The mission of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary is to equip leaders to fulfill the Great Commission and the Great Commandments through the local church and its ministries.

**Purpose of the Course**

The purpose of this course is to provide specialized training in leadership for women in ministry to women through the local.

**Core Value Focus**

Each academic year, a core value is emphasized. This academic year, the core value is *Mission Focus*. "We are not here merely to get an education or to give one. We are here to change the world by fulfilling the Great Commission and the Great Commandments through the local church and its ministries."

**Curriculum Competencies Addressed**

This course will address the following curriculum competencies:

1. **Biblical Exposition**: The student will explore biblical teachings about leadership.
2. **Christian Theological Heritage**: The student will explore theological and historical background for leading other women.
3. **Disciple Making**: The student will learn to facilitate spiritual growth in Christian women.
4. **Interpersonal Skills**: The student will improve interpersonal communication as well as ministry skills.
5. **Servant Leadership**: The student will discover how to lead others toward spiritual maturity and use of spiritual gifts.
6. **Spiritual and Character Formation**: The student will develop personal and spiritual maturity as she begins to lead others.
7. **Worship Leadership**: The student will increase skills for leading in the church.
Course Description
This course is designed to review specific leadership strategies which could be effectively employed in leading the women’s ministry program of a local church.

Student Learning Outcomes
By the completion of this course, the student should be able to accomplish the following:
1. Explore her own leadership style.
2. Examine different styles of leading and learning.
3. Understand the unique challenges of leadership.
4. Integrate the essentials of leadership in the local church.
5. Implement personal leadership skills in her ministry context.

Required Readings
The following texts and resources are required reading for class discussions and are to be read in their entirety unless otherwise specified.


Textbooks can be purchased and ordered at any LifeWay store or online at www.lifeway.com or from any other book retailers that carry them.

Course Teaching Methodology
Units of Study. Topics will include:
1. What is Leadership
2. Biblical Foundations for Women as Leaders
3. Essentials of Leadership
4. Leadership Profiles
5. Styles of Leadership
6. The Disciplined Life of a Leader
7. Skills of Leadership
8. Leadership Development
9. Leadership Challenges
10. Methodology for Leadership/Conclusion

Assignments and Evaluation Criteria
Teaching Method. This course will utilize lecture and interactive discovery-learning and will be team-taught. The student should expect different presentation formats to enhance the learning motif.
Netiquette: Appropriate Online Behavior

Each student is expected to demonstrate appropriate Christian behavior when working online on Discussion Boards or whenever interaction occurs through web, digital, or other electronic medium. The student is expected to interact with other students in a fashion that will promote learning and respect for the opinions of others in the course. A spirit of Christian charity is expected at all times in the online environment.

Assignments and Evaluation Criteria

1. Students will attend class as stated in the graduate catalog.

2. Students will participate in class discussion including a separate session for graduate students.

3. Students will read the assigned textbooks and provide a written statement of completion which will be due four weeks from the last day of class.

4. Students will complete a project as described which will be due within four weeks after the last day of class.

Project

The project will include the evaluation of your own leadership style and establishment of your personal leadership goals. Evaluate yourself as a leader by considering all components of the class and the results of your leadership inventory. Develop your own mission statement as a leader then list some specific goals for your future as a leader. Also discuss how you plan to evaluate your fulfillment of these goals.

This report should be ten to fifteen pages, typed double spaced following A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses and Dissertations by Kate Turabian, published by University of Chicago Press.

5. Students will complete a take home final examination. It will be due within four weeks after completing the last day of class.

The reading statement, book review, purpose statement, and final exam should be mailed to Dr. Rhonda Kelley, NOBTS, 3939 Gentilly Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70126 or emailed to rkelley@nobts.edu.

Course Evaluation

This course will follow the grading system for the Graduate School:

- A = 93 – 100  ¼ = Class Attendance/Participation
- B = 85-92  ¼ = Textbook
- C = 77-84  ¼ = Project
- D = 70-76  ¼ = Take Home Final Examination
- F = Below 70
Course Schedule

Week One: What is Leadership  
_Begins: August 24th_

Week Two: Essentials of Leadership  
_Begins: August 31st_

Week Three: Styles of Leadership  
_Begins: September 7th_

Week Four: The Disciplined Life of a Leader  
_Begins: September 14th_

Week Five: Leadership Development  
_Begins: September 21st_

Week Six: Skills of Leadership  
_Begins: September 28th_

Week Seven: Leadership Challenges  
_Begins: October 5th_

Week Eight: Methodology for Leadership/Conclusion  
_Begins: October 12th_

Selected Bibliography


**Internet Sources**

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- InJoy - Leading to Excellence [www.injoy.com](http://www.injoy.com)
- Leadership Journal Magazine [www.leadershipjournal.net](http://www.leadershipjournal.net)
- Just Between Us Magazine [www.justbetweenus.org](http://www.justbetweenus.org)
- P.L.A.C.E. Ministries [www.placeministries.org](http://www.placeministries.org)
- Visioneering [www.christianbooks.com](http://www.christianbooks.com)
- LifeWay Women’s Ministry [www.lifeway.com](http://www.lifeway.com)