

Syllabus

The Book of Revelation (without Greek), 7,5 ECTS-credits Uppenbarelseboken (icke-språklig), 7,5 högskolepoäng

Code	BV250R	Valid from	Spring 2023
Discipline	Biblical Studies	Issued	2012-02-21
Level	G2F, first cycle 2	Revised	2022-09-16

Entrance Qualifications

60 ECTS-credits in Theology including BV101C Gamla testamentet, baskurs, BV102C Nya testamentet, baskurs, and BV103C Bibelteologi 1, or equivalent.

Learning Outcomes

Knowledge and Understanding

At the end of the course the student is expected to

- demonstrate increased insight of the literary genre, the socio-political context, the contemporary religious world, and the structure and theology of the Book of Revelation, and
- demonstrate knowledge of the history of interpretation of the Book of Revelation.

Competence and skills

At the end of the course the student is expected to

- demonstrate advanced skills in reading and interpreting the Book of Revelation, including Jewish and early Christian apocalyptic literature, and
- demonstrate competence in evaluating interpretations of the Book of Revelation from different traditions.

Judgement and approach

At the end of the course the student is expected to

- demonstrate a hermeneutical awareness of the challenges involved in the task of reading and interpreting the Book of Revelation for today's church and society.

Course Content and Course Work

The Book of Revelation has a long and complex history of interpretation. How has this book been read and interpreted in the history of the church? How does this affect our reading today? Apart from these questions, the course will treat the socio-political setting of John the prophet and introduce the world of Jewish and early Christian apocalyptic literature. In particular, the course will focus on the theology of the Book of Revelation and on the task of reading, interpreting and explicating the Book of Revelation in the 21st century.

Assessment Forms

PM: Theological essay on a central theme in the Book of Revelation, 3500 words. (4,5 credits)

PM: Hermeneutical essay on the contemporary relevance of the Book of Revelation, 1500 words
or an essay on teaching the Book of Revelation in a church context, 1500 words. (2,5 credits)

* PM: Short review of a commentary, 700 words. (0,5 credits)

* is used to mark assessment forms where only a two graded scale is used (pass or fail). If the student has a decision from ALT regarding pedagogical support due to disability, the course coordinator has the right to provide a customized assessment.

Grading Scale

Pass with distinction, Pass or Fail.

Course Development

At the end of the course, the students are asked to complete a course evaluation. The results are compiled and commented on by the responsible teacher in a report which is available to the student union. Since the last time the course was given, the following changes have been made:

- No changes have been made.

Literature

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- Baukhham, Richard. 1993. *The Theology of the Book of Revelation*. Cambridge University Press. ISBN: 05-2135-691-1
- Blount, B. K. 2000. Reading Revelation Today: Witness as Active Resistance. *Interpretation* 54, 398–412.
- Craddock, F. B. 1986. Preaching the Book of Revelation. *Interpretation* 40, 270–282.
- Hanson, P. D. et al. 1992. Apocalypses and Apocalypticism. *Anchor Bible Dictionary* 1. New York: Doubleday, 279–291.
- Kraybill, N. J. 2010. *Apocalypse and Allegiance: Worship, Politics, and Devotion in the Book of Revelation*. Grand Rapids: Brazos. ISBN: 978-1-58743-261-3
- Yarbro Collins, A. 1986. Reading the Book of Revelation in the Twentieth Society, *Interpretation* 40, 229–242.

One of the following commentaries, total reading should be about 200 pages

- Aune, D. E. 1997–98. *Revelation*. 3 vols. WBC 52A–C. Dallas: Word Books Publications.
- Beale, G. K. 1998. *The Book of Revelation*. NIGTC. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans.
- Beale, G. K. with D. H. Campbell. 2015. *Revelation: A Shorter Commentary*. NIGTC. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans. ISBN: 978-0-8028-6621-9
- Beasley-Murray, G. R. 1981. *Revelation*. NCB. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans. ISBN: 0-8028-1885-4
- Caird, G. B. 1987. *The Revelation of St John the divine*. BNTC. London: A & C Black. ISBN: 0-7136-2621-6
- Ford, J. M. 1975. *Revelation*. AB. New York: Doubleday. ISBN: 978-0-3850-0895-2
- Keener, C. S. 1999. *Revelation*. NIVAC. Grand Rapids: Zondervan. ISBN: 978-0-3102-3192-9
- Koester, C. R. 2015. *Revelation: A New Translation with Introduction and Commentary*. AYBC. Yale University Press.
- Ladd, G. E. 1978. *A Commentary on the Revelation of John*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans. ISBN: 0-8028-3405-1
- Mounce, R. H. 1998. *The Book of Revelation*. Revised edition. NICNT. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans. ISBN: 0-8028-2537-0
- Resseguie, J. L. 2009. *The Revelation of John: A Narrative Commentary*. Grand Rapids: Baker. ISBN: 978-0-8010-3213-4
- Smalley, S. 2005. *The Revelation of John: A Commentary on the Greek Text of the Apocalypse*. InterVarsity Press. ISBN: 0-8308-2800-1