



"Exceptional! Having studied Biblical Hebrew for a number of years now, I wished to consolidate my learning as well as to advance further in my studies. Dr Herring's OBHSS was outstanding and a complete game changer. His knowledge and passion for Biblical (Classical) Hebrew is second to none. Where I was not only able to consolidate my learning but learned a great deal more in depth about Biblical Hebrew, so much so that it has enabled me to confidently progress even further...It was a privilege to be taught by Dr Herring, and to gain insights into Biblical Hebrew that you simply cannot learn from a Hebrew Grammar. The course was intensive, thoughtful and well balanced - and I only wish it was longer than 2 weeks!"

Esther Fowler, MA, BA (hons) (OBHSS 2024)

"Having some prior knowledge of Hebrew, I still felt that I needed to consolidate and thoroughly revise my learning...Having attended Dr Herring's course I can recommend his thorough approach...Attending has proved the single most effective action I have taken towards learning and enjoying Hebrew—the benefits of attending far outweigh any cost."

Richard Bicknell, MTh student, Oxford (OBHSS 2023)

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OXFORD BIBLICAL HEBREW SUMMER SCHOOL 2025

The Oxford Biblical Hebrew Summer School will take place from [August 26 - September 5, 2025](#). This year the school is being offered online (via Zoom). The school offers nine days of intensive teaching in Biblical Hebrew. The course corresponds to two terms of intensive teaching for a full-time university student and is open to students with or without experience of the language.



The cost of the school is £290 per student for 27 hours of language instruction.

Application forms may be downloaded from the Centre's website under News ->Announcements

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Closing date: Friday 11 July 2025

“Truly inspiring! At the beginning, I was a bit nervous, but Stephen’s teaching style is so engaging and his love for the language is infectious that even the toughest grammar points felt accessible. The intensive online format was perfect for me – I loved how we dove deep into the material and had plenty of opportunities to practice. I’m amazed at how much I was able to understand and keep after just nine days! Even though we were virtual, it felt like a real classroom full of supportive classmates. I’m leaving this course with genuine excitement to keep learning.”

Sascha Grimmer (OBHSS 2024)

“Having learned Latin and Greek for the last seven years, I can honestly say that I have never had a teacher like Stephen, who has been able to impart information in such an accessible and stimulating way by using the fundamental building blocks of the language to make later and more difficult material deducible from first principles... Stephen was able to simulate the tone of a ‘real’ classroom as closely as possible, encouraging interjections on anything and everything with his characteristic patience, clarity, and mastery of Hebrew.”

Oliver Parkes (OBHSS 2020)

“The OBHSS is a great experience. Dr Herring covers a huge amount of ground in the course of two weeks – looking back at the end it is astonishing how far I have come. The teaching is excellent, attentive to the individual needs of students with different experiences of language-learning, and balanced between clear explanations of difficult topics, and realistic expectations of what’s possible in an intensive course. I’d strongly recommend this to anyone looking to make a start with Biblical Hebrew, or to accelerate rusty or beginner’s learning. “

Dr Kathryn Murphy (OBHSS 2018)

Fellow and Tutor in English, Oriel College

Associate Professor, English Faculty, University of Oxford

“A highly enjoyable two weeks of intense Hebrew studies, which went at a pace that was not at all too fast nor too slow, but met me at where I was. Having taken Hebrew for an academic year at Oxford, I took the summer school as an opportunity to consolidate, but the classes did so much more: Dr Herring was an engaging speaker with such a depth of knowledge in the language and content of Biblical Hebrew that he answered and engaged with all manner of questions from my inquisitive classmates, from the most basic to the most advanced of questions. Dr Herring engaged me and his encapsulating, enthralling lectures and translation sessions have motivated me to study Hebrew and the Hebrew Bible at a greater depth.”

Sea Yun Pius Joung, Oriel College, Oxford (OBHSS 2021)

Further details:

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The school offers nine days of intensive teaching in Biblical Hebrew. Each weekday there will be three hours of teaching, delivered in two separate 90-minute sessions, from 11.30-13.00 and 14.00-15.30 (UK time).

The OBHSS corresponds to two full terms of intensive teaching for a full-time university student. It is open to students with or without experience in the language.

For the former, it offers an opportunity to review and consolidate what they have previously learnt. For the latter, it will provide a strong foundation from which to begin formalized or private study of Biblical Hebrew.

Please complete and return the application form by email to Dr Stephen Herring: stephen.herring@ames.ox.ac.uk or mail to OBHSS, Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Clarendon Institute, Walton Street, Oxford, OX1 2HG

**Applications should be submitted
no later than Friday, 11 July 2025**

Places are limited