# COURSE INFORMATION

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<td>BASC80148 20A1</td>
<td>September 1, 8 &amp; 15 (3 WEEKS)</td>
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<th>INSTRUCTOR: Stephen Hall</th>
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<td>DAYS: Tuesday</td>
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<td>EMAIL: <a href="mailto:halls@uchicago.edu">halls@uchicago.edu</a></td>
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## GRAHAM SCHOOL INFORMATION

PHONE: 773.702.1722
WEBSITE: https://grahamschool.uchicago.edu

## PREREQUISITES
None

## ATTENDANCE POLICY
Students should register before the course begins.

## COURSE DESCRIPTION
In this very short course, we will read the narratives that include some of the women in the Book of Genesis. Leading roles would go to Eve, Sarah, Hagar, Rebekah, Rachel, Leah. In addition to these, other women have significant roles like Lot’s daughters and Tamar. These women are sometimes full characters and sometimes type cast. Women are also presented differently in legal texts than they are in narratives. Clearly, women in the Bible deserve a proper course, so this short course may serve as an introduction to a much longer course in the future.

## REQUIRED TEXT
A Bible of your choosing
If you would like a recommendation here it is: Robert Alter’s, *The Hebrew Bible: A Translation with Commentary* (New York, 2019).
WEEKLY READING SCHEDULE

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<th>WEEK</th>
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| Week 1  
Date: September 1st | All about Eve: Genesis 1-3 |
| Week 2  
Date: September 8th | Founding Mothers  
Sarah & Hagar: Genesis 12-25  
Rebekah, Rachel & Leah: Genesis 26-31 |
| Week 3  
Date: September 15th | “Other Women”  
Lot’s Daughters: Genesis 19  
Dinah of Shechem: Genesis 34  
Tamar: Genesis 38 |

This syllabus is a summary of course objectives and content, not a contract. All information in this syllabus is subject to change, with sufficient advance notice provided by the instructor.

CLASSROOM ETIQUETTE
As we may be addressing controversial topics in our class discussions, we expect students to be respectful and considerate of others.

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