

Pre-session Greek - 1.210 Introduction

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RATIONALE

The New Testament was written in Koine Greek. As the language in which God's Living Word is communicated to us, it is imperative that we be able to read and understand that word as clearly as possible. The variety of English translations of the New Testament demonstrate that every translation is also an interpretation. As leaders in the Church, the ability to translate knowing the interpretive issues involved is critical in the formation of faithful understanding not only in biblical studies but also throughout the LTSG seminary curriculum. For this reason, an introductory class in New Testament Greek is a foundational course and an invaluable resource for anyone preparing for a leadership vocation in the Church.

OUTCOMES

Upon completion of the introductory Greek experience, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a working knowledge of Greek grammar and syntax learned in Croy's *Primer* (lessons 1-14 and 16 during pre-session and 15 and 17-32 during the fall) and translate sentences and short texts related to the lessons and the Greek New Testament (=GNT)
2. Recognize a core vocabulary of 310 words used 50 or more times in the GNT (Approximately 150 Greek words are used in Croy's *Primer* from lessons 1-14 and 16 during pre-session)
3. Use Bible software to help analyze and determine the meaning of words in the GNT
4. Compare and critically assess the accuracy, validity, and satisfactoriness of standard English translations of the GNT

STRATEGIES

To achieve these objectives, the introductory Greek experience at LTSG has two components.

- First, a *Pre-session Greek* will be held over a two week period prior to the start of the fall semester of each year. This will be an intensive, 3+ hours per day Greek experience.
- Second, *1.210 Introduction to Greek* will meet as a normal three credit class throughout the fall semester (I.e., class sessions meeting twice weekly for 90 minutes per session).

We will use the required textbook, handouts, Bible software, exercises, quizzes, exams, and the instructor's presentations to gain mastery of the stated objectives.

Required Texts

- Croy, N. Clayton. *A Primer of Biblical Greek*. Grand Rapids, Eerdmans, 2007.

ASSESSMENTS (Pre-session)

The course evaluation will consist of the following:

- EXAMS – Two exams worth 100 points each 200 points \
- REGULAR QUIZZES – Nine quizzes 150 points > TOTAL: 500 pts.
- DAILY ASSIGNMENTS & PARTICIPATION 150 points /

350 points (70%) are needed to pass the pre-session course and be confident of success for 1.210 in the fall semester.

COURSE SCHEDULE

1. Pre-session Greek Schedule (tentative)

Week One: I Think I Can, I Think I Can, I Think I Can (δοκῶ δύναμαι, δοκῶ δύναμαι, δοκῶ δύναμαι)

Date	Morning Sessions	Afternoon Sessions
Fri, Aug 13	Welcome / Introduce Lesson 1	Quiz on 1 / Introduce Lessons 2-3
M-16	Quiz on 2-3 / Sharing our stories	Review Lesson 2-3 / Introduce 4
T-17	Review 4 / Introduce 5	Review 5 / Quiz on 4-5 / Introduce 6
W-18	Review 6 / Quiz on 5-6 / Introduce 7	Review 7 / Introduce 8
Θ-19	Review 8 / Quiz on 7-8	Review 1-8
F-20	EXAM 1 (8:30-10:00)	Class Meeting > Review Exam / Introduce 9

Week Two: What in the World Was I Thinking?!!!?? (τί ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ ἐδόκουν;)

M-23	Review 9 / Quiz on 9 / Introduce 10	Review 10 / Introduce 11
T-24	Review 11 / Quiz on 10-11 / Introduce 12	Review 12 / Introduce 13
W-25	Review 13 / Quiz on 12-13 / Introduce 14	Review 14 / Introduce 16
Θ-26	Review 16 / Quiz on 14,16	Review 1-16 (omitting 15)
F-27	EXAM 2 (8:30-10:00)	Review Exam / Introduce 15

2. 1.210 Introduction to Greek Schedule

You Mean We're Meeting Only Twice a Week? This Is a Piece of ἄρτος!

Friday, September 3 Review 15...

{Note: For the fall semester, the class will be divided into two sections according to ability, learning comfort, etc. and the fall schedule will proceed at its own pace.}



Before you enter, you will need to conjugate λύω in all its forms.

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