EGYPTIAN (EGYP)

EGYP 110a, Introduction to Classical Hieroglyphic Egyptian I  Vincent Morel
Introduction to the language of ancient pharaonic Egypt (Middle Egyptian) and its hieroglyphic writing system, with short historical, literary, and religious texts. Grammatical analysis with exercises in reading, translation, and composition.  L1

EGYP 117a, Elementary Biblical Coptic I  David Baldi
The native Egyptian language in the Roman and Byzantine periods. Thorough grounding in grammar and vocabulary of the Sahidic dialect as a basis for reading biblical, monastic, and Gnostic texts. Credit only on completion of EGYP 127.  L1  RP

EGYP 120b, Introduction to Classical Hieroglyphic Egyptian II  Mike Tritsch
Continuation of EGYP 110. Prerequisite: EGYP 110.  L2  RP

EGYP 127b, Elementary Biblical Coptic II  Camille Angelo
Continued study of the native Egyptian language in the Roman and Byzantine periods. Thorough grounding in grammar and vocabulary of the Sahidic dialect as a basis for reading biblical, monastic, and Gnostic texts. Prerequisite: EGYP 117.  L2  RP

* EGYP 131a, Intermediate Egyptian I: Literary Texts  John Darnell
This course engages in close reading of Middle Egyptian literary texts in hieroglyphic transcription, along with an introduction to the hieratic (cursive) Egyptian script of the original sources. Primary sources include the Middle Kingdom stories, principally those known by the modern titles “The Story of Sinuhe” and “The Tale of the Eloquent Peasant.” Assigned secondary literature includes reviews of grammatical topics in Middle Egyptian and analyses of the cultural, religious, and historical context of the literary texts. We also read portions of texts from other genres—historical, administrative, etc.—that serve to illuminate concepts and practices appearing in the literary compositions. Prerequisite: EGYP 120 or permission of instructor.  L3

* EGYP 141b, Intermediate Egyptian: Historical Texts  Vincent Morel
Close reading of Middle Egyptian historical texts in original hieroglyphic and hieratic script. Initial survey of ancient Egyptian historiography and grammatical forms peculiar to this genre of text. Prerequisite: EGYP 120. Counts as L4 if taken after EGYP 131.  L3  RP

* EGYP 229a, Ancient Egyptian Epistolography  John Darnell
This course engages in close reading of ancient Egyptian letters, along with the development of further proficiency in the hieratic (cursive) Egyptian script (students who have no previous experience with hieratic are given an introduction to the writing system). Primary sources include material of Old Kingdom, Middle Kingdom, New Kingdom, and Third Intermediate Period date. Assigned secondary literature includes analyses of the cultural, religious, and historical context of the letters. Prerequisite: At least one L3 or L4 course or permission of instructor.  L5  RP