



Dual Enrollment Course Descriptions

- **Old Testament History and Literature** is a survey of the Old Testament in its historical, canonical, geographical, and cultural contexts. Topics covered include: distinctive features, main events and outstanding personalities, literary structure, genre, and important theological themes in the history of ancient Israel. Special emphasis is placed on a comprehensive and panoramic view of Israel's progressive understanding of her election and covenantal relationship with God.
- **Preparing for Academic Success** is an introduction to collegiate academic strategies. Topics covered include reading, learning intelligences, note taking, critical thinking, time management, overview of the writing process, avoiding plagiarism, test preparation, and personality and learning assessments. Special emphasis is placed on developing strategies that work for the individual student. This is a Northpoint values course. Prerequisites: None
- **English Composition 1** is an introduction to composition in the English language. Topics covered include the significance of excellent academic composition, grammar, mechanics, paragraph development, syntax, construction of an outline, introduction to Turabian formatting, and development of voice appropriate to writing tasks. Special emphasis is placed on identifying, analyzing, organizing, and formatting data for the purpose of constructing organized, logical, and innovative written work, and preparing the student to utilize rhetoric appropriate to the ministry context. Prerequisites: (student must be fluent in the English language)
- **Spiritual and Character Formation** is an introduction to the development of Christian character and spirituality. Topics include definitions of spirituality and character, how these traits are developed, the spiritual disciplines, the importance of spiritual and character development over a lifetime, and various approaches to spirituality. Special emphasis is placed on the practice of spiritual disciplines, developing love and respect for God and others, and becoming more aware of one's emotional and spiritual development. This is a Northpoint Values Course. Prerequisites: none

- **English Composition 2** builds on the foundation of English Composition 1 and is a study in academic writing. Topics covered include utilization of library, database, and Internet resources, evaluation of the scholastic value of sources, organization and analysis of data for the purpose of constructing a logical and persuasive argument. Special emphasis is placed on Turabian formatting and a step-by-step approach to writing various types of research papers, exegetical papers, and critical reviews. Prerequisites: English Composition 1
- **New Testament History and Literature** is a survey of New Testament writings in the context of history, culture, and geography. Topics covered include the Intertestamental period, Judaism and Christianity in the first century, the life and ministry of Jesus, the establishment and ministry of the apostolic church, main events, issues, and persons, as well as the literary structure and theological themes of each book are studied. Special emphasis is placed on the events of the New Testament as fulfillment of God's overall plan.
- **Ancient Western Civilization** surveys the ancient civilizations from 3000 BC to AD 476 The first part of the course focuses on the development and influence of civilizations and empires including Egypt, Assyria, Babylon and Persia. The second part of the course surveys the political, social, and religious history of Greece and Rome. Special emphasis is placed on understanding biblical events in light of ancient history. Prerequisites: None
- **Encountering God: An Introduction to Scripture** covers the history and study of the Scriptures and how to utilize the Bible as a foundation for practicing the presence of God. Topics covered include bibliology, the Scriptures as divine revelation, the canon, versions and translations, the enduring quality and transformational power of Scripture, and hearing God through the Scriptures. Special emphasis is placed on Scripture as the foundation for theology, spirituality, and practice. This is a Northpoint Values Course. Prerequisites: None
- **Missio Dei: A Theology of Calling, Mission, and Community** is an overview of living in Christian community as a faithful believer, committed to the mission of Christ. Topics covered include what it means for humanity to be made in the image of God, a basic understanding of culture and how to read culture, the development of personal sacred rhythms in one's life, and a biblical perspective on calling, the mission of God (missions and evangelism), and community. Special emphasis is placed on understanding one's call and how the call relates to the mission of God and the fulfillment of community. This is a Northpoint Values Course. Prerequisites: None