GRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term: Spring 2009
Instructor: Deirdre Dempsey
Course #: THEO 214
Course Title: The Wisdom of Israel

Content:
This course focuses on the Wisdom Books of the Old Testament: Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, Sirach, and the Book of Wisdom. We look at questions of genre, authorship, historical context, and theology.

Format:
Modified lecture and discussion, with an emphasis on discussion.

Assignments and/or Examinations:
- Two papers, 15 pages (approximately) each; two presentations, one focused on how best to teach this material in an undergraduate context.

Language Pre-requisites:
- Those students who have passed a language exam will be required to use that language in their research. Those students who have Hebrew and Greek will be required to use those languages in their papers.

Required Texts:
- TBA