SPECIAL TOPIC ON BIBLICAL STUDIES I: METHODS AND BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION

2018-2019 First term Fri 7:00pm-9:30pm ELB 205 [Programs: BA]

Course Code: THEO3213

Title in English: Special Topic on Biblical Studies I: Methods and Biblical Interpretation

Title in Chinese: 聖經研究: 專題研究 I: 方法與聖經詮釋

Course Description:

Biblical interpretation does not happen in a vacuum. Every interpretive act involves the text, the reader, and its signifying context, including that of the writer(s) and that of the reader, defined by the complex web of social, cultural, political, and even psychological forces. This course covers some major methods used in the critical study of the Bible (with a focus on the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament) from the late nineteenth century to the early twenty-first century, including the historical-critical methods, literary criticism, and reader-centered approaches. It examines the tasks, presuppositions, and reading strategies of various exegetical methods, and evaluates each's weaknesses and strengths.

Learning Outcomes:

After completing this course, students should be able to:

- Describe and compare various critical methods of biblical studies
- Deepen their awareness of how the writer's and interpreter's social, cultural, political, and even psychological contexts may affect the process of signification
- Demonstrate a familiarity of the current approaches to biblical interpretation
- Be able to apply at least seven of the critical methods in their reading of the biblical texts
- Be able to formulate their own intersectional and interdisciplinary approach to biblical interpretation

Learning Activities:

The course consists mainly of lectures, interwoven with class discussion, independent reading, class presentation, and research activities. The time allocation (per week) of the learning activities is as follows:

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Lecture		Class and Web-		Group		Reading and		Written	
		Based Discussion		Presentation		Research		Assignments	
In class	Out of	In class	Out of	In class	Out of	In class	Out of	In class	Out of
	Class		Class		Class		Class		Class
1.5 hrs		0.25 hr	1 hr	0.5 hr	0.25 hr		3 hrs		1 hrs
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M: Mandatory activity in the course O: Optional activity									

Assessment Scheme:

Task nature	Purpose	Learning Outcomes
Student Presentation	To facilitate the students'	Students are to work
(20%)	critical review of the reading	independently and give a 15-
	materials and the exchanges of	minute PowerPoint presentation
The PowerPoint presentation and handout due by 6:00pm on the presentation day on the	ideas among them.	on one of the assigned topics marked with an asterisk (*) in the course schedule. Each presenter is required to give a
procession day on the		summary of the week's reading

Blackboard Discussion		materials and describe the key	
Forum.		figures, key terms, the basic	
		assumptions, task, questions	
		raised, reading strategies, and/or	
		issues entailed in each method.	
		Each presenter is to prepare a	
		handout of his/her/hir	
		presentation of no more than 2	
		pages.	
7 Exegetical Papers	To evaluate the students' ability	Select seven out of the	
(70%; @10%)	to critically apply the exegetical	exegetical methods marked with	
	methods and to analyze and	a pound sign (#) in the course	
The list of selected	critique the methods' strengths	schedule. Apply each selected	
methods is due on Sept 14	and weaknesses.	method to a biblical passage of	
in class.		the student's choice (about 10–	
		15 verses) and write a short	
Each paper due at 7:00pm		exegetical paper of 1000–1300	
on the day prior to the		words.	
corresponding lecture on			
Blackboard Discussion			
Forum and VeriGuide.			
Class Participation	1. To encourage learning	Students are required to	
(10%)	collaboration and exchanges	participate in the class discussion	
	of ideas among the	and the online discussion forum	
Blackboard Discussion	students, both in class and	by posting their questions,	
Forum Posts due by	through Blackboard's	critiques, and opinions on the	
11:59pm on the day prior	discussion forum.	methods and the exegetical	
to the corresponding	2. To consolidate the students'	papers posted by their	
lecture	understanding of the	classmates.	
	reading materials.		
	3. To develop critical attitude		
	toward the exegetical		
	methods.		
	4. To deepen students'		
	awareness of how an		
	interpreter's social		
	locations, including their		
	own, and presuppositions		
	affect the production of		
	meaning.		

Recommended Learning Resources:

Textbooks (required):

The Bible and Culture Collective. 1995. *The Postmodern Bible*. New Haven and London: Yale University Press. [**BCC**; CC BS476 .P67 1995; on reserve]

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Yee, Gale A., ed. 2007. *Judges & Method: New Approaches in Biblical Studies*. 2nd ed. Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press. [*J&M*; CC BS1305.52 .J83 2007; on reserve]

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Course Schedule:

Class	Date	Topic	Reading Assignments		
Week 1	Sept. 7 (F)	Introduction	Required: Barton 1996, 1-19; <i>J&M</i> , 1-18; BCC, 1-19 Recommended: Barton 1984; <i>TiC</i> , ch.1		
Week 2	Sept. 14 (F)	 Historical Criticism Textual Criticism * 	Required: 1. BCHB, ch.1; BIM, ch.5; TEIOM, 17-35; Brettler et al 2. MBI, 19-39 Recommended: 1. Yee 1995 2. McCarter		
Week 3	Sept. 21 (F)	3. Source Criticism *4. Form Criticism *#	Required: 3. <i>TEIOM</i> , 35-57; <i>BIM</i> , ch.1; Barton 1996, 20-29 4. <i>TEIOM</i> , 58-89; <i>BIM</i> , ch.2 Recommended: 3. <i>HB&IMI</i> , 128-36; Habel 4. Tucker ; Buss; Campbell		
Week 4	Sept. 28 (F)	5. Tradition- Historical Criticism *# 6. Redaction Criticism *	Required: 5. <i>TEIOM</i> , 90-104; <i>MBI</i> , 127-33; Knight 1992 6. <i>TEIOM</i> , 105-21; <i>BIM</i> , ch.3 Recommended: 5. Knight 2006, 5-25; <i>HB&IMI</i> , 146-50; Lee 1990a & 1990b; Fishbane, 1-43 6. Barton 1996, 45-76; Person and Rezetko, 1-35; Van Seters		
Week 5	Oct. 5 (F)	7. Canonical Approach * 8. Folkloristics *#	Required: 7. TiC, ch.3; TEIOM, 142-155; MBI, 215-19 8. HB&IMI, 180-91; Olrik Recommended: 7. Childs, 27-83; Barton 1996, 77-103; Davies, 1-58 8. Niditch; Dundes; Thompson [for consultation only]		
Week 6	Oct. 12 (F)	9. Rhetorical Analysis *# 10. Rhetorical (or Communicative) Criticism *#	Required: 9. <i>TiC</i> , ch.10; Muilenburg 10. <i>TEIOM</i> , 156-180; BCC, 149-86 Recommended: 9. Meynet 10. <i>MBI</i> , 185-95; Trible		
Week 7	Oct. 19 (F)	11. Structuralist Criticism *# 12. Deconstructive Criticism *#	Required: 11. BCC, 70-118; J&M, 90-114 12. TEIOM, 253-267; BCC, 119-48; M. Davies Recommended: 11. TEIOM, 183-200; HB&IMI, 173-80; Barton 1996, 104-39; Jobling [for sampling] 12. J&M, 115-137; Barton 1996, 220-36; Adam		

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Week 8	Oct. 26 (F)	13. Reader-Response Criticism *# 14. Ideological Criticism *#	Required: Exum & Clines, 11-15; Schüssler Fiorenza 13. TEIOM, 230-252; BCC, 20-69 14. TEIOM, 283-306; J&M, 138-60 Recommended: 14. Barton 1996: 198-219; Tate, 187-94; Iser 1971, 1972; Tompkins [for sampling] 15. BCC, 272-308; Gottwald; Pippin 1996; Clines 1995, 9-25
Week 9	Nov. 2 (F)	15. Feminist (and Womanist) Criticism *# 16. Cultural Criticism and Cross-Textual (and Cross-Cultural) Hermeneutics *#	Required: 18. J&M, 65-89; BCC, 225-271 19. Segovia 1995; Kwok; Lee 1998 & 2000 Recommended: Both. Jacob, 41-89 & 139-43 18. TEIOM, 268-82; TiC, ch.4; BIM, ch.13; Osiek; Fuchs; Bach ed [for sampling] 19. Scholz; J&M, 202-36; Clines 1993; Wong
Week 10	Nov. 9 (F)	17. Social-Scientific Criticism *# 18. Socio-Rhetorical Interpretation * - Guest Lecture by Prof. Alex Hon-Ho Ip	Required: 16. BCHB, ch.3; TEIOM, 125-41; J&M, 46-64 17. Robbins 2010 & 1994 Recommended: 16. Elliott; Baker 17. Gowler
Week 11	Nov. 16 (F)	19. Narrative Criticism and Narratology *# - Guest Lecture by Dr. Leo Kwan- Hung Li	Required: 13. 劉意青; Gunn; <i>TEIOM</i> , 201-229; <i>J&M</i> , 19-45 Recommended: 李均熊; 張玉明; Berlinerblau; Goldingay.
Week 12	Nov. 23 (F)	20. Postcolonial Criticism *# 21. Queer (or Gender) Criticism *#	Required: 20. J&M, 161-82; BIM, ch.19 21. J&M, 183-201; Stone 1997; Martin Recommended: 20. Lee 1999; Segovia 2005, 23-78; Loomba 21. Stone 2001, 11-34; Hornsby & Stone eds, 1-43, 321-41, Koch
Week 13	Nov. 30 (F)	22. Psychological Criticism *# Conclusion	Required: 22. BCC, 187-224; Weitzman, 16-32 Conclusion: Paris. Recommended: 22. Bechtel; Kille

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Grade Rubric:

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A (+/-)	B (+/-)	C (+/-)	D (+)	F				
- Astral, insightful, reflective content - Exceeds expectations - Original & creative thesis potentially making a contribution to scholarship - Content consistent - Persuasive & logical arguments - Provide substantial evidence and support from scholarly works - Excellent integration & synthesis of different views - Implications well observed - Excellent organization - Rich & relevant references with correct citation format	- Adequate, thoughtful, descriptive, relevant content - Meets expectations - Thesis built on the theses & findings of current scholarship - Content consistent - Adequate & clear line of arguments - Provide evidence and support from scholarly works - Good integration & synthesis of different views - Implications noted - Good organization - Relevant references with correct citation format	- Lack of understanding of the subject matter - Below expectations - Unclear thesis - Some arguments Unconvincing & unclear - Lack of evidence and support from scholarly works - Lack of integration & synthesis of different views - Implications unclear - Lack of relevant references with some issues in citation format	- Misconception in subject matter - Below expectations - Unclear thesis - Arguments unconvincing, unclear - Lack of evidence and support from scholarly works - Neither integration nor synthesis of different views - Implications not noted - Incorrect citation	- Content irrelevant to subject matter - Fail to meet expectations				