UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY
AT ST. MARY’S SEMINARY

PROPHETS CU 2202 AE
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COURSE SYLLABUS

DESCRIPTION:
This course offers a study of the identity and role of the prophet within the history and traditions of Israel, and the Christian tradition. We will focus on the major prophetic themes (i.e., justice, infidelity to the covenant, ethical conduct, judgment and mercy) and the relevance of the prophets’ message for today’s faith community.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:
A. To gain knowledge of the content of the Prophets
B. Develop exegetical procedures for the study of the Prophets
C. Examine the theology of selected books in the Prophets though a synchronic study of the text (s).
F. Integrate the study of the Prophets with personal experience and make practical, dynamic application to pastoral ministry.

COURSE FORMAT AND EVALUATION:
1. This course will combine lecture and class discussions. Lecture discussion will be based on assign readings.
2. Students are required to submit four assignments:
   a. One-page, double space, summary for each of the lectures summarizing what you have learned either theologically, pastorally or spiritually from class or from the readings. The assignments are due on the following dates:
      i. Summary for March 10 is due on Tuesday March 13.
      ii. Summary for March 24 is due on Tuesday March 27.
      iii. Summary for April 7 is due on Tuesday April 10.
      iv. Summary for April 28 is due on Monday April 30.
   b. Note: All written assignments must be submitted electronically by 11:59 pm on the due date to Turnitin. Please access Turnitin at www.turnitin.com and register for a new account using your UST email address. Your ClassID 17477422 for Prophets and Writings is and the Enrollment Password is Grace.
c. Late work will be accepted for a grade only if the professor grants an extension. Out of fairness to those who submit their work on time, late work will normally be graded down by one-half letter grade for each day it is late.

ETHICS OF AUTHORSHIP
Especially when writing your paper, you are welcome to use any form of scientific literature relevant for the subject of your study. However, you are absolutely obliged to give the exact references when you use somebody else’s thoughts and arguments. Plagiarism (from the Latin word: plagiare – “kidnapping”: taking and using thoughts, writings and publications of another person as one’s own without naming the author or source) of any kind will not be tolerated. It will lead to nullification of your paper and bring down your overall course grade significantly.

REQUIRED TEXT:

RECOMMENDED TEXTS

COURSE OUTLINE:
We meet on March 10, 24, April 7 and 28 from 9-4 pm.

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| 3. **April 7** | - Zephaniah, Nahum and Habakkuk (Late 7th C. Prophets) | Read Leclerc, pp. 205-233  
Zepahaniah 1-3  
Nahum 1-3  
Habakkuk 1-3 |
| - The prophet Jeremiah (Sufferings of Jeremiah) | Read Leclerc, pp. 235-272  
Jeremiah 20:7-18 |
| - The prophet Ezekiel  
- The prophet as Watchman  
- Personal Responsibility  
- Vision of the Dry Bones  
- A restore Nation (38-40) | Read Leclerc, pp. 278-303  
Ezekiel 3:17-20; 14:1-20; 37:1-14 |
| 4. **April 28** | - Second Isaiah  
and the Servant Songs  
*summary of third Isaiah* | Read Leclerc, pp. 304-332  
| - Zechariah and Malachi | Read Leclerc, pp. 342-359  
Zechariah 1-14; Malachi 1-4 |