

MTG212.7 New Testament Greek for Exegesis

Name of Unit 1 (Unit Code 1)

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SECTION 1 – GENERAL INFORMATION

Administrative details

Associated higher education awards	Duration	Level	Unit Coordinator
Bachelor	One semester	Advanced	Dr Chris Johnstone

Core or elective unit

Indicate if the unit is a

- core unit
 elective unit
 other (please specify below):

Core or Elective: Bachelor of Theology
 Elective: Bachelor of Ministry

Unit weighting

Using the table below, indicate the credit point weighting of this unit and the credit point total for the course of study (for example, 10 credit points for the unit and 320 credit points for the course of study).

Unit credit points	Total course credit points
6 credit points	144 credit points

Student workload

Using the table below, indicate the expected student workload per week for this unit.

No. timetabled hours per week	No. personal study hours per week	Total workload hours per week
3	6	9

For those students requiring additional English language support, how many additional hours per week is it expected that they will undertake?

Additional English language support: 0 hours per week

Pre-requisites and co-requisites

Are students required have undertaken a prerequisite or co-requisite unit for this unit?

Yes No

If **YES**, provide details of the prerequisite or co-requisite requirements below.

Prerequisites: MTG210.7 Engaging the Biblical Languages; MTG201.7 Interpreting the New Testament

SECTION 2 – ACADEMIC DETAILS**Brief description of the content of the unit**

This unit introduces students to first-year New Testament Greek to facilitate the exegesis of the Greek New Testament, with the assistance of academic Bible software. It connects strongly with the MTC formation domain, *Engaging God's Story*. The unit builds on the knowledge and skills gained through Interpreting the New Testament and, especially, Engaging the Biblical Languages and places emphasis on understanding New Testament Greek and its significance for exegesis of the New Testament. Students learn the effective use of Bible software to assist with vocabulary and morphology, and analyse Greek texts, engaging critically with Greek-based lexicons, grammars, and commentaries and with the discussions of textual critics. On completion of this unit, students, with the aid of Bible software, will confidently and faithfully exegete New Testament Greek texts and present their findings to contemporary audiences.

Learning outcomes for the unit

- 1) Analyse New Testament Greek texts, explaining the significance of key lexical, syntactical, and grammatical features
- 2) Produce expositions of New Testament Greek texts, through critical use of Greek-based lexicons, grammars, and commentaries
- 3) Creatively communicate clear and coherent expositions of New Testament Greek texts to contemporary audiences

Assessment tasks

Type	Learning Outcome/s assessed	When assessed – year, session and week	Weighting
1. Analytical Exercises x 10 Students analyse various New Testament Greek texts, explaining the significance of key lexical, syntactical, and grammatical features. (2000 words equiv., 200 words each)	1	Weeks 1-5 & 7-11	40% (equally weighted)
2. Exposition x 2 Students produce two detailed written expositions of New Testament Greek texts, through critical use of Greek-based lexicons, grammars, and commentaries. (2000 words; 800 words & 1200 words)	1 & 2	Wks 6 & 12	40%

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<p>3. Presentations x 2 Based on their expositions (see assessment task 2), students produce two multimedia presentations for contemporary audiences, illustrating insights gained from the analysis of the Greek text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a 5-min devotional • a 12-min sermon or teaching session <p>(1000 words equiv.; 250 words and 750 words)</p>	3	<p>Devotional Wk 7</p> <p>Sermon/Teaching Wk 13</p>	<p>20%</p> <p>(Devotional 5% Sermon/Teaching 15%)</p>

2.1 Prescribed and recommended readings

Prescribed reading:

Mounce, William D. *Basics of Biblical Greek Grammar*. 4th ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2019.
 ———. *Basics of Biblical Greek Workbook*. 4th ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2019.
 Strauss, M. L. *The Biblical Greek Companion for Bible Software Users*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2016.

And either of the following:

Institute for NT Textual Research. *Novum Testamentum Graece*. Nestle-Aland 28th ed. Stuttgart: German Bible Society, 2012.
 Aland, Barbara et al. *The Greek New Testament*. 5th ed. 2nd corr. Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 2015.

Recommended reading:

Beale, G. K, Daniel J. Brendsel, and William A. Ross. *An Interpretive Lexicon of New Testament Greek: Analysis of Prepositions, Adverbs, Particles, Relative Pronouns, and Conjunctions*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2015.
 Black, David Alan. *Learn to Read New Testament Greek*. 3rd ed. Nashville, TN: Broadman & Holman Publishers, 2009.
 Black, David Alan, and Benjamin L Merkle. *Linguistics and New Testament Greek: Key Issues in the Current Debate*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2020.
 Campbell, Constantine R. *Advances in the Study of Greek: New Insights for Reading the New Testament*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2015.
 Clark, David J. *Analyzing & Translating New Testament Discourse*. Dallas, TX, 2019.
 Danker, Frederick W, Walter Bauer, and William Arndt. *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature*. 3rd ed. Chicago, IL: UCP, 2000.
 Fee, Gordon D. *New Testament Exegesis: A Handbook for Students and Pastors*. 3rd ed. Louisville, KY: WJKP, 2002.
 Greenlee, J. Harold. *Introduction to New Testament Textual Criticism*. Rev. ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic & Brazos Press, 2012.

- Harris, Murray J. *Prepositions and Theology in the Greek New Testament: An Essential Reference Resource for Exegesis*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2012.
- Liddell, and Scott. *A Greek-English Lexicon*. 9th ed. Oxford; New York, NY: OUP, 2005.
- Merkle, Benjamin L, Robert L Plummer, and William D Mounce. *Greek for Life: Strategies for Learning, Retaining, and Reviving New Testament Greek*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2017.
- Merkle, Benjamin L, and Robert L Plummer. *Beginning with New Testament Greek: An Introductory Study of the Grammar and Syntax of the New Testament*. Nashville, TN: B & H Academic, 2020.
- Metzger, Bruce Manning. *A Textual Commentary on the Greek New Testament*. 2nd ed. United Bible Societies, 2007.
- . *Lexical Aids for Students of New Testament Greek*. 3rd ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic & Brazos Press, 2012.
- Porter, Stanley E., and Andrew W. Pitts. *Fundamentals of New Testament Textual Criticism*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2015.
- Rogers, Cleon L, and Fritz Rienecker. *The New Linguistic and Exegetical Key to the Greek New Testament*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 1998.
- Silva, Moisés, ed. *New International Dictionary of New Testament Theology and Exegesis*. Vol. 1–5. 2nd ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2014.
- Stevens, Gerald L. *New Testament Greek Primer*. 2nd ed. Cambridge: Lutterworth, 2009.
- Wallace, Daniel B. *The Basics of New Testament Syntax: An Intermediate Greek Grammar*. Zondervan Academic, 2009.