

About the Course

OT Foundations I and OT Foundations II together form an introduction to the Old Testament. These two courses aim: (i) to introduce the Old Testament books, and the historical and cultural contexts in which they originated; (ii) to help students reflect on how to apply the Old Testament in the modern world, and to their own lives. Throughout, the Old Testament is interpreted as part of Christian Scripture, and out of a conviction that Christians cannot afford to neglect this first and larger part of God's Word. Though questions relating to history and the ancient Near Eastern context will not be ignored, the main emphasis is on the meaning, theology and application of the text. OT Foundations II covers most of the Prophets (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Hosea and Amos), the Psalms, and the Wisdom Literature.

Dates (2022)

Jan 18

Feb 8, 22

Mar 8, 22

Apr 5, 19

May 10

Location

Zoom Classroom

Time

7:15pm – 10:00pm

Class Format

- Self-Paced+Live (In-Person)
- Self-Paced+Live (Online)**
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Fees*

S\$450(Credit)
S\$240 (Audit)

OT 102 will be taught by blended learning, using a mixture of recorded lectures and live class sessions. It may be necessary to conduct all class sessions online.

About the Lecturer

Dr Philip Satterthwaite has been Lecturer in Old Testament and Biblical Hebrew at BGST since 1998.

His main research areas are the OT Historical and Wisdom Books. In 2007 his book *Exploring the Old Testament 2: The Histories* (written with J.G. McConville) was published by SPCK/IVP. Philip has preached and taught in a number of churches in Singapore. He is a member of Prinsep Street Presbyterian church. He is married to Eileen.



Academic Information

Assignments:

The grade point for OT102 will be based on the following:

1. Short (200-word) answers to questions on the contents of the recorded lectures. [10% of the grade point. Your mark will be based on the best 10 out of your 14 answers]
2. MCQs on the lectures. [10% of the grade point. Your mark will be based on the best 10 out of your 14 answers]
3. Two short (10-minute) class presentations on selected texts from the OT books covered in OT 102 [30% of the grade point]*
4. One 1,000-word Critique on a specified article or essay [20% of the grade point]
5. A 3,000-word Essay **OR** two further short presentations (1,000 to 1,500 words) on selected texts from the OT books covered in OT 102 [30% of grade point]

*It is hoped that all students will be able to make both their presentations in one of the class sessions. If there are a large number of students, however, this may not be possible. In that case some or all students will have to submit the text of a second presentation to the lecturer directly, without making the presentation in class.

Course Text:

The text books for OT 102 are volumes III and IV in the series *Exploring the Old Testament* (EOT):

1. EOT III, by E.C. Lucas, covers the Psalms and the Writings
2. EOT IV, by J.G. McConville, covers the Prophets, Daniel and Lamentations

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