

HEBREW AND GREEK COMPETENCY

For entering seminary students who have completed a minimum of one year of Greek and/or Hebrew language studies at the undergraduate level and desire to proceed into BBL-672 NT I: INTRODUCTION TO EXEGESIS or BBL-640 OT I: INTRODUCTION TO HEBREW EXEGESIS, they must demonstrate language competency through the satisfactory completion of the Greek and/or Hebrew competency exam.

Students who successfully complete the particular competency exam will be given permission to proceed into BBL-672 NT I: INTRODUCTION TO EXEGESIS and/or BBL-640 OT I: INTRODUCTION TO HEBREW EXEGESIS and granted advanced standing credit. Cornerstone University graduates who successfully complete the entire undergraduate Greek and/or Hebrew language sequence (B or better in each course), and immediately proceed into CTS, are exempt from the competency exam requirement but must complete and submit the advanced standing application.

The Greek and/or Hebrew competency exam is also required for entering CTS students seeking transfer credits and authorization to proceed into the first course of the Old Testament and/or New Testament sequence (i.e., BBL-672 NT I: INTRODUCTION TO EXEGESIS and/or BBL-640 OT I: INTRODUCTION TO HEBREW EXEGESIS) in any of the following instances: when the source of the transfer credits is a non-ATS school, the graduate courses are not comparable to BBL-510 GREEK I/BBL-511 GREEK II and/or BBL-516 HEBREW I/BBL-517 HEBREW II, the grades achieved are below the required B grade or the graduate language courses were not completed within the previous two years. In such cases, the student is required to complete the appropriate CTS competency exam before the transfer credits will be processed and authorization granted to proceed into the first course of the sequence.

Unsatisfactory completion of the CTS competency exam requires completion of BBL-510 GREEK I/BBL-511 GREEK II and/or BBL-516 HEBREW I/BBL-517 HEBREW II at CTS and results in the denial of the Greek and/or Hebrew language advanced standing or transfer credit. Greek and Hebrew competency exams are administered during New Student Orientation in the fall and spring.

Students enrolled in Greek language studies with the intent of proceeding into the subsequent exegetical sequence (i.e., BBL-672 NT I: INTRODUCTION TO EXEGESIS, BBL-677 NT II: THE GOSPELS and BBL-678 NT III: THE GENERAL EPISTLES) must achieve a grade of C or better in BBL-511 GREEK II in order to advance into BBL-672 NT I: INTRODUCTION TO EXEGESIS. Similarly, students enrolled in Hebrew language studies with the intent of proceeding into the subsequent exegetical sequence (i.e., BBL-640 OT I: INTRODUCTION TO HEBREW EXEGESIS, BBL-641 OT II: EXEGESIS IN THE PENTATEUCH and BBL-642 OT III: EXEGESIS IN THE PROPHETS & WRIT) must achieve a grade of C or better in BBL-517 HEBREW II in order to advance into BBL-640 OT I: INTRODUCTION TO HEBREW EXEGESIS. The Bible faculty reserve the right to make exceptions to this policy via the academic policy exception process based upon student competency demonstrated through the administration of the respective Greek or Hebrew competency exam.