

LIDLAW COLLEGE

Te Wanaga Amorangi

146.615 Israel in the Time of Jesus Course Outline

NQF Level: 6
Credit Value: 15

DELIVERY MODE

Auckland and CDL

COURSE DESCRIPTION

An introduction to the historical, geographical, political, economic, religious, and social world of first-century Palestine with a view to how this informs our understanding of Jesus' life and message. Students will begin to work with primary sources used in historical Jesus study.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

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

1. Describe the historical and cultural context of first-century Palestine
2. Discuss how knowledge of the historical context can inform our understanding of the gospels
3. Examine Jesus' life and message in light of his historical context
4. Consider implications for us and how we might translate Jesus' message into our own contexts
5. Show an awareness of primary as well as secondary sources