

Coptic Orthodox Patriarchate
Diocese of Mississauga, Vancouver and Western Canada
St Paul Theological Seminary

Course Designator: **COPTL I**
Title: **Introduction to Coptic Language**
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Course Description:

The course will covers the following:

1. Etymology of the word 'Coptic'.
2. Origin of the Coptic Letters
3. The reason for the use of some Greek words and hymns in the Coptic Liturgy
4. Pronunciation of the Coptic Letters
5. Reading Coptic
6. Some conversational and Liturgical words and short sentences.
7. Some simple Coptic grammar.

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Course Grading System:

Attendance	10%
In Class Participation	20%
Final Exam	70%