

### Module Descriptor

<b>1. Module Code</b>	TH4613	<b>2. Module Title</b>	Introduction to Biblical Hebrew 1		
<b>3. Level</b>	4	<b>4. Credit Value</b>	20	<b>ECTS</b>	10
<b>5. Delivery Site(s)</b>	Distance Learning: King's Evangelical Divinity School eCampus				
<b>6. Available to / Restrictions</b>					

<b>7. Expected Student Learning Activity and Contact Hours</b>	<b>8. Attendance Guidance</b>
10 hours of recorded lectures and 190 hours of generated study time. Students have access to an online discussion forum to communicate with tutors and other students, along with e-mail support from tutors. Where appropriate, telephone support is also available.	Core course material is expected to be used fully and typically includes recorded lectures and reading of select textbooks, papers or book extracts. All students are expected to listen to all of the course lectures and read the required materials. A range of supporting teaching material is also available to students as further recommended learning options.

<b>9. Module Content</b>
<p>The module will include the following:</p> <p>Hebrew alphabet – consonants and vowels; dagesh and other signs; syllabification.</p> <p>Nouns and adjectives; classification of nouns; construct state; pronouns; prepositions; pronominal suffixes; verbs in Qal – the perfect and imperfect and related forms; participles; Introduction to irregular verbs.</p> <p>Exegesis of Gen. 1.</p> <p>Translation methodology</p> <p>Using technical commentaries</p>

<b>10. Aims</b>
<p>Aims of the Module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To provide students with an introduction to the Biblical Hebrew language.</li> <li>• To give students basic skills needed for the exegesis of the Hebrew Old Testament.</li> <li>• To enable students to understand and make use of technical commentaries on the Old Testament</li> <li>• To provide a foundation for the further study of Old Testament texts in Hebrew.</li> </ul>

<b>11. Methods of Learning and Teaching and Formative Assessment</b>
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Audio lectures, guided reading, individual study, and individual support where appropriate. Students will prepare for assignments individually using interactive online learning material. Students are encouraged, but not required, to participate in online theological discussion on the eCampus Forum.

12. Learning Outcomes	13. Assessment and Reassessment Components and Weighting
<p>By the end of the module, students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Parse various verbal parts of speech in Qal (verbs and participles); recognize various nouns and their gender, number and state; recognize various other basic parts of speech including adjectives, prepositions and pronouns and their grammatical functions.</li> <li>2. Work with a basic Hebrew-English lexicon and technical Hebrew commentaries .</li> <li>3. Understand some of the fundamental differences found in various English translations of the same text.</li> <li>4. Translate basic Hebrew sentences into English and move on to further, more advanced studies in biblical Hebrew and the exegesis of Hebrew texts in a subsequent module.</li> </ol>	<p>Formative assessment: Completion of a set of grammatical tests directed towards learning outcomes 1-3.</p> <p>Summative assessment: Single portfolio of written work comprising exegetical essay (weighting 75%) and set of translation exercises (25%) ( learning outcomes 1-4)</p>

#### 14. Key References

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<b>15. Module Leader</b>	<b>16. Subject / Programme Assessment Board</b>
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<b>17. Approved By</b>	<b>18. Date of Approval</b>
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