

LIDLAW COLLEGE

Te Wananga Amorangi

123.615 Old Testament: Eighth Century Prophets Course Outline

NQF Level: 6
Credit Value: 15

DELIVERY MODE

All

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The nature of Old Testament prophecy and the language of prophecy. The eighth century prophets with special reference to the book of Amos. Either a) exegesis of selections of the English text of Amos, or b) translation and exegesis of selections of the Hebrew text of Amos.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of the course students should be able to:

1. Assess differing views on the nature of Old Testament prophecy.
2. Explain key issues relating to the structure, formation, authorship and context of Amos.
3. Discuss the main literary and theological themes in eighth century prophecy, with particular reference to Amos.
4. Discuss differing approaches to Old Testament ethics, with particular respect to eighth century prophets.
5. Demonstrate competence in exegesis and interpretation of specified prophetic texts, and their relevance for the Christian church today.
6. [Hebrew option: demonstrate ability in reading and interpreting the Hebrew text of the eighth century prophets, and demonstrate competence in applying a range of linguistic insights to the task of exegesis.]