasis. Students spend around four weeks working under the supervision of a mentor during the internship, which may be done overseas or locally.

### 545-49 Ministry Seminars (4cr)


Scholars bring special expertise in an area of ministry to enrich the usual classes.

## **COMMUNICATION**

### 551 Effective Written Communication (2 cr)

This class focuses on the principles of effective written communication including background research, arrangement of material, and good form and style. Focus will be on the basic mechanics and standards for the writing of term papers and reports, and personal newsletters.





## 552 Public Speaking and Preaching (2 cr)

The class focuses on the different stages of the communication process to effectively communicate their message to different audiences. Each student will plan, prepare, and deliver speeches and messages and be evaluated by the faculty.

## 553 Biblical Preaching (4 cr)

This class on the methodology and practice of biblical preaching will emphasize the planning, writing, and delivery of expository sermons from the different genres. Students will deliver messages in class and be evaluated by fellow students and the instructor.

*Prerequisites: BLS500 Biblical Interpretation, LMC 552 Public Speaking and Preaching*

## 560-69 Communication Seminars (4 cr)

Scholars bring special expertise in an area of communication studies to enrich the usual classes.

## 571 Teaching (2 cr)

This is an exploration of the students' readiness for teaching in Christian faith communities. Emphasis is given to the development of a biblical understanding of the ministry of teaching and the acquisition of skills for preparing class syllabus and lesson plans, with measurable objectives and desirable outcomes, and evaluation. *Prerequisite: BLS 500 Biblical Interpretation*


## 572 Christian Education (4cr)

This is an introduction to the intentional educational processes in the total life of Christian learning communities, with emphasis on the development of an integrated theological and interdisciplinary view of education in a Christian leaning community.

## 573 Advanced Teaching (4cr)

This is an examination of the teaching and learning process in Christian education context, with emphasis on the development of quality teaching through preparation, presentation, assessment, and evaluation.

*Prerequisite: BLS 571 Teaching*



### 574 Teaching Practicum

(4 cr) This practicum is an option for advanced students to teach in a Christian learning community under the supervision of a faculty. Attention is given to the professional, emotional, and spiritual development of the student in the context of a teaching ministry.

### 575 Christian Education Seminar (4 cr)

Scholars bring special expertise in an area of Christian Education studies to enrich the usual classes.

---

## **PASTORAL COUNSELLING (PCM)**

### 500 Character Development

(2 cr) This class deals with the various stages of character development, and provides the students with a means of evaluating their spiritual and emotional development. Tools and skills to monitor and facilitate Christian growth and character will be given.

### 501 Personal Assessment

(2 cr) This class is designed to enable participants to better understand their interests, personalities, gifts, abilities, dispositions, and temperaments in order to identify and implement their personal growth and development.

### 502 Basic Pastoral Counselling

(2 cr) An overview of the ministry of pastoral counselling. Students will be equipped with relevant skills in counselling through active participation from an integrated biblical perspective.



### 503 Counselling Theory (2 cr)

This class examines the various Christian and secular counselling modalities, why problems develop, and how they can be dealt with in appropriate and effective ways from a biblical viewpoint.

### 504 Counselling Methods and Techniques (4 cr)

This class focuses on the breadth and scope of pastoral counselling. It provides an integrated approach to counselling, considering biblical principles and social sciences in developing counselling skills.

### 505 Crisis Counselling (2 cr)

This exposes students to the biblical approach to crisis counselling, how to recognize the stages of a crisis and the steps to move a person through a crisis. Students will practice using Scriptures to assist a person in crisis.

### 506 Mental Health in Ministry

(2 cr) An introduction to the various classifications of mental illness and problems one may encounter in a counselling setting. Students will learn the terminology of psychopathology and make appropriate referrals to utilize the resources of the body of Christ. *Prerequisite: PCM 504 Counselling Methods and Techniques*

### 507 Group Counselling (2 cr)

Students are led to discover biblical solutions to life problems in a group setting. The class aims to help the student apply God's Word to emotional, spiritual, and relational needs. Group discussions each week help the student examine and experience God's transforming work in counselling.



### 508 Human Growth and Development (2 cr)

This study focuses on the stages of normal human development, and explores the relationship between educational and developmental psychology and spiritual development. Emphasis is on its implications to a Christian's growth towards maturity.

### 510 Christian Marriage and Family (2 cr)

A comprehensive study of the major biblical precepts relating to Christian marriage and family, and predominant issues Christian parents face today. Students are equipped with resources to successfully develop his or her marriage and family, and teach these principles to others.

### 511 Premarital and Marriage Counselling (4 cr)

Christian premarital counselling and the issues found in pastoral counselling of married couples. Emphasis is on biblical perspectives of marriage, and the prevention, intervention and resolution of marital problems.

*Prerequisite: PCM 504  
Counselling Methods and Techniques*



### 512 Family Counselling

(2 cr) This class focuses on a biblical counselling approach to common problems in families and family relationships. Students will learn to recognize and understand family dysfunctions, how various family members relate to one another, why they do so, and how to help bring healing and resolution to family problems. *Prerequisite: PCM 504 Counselling Methods and Techniques*

### 513 Counselling Practicum (4 cr)

This practicum focuses on small group discussion of actual counselling cases under peer supervision and instructor mentoring. Emphasis is on how to effectively apply biblical truths and counselling principles.

### 514 Cross-Cultural Counselling (2 cr)

This class examines cross-cultural principles and their application in pastoral counselling ministry in the Asian context. Participants will learn to be aware of and sensitive to people from a different culture. *Prerequisite: PCM 504 Counselling Methods and Techniques*