

# Virginia Western Community College

## REL 210

### Survey of the New Testament

#### **Prerequisites**

None

#### **Course Description**

Surveys books of the New Testament, with special attention upon placing the writings within their historical and geographical setting.

As an introductory course, it provides an overview of the literature of the New Testament examining the text and context with emphasis upon the major themes of the various books.

**Semester Credits: 3**

**Lecture Hours: 3**

#### **Required Materials**

1. The New Testament or a Bible containing the New Testament. No particular version is required
2. Internet access
3. Blackboard

#### **Textbook: (optional)**

Brown, *Introduction to the New Testament*, Yale University Press, ISBN # 978-0-300-17312-3.

*Harper Collins Study Bible*, ISBN: 978-0-060-78684-7, Harper Collins.

#### **Other Required Materials:**

None

## **Course Outcomes**

**At the completion of this course, the student should be able to:**

- Be conversant with and understand key terms and concepts in the New Testament
- Introduce the literary types and characteristics of the individual books of the New Testament
- Gain a basic understanding of the message of the New Testament as a whole
- Gain a basic understanding of the culture of the ancient Mediterranean region.
- Understand how the individual books are organized or structured
- Come to understand the origins of Christianity

## **Topical Description**

1	Introduction
2	Matthew
3	Mark
4	Luke
5	John
6	Acts
7	Paul
8	Romans
9	Corinthians
10	Galatians
11	Ephesians
12	Philippians
13	Colossians
14	Philemon
15	Thessalonians
16	Timothy
17	Titus
18	Hebrews
19	James
20	Peter
21	Jude
22	Apocalyptic Literature
23	Revelation

## **Notes to Instructors**

None