

This class is taught in English and examines the Biblical foundations of Western history and culture and the important role the Bible continues to play in modern thinking and society. It is hoped that this class will not only help participants improve their English communication skills, but also better enable them to understand the thought processes behind Western speaking and behavior.



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Education

2nd Semester Course offered at
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Course Goals

Improve English communication skills, and gain better understanding of Western culture and thinking

English V (Advanced Topics)

(Advanced topics on Western thought and culture)

Grading System

Active participation
Reports
Group work (depends on class size)
Presentations
Other assignments
Final exam or report

Course Schedule

1. Course rationale
2. Background of Bible and Western culture
3. Outline of Bible
4. Creation and evolution
5. Evolution's Achilles' heels
6. Flood stories in various cultures
7. Bible and literature
8. Bible and music
9. Student presentations
10. Bible and art
11. Student presentations
12. Bible and science
13. Student presentations
14. Bible, history and government
15. Bible and education
16. Final exam/report