

BSK Course Sharing Collective Course Schedule: Spring 2026

Host Institution



Website: [Memphis Theological Seminary Theological Education](https://www.memphistheological.edu)

Term Dates: 1/26/2026 to 5/15/2026

Time Zone: Central Time Zone

Learning Management System (LMS): Canvas (not Populi)

Course Code and Title	WP 343: Preacher as Storyteller: Narrative in Preaching
Course Description	This course will link the art of storytelling with the ministry of preaching by focusing on narrative theory and how it informs various methods of sermon design and delivery. Students will learn skills in the art and craft of storytelling and sermon design by sharing their own stories, children's sermons, and sermons in both the classroom and local churches.
Level/Department	Worship & Preaching
Modality and Schedule	Synchronous Zoom, Wednesdays, 3:00-5:00 PM (CT) [4:00-6:00 PM (ET)]
Instructor	Dr. Shazetta Thompson-Hill sthompson-hill@memphisseminary.edu
Grading Options	Letter
Credit Hours	3
Prerequisites and Eligibility	Prerequisite: WP 400 (Theology & Practice of Preaching / Intro to Preaching)

Note: BSK students interested in taking this course should complete/have completed PRC 2601, Preaching, by the end of this fall semester.

For BSK M.Div. students, this course will count as a free elective.

Host Institution



Website: [Theological Ecumenical Seminary | Minnesota](https://www.unitedts.edu/)

Term Dates: 1/10/2026 to 4/19/2026

Time Zone: Central Time Zone

Learning Management System (LMS): Canvas (not Populi)

Course Code and Title	RT4001: Bible and Palestine-Israel: Land, Promise, Conquest
Course Description	This course will introduce students to prominent methods of biblical interpretation on topics related to land, promise, and conquest in the Hebrew Bible, and their potential implications in contemporary Palestine-Israel. Prerequisites: RT2100 Hebrew Bible - basic knowledge of the Hebrew Bible strongly recommended. It will examine a diverse array of hermeneutic approaches to these biblical themes, with special emphasis on the notion of Promised Land derived from Hebrew scriptures. Students will engage and construct exegetical analyses of these texts in the Hebrew Bible, as well as the material-political texts in contemporary Palestine-Israel that are shaped by particular interpretations of these biblical themes and stories. Major additional themes covered in the course will include biblical archaeology, Zionism, contemporary history, settler colonialism, religious tourism, and interfaith peacebuilding.
Modality and Schedule	Synchronous Zoom, Tuesdays, 9:00 AM-12:15 PM (CT) [10:00 AM-1:15 PM (ET)]
Instructor	Dr. Jennifer Maidrand
Grading Options	Letter
Credit Hours	3
Prerequisites and Eligibility	Prerequisites: RT2100 Hebrew Bible - basic knowledge of the Hebrew Bible strongly recommended

Note: BSK students interested in taking this course should complete/have completed OTS 2501 (or OTS 2601), Introduction to the Old Testament, by the end of this fall semester.

For BSK M.Div. students, this course will count as a BHMT restricted elective (in the area of Biblical Studies) or as a free elective.