

M703 Bible and Preaching

Code	M703
Title	Bible and Preaching
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School	Moorlands College
Owning Course	MA Applied Theology
Module Type	Standard Taught Module
Brief description	Bible and preaching equips students with principles and practices of preaching, to enable thorough and theological reflection on preaching. This module aims to analyse hermeneutic and homiletic theories relating to the use of the Bible in preaching, to broaden students' understanding and develop practical skills.
Level of study	Level 7
CATS points	30
Approved base location	Module validated for delivery at Moorlands College, Christchurch
Restrictions	None
Indicative syllabus	This module covers such units as: the role of the Bible in preaching; theology of preaching; the new homiletic; preaching styles and techniques; preaching in a contemporary context, including controversial issues; awareness of context; the spiritual life of the preacher.
Learning outcomes	<p>A student passing this module should be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. use hermeneutic and homiletic tools to reflect theologically and critically on their own preaching practice; 2. demonstrate advanced and systematic understanding and analysis of a range of homiletic theory; 3. critically and theologically reflect on the relationship between their own spiritual practices and homiletic approach; 4. prepare and communicate a biblical message effectively to a specific audience, demonstrating professional values and responsibilities.
Learning and teaching activities	<p>Scheduled learning and teaching activities: 26 hours</p> <p>Guided independent study: 274 hours</p>
Mark Scheme	Postgraduate: Assessed by a combination of Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory & Mark/Grade All elements of the assessment must be passed in order to complete the module.
Assessment	<p>A: 100% Assignment 4,000 words</p> <p>B: 0% Presentation 15-40 minutes</p>

Special assessment requirements	The module has an 80% attendance requirement.
Indicative resources	<p>Chapell, Bryan. <i>Christ-Centered Preaching: Redeeming the Expository Sermon</i>. 2nd ed. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Baker Academic, 2005.</p> <p>Cho, Kwang-hyun. <i>Paul's Community Formation Preaching in 1 Thessalonians: An Alternative to the New Homiletic</i>. Bern: Peter Lang AG, International Academic Publishers, 2017.</p> <p>Craddock, Fred B. <i>As One Without Authority</i>. 4th ed. St. Louis, Mo: Chalice Press, 2001.</p> <p>Davis, Ellen F. <i>Wondrous Depth: Preaching the Old Testament</i>. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2005.</p> <p>Gibson, Scott M., and Matthew D. Kim, eds. <i>Homiletics and Hermeneutics: Four Views on Preaching Today</i>. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2018.</p> <p>Kuruville, Abraham. <i>Privilege the Text: A Theological Hermeneutic for Preaching</i>. Chicago: Moody Publishers, 2013.</p> <p>Long, Thomas G. <i>The Witness of Preaching</i>. 3rd ed. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2016.</p> <p>Mulligan, Mary Alice, Diane Turner-Sharazz, Dawn Ottoni Wilhelm, and Ronald J. Allen. <i>Believing in Preaching: What Listeners Hear in Sermons</i>. St. Louis: Lucas Park Books, 2014.</p> <p>Quicke, Michael J. <i>360-Degree Preaching: Hearing, Speaking, and Living the Word</i>. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2003.</p> <p>Tisdale, Leonora Tubbs. <i>Prophetic Preaching: A Pastoral Approach</i>. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2010.</p> <p>Treier, Daniel J. <i>Introducing Theological Interpretation of Scripture: Recovering a Christian Practice</i>. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2008.</p> <p>Zink-Sawyer, Beverly. 'The Word Purely Preached and Heard: The Listeners and the Homiletical Endeavor.' <i>Interpretation</i> 51, no. 4 (October 1997): 342–57.</p>
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