

Dr. Debra Snoddy



Dr Debra Snoddy has recently joined the Staff at CIS as lecturer in Biblical Studies. Previously she had worked as lecturer in Theology and Biblical Studies at Carlow College, Carlow, and as lecturer in Biblical Studies at All Hallows College, Dublin, Ireland until 2016 with responsibilities for developing and delivering courses on the bible especially on the Gospel of John. During her tenure at All Hallows, Debra was also head of the life-long learning programmes. She has completed undergraduate studies at the Pontifical University, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, and continued post-graduate studies in Theology and Biblical Studies at the Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium (KU Leuven). Debra is a member of the Research Group for the Study of the Johannine and Pauline Literature at the Faculty of Theology of KU Leuven, Belgium, the European Biblical Association and the Irish Biblical Association. Publications include the co-authoring of *Parish Pastoral Councils: A Formation Manual*, (Dublin: Veritas, 2010) as well as articles for national and international journals.

*Artwork: *Abraham and the three Angels*, Marc Chagall 1966



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BIBLICAL STUDIES



INTENSIVE

B9610 ISRAEL'S BEGINNINGS:

THE BOOKS OF GENESIS AND EXODUS

with Dr Debra Snoddy

Semester 2, 2017

UNIT OBJECTIVES

This course unit seeks to:

Build on the basic knowledge and skills of the foundational Biblical Studies unit, focusing in particular on the books of Genesis and Exodus, with special attention to their literary forms, theological content and historical, cultural and religious setting.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of this unit students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a thorough knowledge of the biblical books that deal with Israel's formative period
2. Show an awareness of recent secondary literature resources and discuss the books of Genesis and Exodus
3. Exhibit a perceptive understanding if the importance of the books of Genesis and Exodus for Old Testament faith and Israelite identity
4. Demonstrate well-developed skills in the exegesis of selected Old Testament texts
5. Show a critical appreciation of Genesis and Exodus as expressions of Israel's faith in God's action in history and of their application to Christian life and worship in the present era.

CONTENT

1. The historical, geographical, cultural, religious and political context of Israel's formative period as represented in the narratives of Genesis and Exodus
2. Characteristic literacy forms and content of Genesis and Exodus
3. Exegesis of selected passages in the books of Genesis and Exodus
4. Aspects of the theology of Genesis and Exodus

PRE-REQUISITE

18 credit points in Biblical Studies

SESSION DATES AND TIMES

Sessions will be held:

9:30pm – 4:00pm

On the following days:

17 – 21 July

COST & REGISTRATION

Unit Costs: Degree Students: **\$1920**
Non-Degree Students: **\$1920**
Audit Students: **\$550**
CISSA Fee: **\$10**

Registration closes:

15 June, 2017

If you are a continuing Catholic Institute of Sydney student, simply register for the course in person as per usual during Registration Week (Week 13). Information regarding Registration Week is posted on the Registry Noticeboard and the CIS website.

All other students interested in registering in this unit should contact:

The Registrar:
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