

# An Introduction to Biblical Hebrew

## *Learn Biblical Hebrew*

### Program description

The Institute for Biblical Languages and Translation (IBLT) runs a unique two-week course, *An Introduction to Biblical Hebrew*. The course is taught 90% in biblical Hebrew, a highly successful and efficient language learning method, and the ultimate goal is to initiate a state-of-the-art training track in biblical Hebrew for nation-wide translation projects.

*An Introduction to Biblical Hebrew* allows students to quickly and effectively learn biblical Hebrew within a naturally enjoyable learning process. Using oral teaching methods is known to be the best way in which a language is learned, even when reading is the primary goal. Students of this course have the opportunity to lay a foundation for true internalization of the biblical language.

Teachers and those with previous backgrounds in Hebrew are also encouraged to sign up and to participate in the course, as it provides a refreshment of the oral language. Participants will experience Hebrew from a different and new perspective. They will learn how to include listening and speaking pedagogies in a biblical language program and how to teach using biblical Hebrew itself.

**The completion of Living Biblical Hebrew 1, an online pre-requisite for this Intensive Course, also fulfils the pre-requisite requirements for The School of Biblical Hebrew. While not a requirement, successful completion of the *Introduction to Biblical Hebrew* intensive will give a stronger foundation to make the most out of our 9-month immersion program in Jerusalem.**

### Key Facts

Location	Course will be conducted on location in your institution.
Duration	2 weeks (negotiable)
Subject area	An introduction to biblical Hebrew
Faculty	At least 1 course teacher (PhD) will facilitate the program. Two teachers are active in the classroom at the same time in order to provide a more natural atmosphere for learning and understanding the language.

### Requirements

No prior experience in biblical Hebrew or modern Hebrew is required. A required online pre-course listening assignment will be given to all participants, *Living Biblical Hebrew, Part One* (LBH1). The course LBH1 can be taken online and takes approximately 45-50 hours for someone without a background in Hebrew. The student learns to understand the spoken descriptions of 1000 pictures without English, learns to read the alphabet, and then learns to read the descriptions of the 1000 pictures. Written notes in homework assignments and occasional evening lectures about theory for Biblical Hebrew will be in English.

### Accreditation

All participants who complete the program will receive an "attendance certificate." Those seeking credit at their home institution may request a "detailed certificate" which lists contact hours (for lectures and seminars), an assessment of their contribution to seminar discussions, grades achieved for written work, and the number of private study hours required.

Please note that those wishing to obtain credit from their home institution for attending this program must make appropriate arrangements with that institution in advance.

### Contact info

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