CALVARY UNIVERSITY

Ph.D. Syllabus

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BT716 DISSERTATION RESEARCH AND WRITING I

Course:	BT716 Dissertation Research and Writing I
Credit:	3 credit hours
Semester:	TBD
Date:	TBD
Time:	TBD
Place:	Microsoft Teams
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DESCRIPTION

The Ph.D. candidate will write the first 75 pages of the dissertation. (See catalog for fee associated with this course.)

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The student will:

1. Research the topic of his/her dissertation by reading books, journal articles and dissertations

2. Write the first 75 pages of his/her dissertation

3. Meet with his/her dissertation advisor and reader to discuss his/her dissertation

4. Make changes/revisions to his/her dissertation when advised

Our Mission: To prepare Christians to live and serve in the church and in the world according to the Biblical worldview

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK

The Bible is a required textbook in every course at Calvary University. To facilitate academic level study, students are required to use for assignments and research an English translation or version of the Bible based on formal equivalence (meaning that the translation is generally word-for-word from the original languages), including any of the following: New American Standard (NASB), English Standard Version (ESV), New King James Version (NKJV), or King James Version (KJV). Other translations like NLT and NIV may be used as supplemental sources. Please ask the professor if you have any questions about a particular translation or version.

REQUIRED: ORIGINAL LANGUAGE BIBLE STUDY SOFTWARE (Accordance, Bible Works, Logos)

Students are required to have digital resources to engage Biblical study in the original languages, including but not limited to *Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia (BHS), Nestle Aland 28 (NA28) –* both including critical apparatus*; Septuaginta (LXX), a Greek Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature (BDAG) by Bauer, Danker, Arndt, and Gingrich; Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament (HALOT) by Koehler and Baumgartner.*

ASSIGNMENTS

Assignment #1: Write a detailed outline/argument of the first 75 pages of your dissertation (200 points)

Assignment #2: Meet with your dissertation advisor and reader in Microsoft Teams to discuss the outline/argument of your first 75 pages of your dissertation (100 points)

Assignment #3: Write pages 1-75 of your dissertation (600 points)

Assignment #4: Meet with the dissertation advisor and reader in Microsoft Teams to approve pages 1-75 of the dissertation (100 points)

GRADING SCALE

960-1000 points   A

940-959 points   A-

920-939 points   B+

880-919 points   B

860-879 points   B-

0-859 points   F

POLICIES

Students with disabilities have the responsibility of informing the Accommodations Support Coordinator (aso@calvary.edu) of any disabling condition that may require support.

Plagiarism is defined as copying any part of a book or paper without identifying the author. This also includes taking another person's ideas or AI entity's ideas or constructs and presenting them as your own. The use of AI generated content in student work is prohibited (even if cited) as it does not represent original work created by the student and is an unreliable aggregate of ideas from other sources. Plagiarism of any kind will not be tolerated.

All class papers must follow the Turabian style according to *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, 8th edition.

The Clark Academic Center (learning@calvary.edu) is dedicated to providing free academic assistance for all Calvary University students. Student tutors aid with all facets of the writing process, tutor in various subject areas, prepare students for exams and facilitate tests. Please take advantage of this service.