

Anabaptist Biblical Perspectives (ABP)

101 Introduction to the Bible

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This course is designed for first-year students with limited biblical knowledge. Its purpose is to nurture an appreciation for the rich resources of the scriptures for creative personal faith and human life in the contemporary world. The student will gain a knowledge and understanding of the literature and history of the Bible and be encouraged to integrate faith, learning, and living. (May not be taken after another ABP course.)

112 Becoming God's People: Old Testament Themes

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This course surveys the content and backgrounds of the Christian Old Testament (Jewish Tanak) giving particular attention 1) to God's efforts to form an obedient and worshipping people, and 2) to the major covenants between God and God's special community.

123 Following Jesus Christ: New Testament Themes

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This course takes a look at the many different writings that make up the New Testament, at the same time emphasizing the common message of and about Jesus Christ that they contain, and related themes that tie them together. It encourages the development of an understanding of the settings in which the New Testament's gospels, letters, and sermons were written, and begins the process of connecting the faith of New Testament Jesus believers with the call to 21st-century Christians to follow Christ in our world.

201 Ethics in the Way of Jesus

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This is a course that seeks to discern how following Jesus' way of peace with justice in the world is essential for interpreting the Bible on contemporary moral questions, in all aspects of life. The class will emphasize what it means to think ethically in a variety of areas, within the context of the Anabaptist tradition.

*Note: The following courses may also meet the EMU Core ABP requirement: *BIST 223; *BIST 323; *BIST 341; THEO 323.*