

## Department of Theology

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### 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.
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#### Required Texts:

- TBA