

Department:

Course No: INTD 294

Credits: 3

Title: the bible

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Content Area: CA1-Arts and Humanities

Catalog Copy: 294 The Bible First semester. Three credits, which may be counted toward the related field requirement in History, Philosophy, or English. Sponsored by and listed under the English, History, and Philosophy Departments. The literary, historical, and philosophical content, circumstances and problems of the Old and New Testaments.

Course Information: a) The course goal is to provide an interdisciplinary understanding of one of the central texts in Western civilization. b) The readings consist of a large portion of the Bible, supplemented by a secondary source. The course requires roughly 50 pages of reading per week. Three exams, each consisting of essays and multiple choice questions. c) the development of monotheism, the relations between Christianity and Judaism, the interactions between the Israelites and surrounding cultures.

Meets Goals of Gen Ed: 2. Acquire intellectual breadth and versatility; Since the Bible is a central text in Western civilization, and has continuing influence on contemporary events, the course satisfies criterion 5, "Acquire awareness of their era and society; The critical approach to the text helps a student acquire critical judgement thus satisfying criterion 3. In examining the variety of cultures that contribute to the Old and New Testaments, the course addresses criterion 6, acquire consciousness of the diversity of human culture and experience.

CA1 Criteria: This course does historical and critical analyses of human religious and political experience and examines philosophical theories connected with Biblical writing.