

Semitics (SEMITIC)

Courses

SEMITIC 100A Aramaic 3 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2013

Biblical and Ancient Aramaic, including study of the Aramaic parts of Daniel and Ezra and the inscriptions and papyri from Syria, Egypt, Mesopotamia, and the Persian Empire. Sequence begins Fall.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Hebrew 100A-100B

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Semitics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

SEMITIC 100B Aramaic 3 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2014

Biblical and Ancient Aramaic, including study of the Aramaic parts of Daniel and Ezra and the inscriptions and papyri from Syria, Egypt, Mesopotamia, and the Persian Empire. Sequence begins Fall.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Hebrew 100A-100B

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Semitics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

SEMITIC 101 Syriac 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021

This introductory course will cover both the study of the classical Syriac language and a more general introduction to Syriac literature in all its diversity, with particular emphasis on East Syriac. Syriac is both an ancient tongue that can help us access older Christian histories as well as a living language within the liturgy of current Christian communities, such as the Assyrians. For some communities, Syriac is close to the living vernacular language. Undergraduate students will read Christian narratives developed in the Middle East from as far back as 1600 years ago.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Semitics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

SEMITIC 205A Ugaritic 3 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2014, Fall 2009, Fall 2006

Ugarit language and literature with stress on comparative morphology and lexicography. Sequence begins Fall.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 101A-101B or 100A-100B or equivalent

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Semitics/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

SEMITIC 205B Ugaritic 3 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2015, Spring 2010, Spring 2007

Ugarit language and literature with stress on comparative morphology and lexicography. Sequence begins Fall.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 101A-101B or 100A-100B or equivalent

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Semitics/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

SEMITIC 209A Northwest Semitic Epigraphy 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2015, Fall 2008, Fall 2005

This two course sequence will study the epigraphic remains of the Northwest Semitic languages. First semester will study inscriptions in Hebrew. Second semester topics will vary from year to year. Possible topics include: Canaanite dialects; El-Amarna Akkadian; Eblaite. The inscriptions will be studied both from the perspective of the comparative history of the Northwest Semitic languages and also for their relevance in illuminating contemporaneous history and culture.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Reading knowledge of Biblical Hebrew

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Semitics/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

SEMITIC 209B Northwest Semitic Epigraphy 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2016, Spring 2009

This two course sequence will study the epigraphic remains of the Northwest Semitic languages. First semester will study inscriptions in Hebrew. Second semester topics will vary from year to year. Possible topics include: Canaanite dialects; El-Amarna Akkadian; Eblaite. The inscriptions will be studied both from the perspective of the comparative history of the Northwest Semitic languages and also for their relevance in illuminating contemporaneous history and culture.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Reading knowledge of Biblical Hebrew

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Semitics/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.