

LIDLAW COLLEGE
Te Wananga Amorangi

115.515 Biblical Theology
Course Outline

NQF Level: 5
Credit Value: 15

DELIVERY MODE

Auckland, Christchurch and CDL

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

There are many ways to practice theology, that is, to deliberately formulate thoughts and words about God. Biblical Theology is an approach that seeks to work closely with the contents and forms of the biblical texts in their relationship with one another. This course is an introduction to Biblical Theology. It explores the unity, diversity and central themes of God's written word, the Bible. In doing so, it introduces students to critical discussions concerning the relationship of theology to the Bible. It also looks at the relationship between Biblical Theology and other theological methods such as Systematic Theology. Finally, it assists students to begin making sense of the relationship between the Bible, theology and all of life.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

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

1. Articulate a clear understanding of the nature and characteristics of the Bible;
2. Describe the characteristics and practice the methods of Biblical Theology as one way of responding to the Bible;
3. Explain the relationship between Biblical Theology and other theological approaches such as Systematic Theology; and
4. Demonstrate understanding of the relationship between the Bible, theology, and important issues of life in the era of which we are part in both New Zealand and global contexts.