



Course Syllabus

Course name and code: PIO371 Servants of the Lord: Isaiah's Vision for Humanity

Course name and code (Estonian): PIO371 Issanda sulased - Jesaja nägemus inimkonnale

Course name and code (Russian): PIO371 Слуги Господни: Видение Исайи для человечества

Course value: 2 EAP

Goals of the course:

1. An understanding to the wholeness of the book of Isaiah
2. An appreciation for the book of Isaiah
3. A new determination to preach or teach Isaiah to others

Objectives of the course: Upon completion of the course the student will

1. Be able to explain the structure of the book and how that structure serves the overall message of the book
2. Be to recall the main theological emphases of the book
3. Will be able to communicate the message of Isaiah to others.

Content of the course:

Evaluation method: Graded (A-F)

Class and semester: Elective, spring semester 2025

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Course Schedule:

Date: 2.05.2025. Hours: 6.

Date: 3.05.2025. Hours: 4.

Assessment:

Requirements for receiving credit: Class participation at least 75% and completion of assignments according to the course syllabus.

Means of liquidating academic debts: Students may request an extension in writing to the lecturer before the due date, explaining the circumstances. After the deadline or extended due date, it is not possible to submit assignments.

All written assignments may be sent through the StrikePlagiarism plagiarism detection system. If plagiarism is detected, the student may be required to rewrite the assignment. Plagiarism to

a larger extent, may require the retaking of the subject. The student has the right to dispute the teacher's decision by appealing to the Rector's Council.

Required reading:

The Book of Isaiah

Oswalt, John N. *The Book of Isaiah, Chapters 1-39*; Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 1986, pp. 3-76.

Assignment 1:

Description: Report of the completion of the reading of Isaiah

Percentage of final grade: 10%

Deadline: 2.05.2025

Evaluation criteria: If reported complete on time – A, 90% on time – B, 80 % on time – C, 70% on time – D, 60% or less on time – F

Assignment 2:

Description: Report of the completion of the Oswalt reading

Percentage of final grade: 10%

Deadline: 31.05.2025

Evaluation criteria: If reported complete on time – A, 90% on time – B, 80 % on time – C, 70% on time – D, 60% or less on time – F

Assignment 3:

Description: A four-page reflection paper on the theme of Isaiah' Concept of the Character of the Servants of God in the Light of Chapters 56-66.

Percentage of final grade: 80%

Deadline: 31.05.2025

Evaluation criteria:

To receive an A, (Excellent) the submitted assignment must meet the following criteria:

1. Well-written, with complete sentences, proper spelling and punctuation.
2. Proper exegesis of the Biblical text.
3. Clear development of thought, with well supported assertions and arguments.
4. Conclusions that are clearly supported by discussion and evidence

To receive a B, (Very Good) Less clear achievement of the above criteria

To receive a C, (Good) Weak achievement of the above criteria

To receive a D, (Satisfactory) Superficial achievement of the above criteria with some inadequacies.

To receive an E, (Sufficient) Minimal achievement of the above criteria with several inadequacies

Receiving an F, (Insufficient) means that the student has not met the minimum requirements for passing the assignment.