

Faculty of Arts and Letters



GLOR2838 Biblical Greek

[45h] 9 credits

This course is taught in the 1st and 2nd semester

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Language: French
Level: Second cycle

Aims

Presentation of the peculiarities of the Greek language as used in the biblical books, with a distinction between the Old Testament - characterized by its Hebrew model - and the New Testament - representing the common Greek (Koine) of Hellenistic time.

Main themes

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Content and teaching methods

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Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Prerequisite : Basic knowledge of ancient Greek.

Continuous evaluation through the involvement in the preparation of the lessons, and oral exam at the end of the year.

Teaching materials : texts and documents provided by the teacher.

Other credits in programs

FIBI21	Première licence en philologie biblique	(9 credits)	Mandatory
FIBI22	Deuxième licence en philologie biblique	(9 credits)	Mandatory
HORI22	Deuxième licence en langues et littératures orientales (philologie et histoire orientales)	(9 credits)	
HORI2M1	Master en langues et littératures anciennes, orientation "orientales"	(9 credits)	
ISLE3DA/BI	Diplôme d'études approfondies en philosophie et lettres (philologie biblique)	(9 credits)	Mandatory