

# *Religious Studies 210*

## Identified:

**Civic Discourse  
Communication  
Digital Literacy**

## Assignment (Covers All):

In order to develop the student's ability to express themselves clearly and articulately in writing, I have assigned two papers in this course.

In the first paper the student will “*Describe the relationship between Polytheism, Monotheism, and Henotheism in Ancient Israel and Judah.*” Students are expected to reference lecture notes, assigned readings, external sources (such as JSTOR, the Library, NO Websites! etc.), and the biblical literature.

This paper must be at least six full pages in length (1500-1600 words). This paper must be submitted through Blackboard.

In the second paper, the student will “*contextualize the persons of David and Solomon within the archaeological and literary record of the Northern Kingdom of Israel and the Southern Kingdom of Judah.*” Students will be expected to present both archeological and literary evidence as well as take a stand as to what can be known about these figures, if anything, based on the publically available evidence.

This paper must be 5 full pages in length (1400-1500 words). Moreover, it must be submitted through Blackboard no later than 11:59 pm.

Let me just emphasize that no paper will be read that suffers from glaring deficiencies in either formatting or grammar. It is thusly recommended that each student proofreads his or her submissions multiple times.

**Format:** double-spaced, one-inch margins, 12-point Times New Roman font

**MLA Guidelines:** All papers for this course should be in MLA format. If you follow the guidelines you learned in English 101 and/or 102, you should be fine. If you need to brush up on MLA format, consult Blackboard for a list of MLA formatting requirements. Pay special attention to the section on parenthetical citations. You will need to use this kind of citation when you refer to texts in your paper.