Language: Hebrew
From Scratch to the Bible. The course is a 10 ECTS crash course in Biblical Hebrew. You will be trained in basic Hebrew grammar, enough to make you able to read biblical texts such as Genesis and the Book of Psalms.

The course is taught as e-learning, including a two-hour weekly video conference call via Zoom. It will be taught in the 'flipped classroom' style, meaning that you will watch online video lectures as part of your preparation for class. This means that we will not have to use time on lectures in class, giving students more time to having their queries cleared up. The lectures and textbook are found here: http://ehrensvard.dk/?Hebrew. Alternatively, you can find the videos on this playlist: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLQF_QRC5FPNgx3fyK4kEINXCKbQdote5q

Weekly Zoom class
We will meet on Zoom on Wednesdays from 13:15-14:45 CET. It's always the same Zoom room, https://ucph-ku.zoom.us/j/5275448182. There's no password. Students present in Copenhagen are welcome to come to my office for the classes. I will audio record the classes and share them with you in Canvas. We will use Copenhagen's Canvas, called Absalon.

Reading for the first class
For the first class, please read the Wikipedia entry on biblical Hebrew: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Biblical_Hebrew. Then watch the first three videos and complete exercise 1. Please also read exercise 1 aloud to yourself or your study partners three times, so as to practice reading Hebrew.

Time period
Teaching: Week 6-18, thus the first class will be on 4. February and the last class will be on 29. April I'm unable to teach on 25. March. There will be a break for Easter, so there will be no classes on 1. April. Please note further that I will be on holiday in the week of 18. February. I will teach anyway, but there will be no option to come to my office for IRL teaching.

Compact seminar
During week 11, there will be a compact seminar in Copenhagen. Hebrew class that week will be IRL on Monday, 9. March, 9:15-10:45. So, no Hebrew class on Wednesday 11. March.

Reading week by week
4. February. For the first class, please read the Wikipedia entry on biblical Hebrew: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Biblical_Hebrew. Then watch the first three videos and complete exercise 1. Please also read exercise 1 aloud to yourself or your study partners three times, so as to practice reading Hebrew.
11. February. For this class, please watch lessons 4-5 and complete exercises 2-3.
18. February. Watch lessons 6-7 and complete exercises 4-5. Please note, I'm on holiday this week. I will teach via Zoom at our regular Wednesday time but will not be present in my office in Copenhagen.
25. February. Watch lessons 8-9 and complete exercises 6-7.
4. March. Watch lessons 10-11 and complete exercises 8-9.
9. March. Compact seminar; face-to-face Hebrew class in Copenhagen (timing 9:15-10:45) in room 8B-0-54. Repetition of grammar, please look over the exercises we have completed so far. The usual Zoom room will be open for students not attending the compact seminar or not present in Copenhagen.
18. March. Watch lessons 12-13 and complete exercise 10-11.
8. April. Watch lesson 14-15 and complete exercise 12-13.
15. April. Watch lesson 16 and read, translate, and analyze Genesis 1, verse 1-5.
22. April. Watch lesson 16 again and read, translate and analyze Genesis 1, verse 6-12. Please note, I'm on holiday this week. I will teach via Zoom at our regular Wednesday time but will not be present in my office in Copenhagen.
29. April. Watch lesson 16 one more time and read, translate and analyze Genesis 1, verse 13-21.

Syllabus
Genesis 1-4; Psalm 24.

Examination
For the exam you will be asked to transliterate, translate, and linguistically comment upon a text from the syllabus. The text will be a few verses long. You will receive the text on 30. April at noon CET and should hand in your paper in our digital exam system before 1. May at noon CET.

NB: Note that you must receive and hand in the exam question in the digital system. Make sure that you have access and that you check our UCPH email daily – or set up a forward so that you receive UCPH mail with your regular email.

Literature:
TEXT BOOK: 'Biblical Hebrew' (this is an unpublished work and it is found here http://bit.ly/1RJ85TC);
GRAMMAR: Thomas Lambdin, An Introduction to Biblical Hebrew;
BIBLE: Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia or http://biblehub.com/text/deuteronomy/5-1.htm etc.
VIDEO LECTURES are found on this page: http://ehrensvard.dk/?Hebrew, or here:
https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLQF_QRC5FPNgx3fyK4kEINXCKbQdote5q

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