

## *Bible Interpretation in Diverse Communities: Methods, Perspectives, Challenges*

**Summer School of the Centre for Contextual Biblical Interpretation at the Protestant Theological University and the Faculty of Religion and Theology of Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, IN UTRECHT 6<sup>th</sup>–11<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

### **Program**

	Sunday 6 July	Monday 7 July	Tuesday 8 July	Wednesday 9 July	Thursday 10 July	Friday 11 July
9:30	Visiting local communities & activities <b>[self-responsible]</b>	Session 1: Welcome, introduction to the week, getting to know each other <b>Team</b>	Session 4: Exilic interpretations of the Scriptures <b>Eveline van Staalduine-Sulman</b>	Exposure 1 (10:00–11:30) Catharijneconvent – <b>Rianneke van der Houwen</b>	Session 7: Bible interpretation and the quest for translation: interactive panel <b>NBG</b>	Session 10: Bible interpretation through art at large: what about images, music and much more? <b>Hanna Rijken</b>
11:00		Coffee & Tea break	Coffee & Tea break		Coffee & Tea break	Coffee & Tea break
11:30		Session 2: The researcher and Bible using communities: Methodological questions in an interdisciplinary fashion <b>Dorottya Nagy</b>	Session 5: Migratory Interpretations of the New Testament <b>An-Ting Yi &amp; Jake Awidi</b>	Commute and lunch (11:30–13:30)	Session 8: Using the Bible in different coloniality contexts <b>Eva Abel &amp; Vincent Kalvin Wenno</b>	Session 11: Drawing the lines together: Interactive session on how far we got during this week; workshop in teams based on the question: Methods, perspectives and challenges <b>Team</b>
13:00		Lunch break	Lunch break		Lunch break	
14:30		Session 3: Methods and methodological questions in Contextual Biblical Interpretation; Biblical Hermeneutics and positionality <b>Peter-Ben Smit &amp; Klaas Spronk</b>	Session 6: Bible interpretation and public theology <b>Dion Forster &amp; Janneke Stegeman</b>	Exposure 2 (13:30–15:00) Dienstencentrum – Israel and Palestine <b>Wilma Wolswinkel</b>  Reflection and discussion (15:00–16:00)	Session 9: Bible interpretation and inter-religious living together <b>Matthea Westerduin</b>	Wrapping up, handing certificate, lunch together (13:00–15:00)

16:00		Free times and social activities	Free times and social activities	Free times and social activities	Free times and social activities	Free times and social activities
-------	--	----------------------------------	----------------------------------	----------------------------------	----------------------------------	----------------------------------

Draft version: 18 February 2025

**Webpage:** <https://utrechtsummerschool.nl/courses/humanities/biblical-interpretation-in-diverse-communities>

**Venue:** Drift 25, Room 203, 3512 BR, Utrecht

**Dienstencentrum Protestantse Kerk:** Joseph Haydnlaan 2A, 3533 AE, Utrecht

**Mesuem Catharijneconvent:** Lange Nieuwstraat 38, 3512 PH, Utrecht