

Grade 9 Biblical Studies - Acts & Church

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Welcome to grade 9 Biblical Studies

This course is broken into three major parts. Term one involves a look at the Book of Acts and is intended to give students a sense of how the early church formed, what its issues were, and how it lived out its understanding of what Jesus wanted his church to be. Term two looks at four different ways that the church has shaped itself today. This term will feature all four grade nine teachers rotating through the classes highlighting the visions presented by Brian Maclaren, Donald Miller, Evangelicalism, and Anabaptism. Term three is a hands on term looking at how the church in its various forms functions in the city of Winnipeg.

Expectations

Each classroom teacher will present his vision to the class. There is much commonality in our core values. Students must be engaged in active learning. The primary task of the course is not rote memory or factual knowledge but the integration of critical thinking and engagement. We expect your voice to be heard in class and for an atmosphere of respect for each other to exist.

Service Hours

Each student is expected to complete or have completed over the summer at least 15 hours of service. Service hours must be completed by the beginning of May, 2014.

Grading

Each term is graded in a unique way. Term one involves completing a portfolio which is explained on a handout you will receive. Term two involves four summative evaluations of how the church thinks and operates today. Term three involves presentations primarily. Further detail will follow. Grade nine will also feature a new prototype for exams. At the end of each term, students will write one third of the final exam. The marks will be held until June, at which point your exam mark will be calculated. There will be no two hour exam during exam week.