

**Mission Statement**

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.

**Course Purpose, Core Value Focus, and Curriculum Competencies Addressed**

- **Course Purpose:** To give training and experience in personal witnessing under the guidance of a qualified supervisor.
- **Core Value Focus:** Mission Focus.
- **Annual Core Value:**
- **Curriculum Competencies Addressed:** Disciple Making Competency.

**Course Description**

The purpose of this course is to give the student evangelistic tools and supervised training and experience in sharing the Gospel with non-Christians. In addition, the student will receive some exposure to materials to use in teaching others how to witness.

**Objectives**

In order to stimulate evangelistic church growth and health, the students, by the end of the course, should:

1. Be able to apply their knowledge and comprehension of the ministry of personal evangelism, approaches to personal evangelism, and the biblical and theological aspects of personal evangelism to stimulate evangelistic church growth and health through mobilizing the church for evangelism.
2. Organize sharing the Gospel with non-Christians into their lifestyle.
3. Be able to share the Gospel with non-Christians.
4. Be able to train others in the use of various evangelistic tools for sharing the Gospel with non-Christians.

Course Teaching Methodology

This course will be composed of class lectures and discussions, periodic evaluation over course reading material, small group activities and accountability, and the personal involvement of students in local church evangelism.

Textbooks


Requirements

1. **TEXTBOOKS AND PARTICIPATION.** Students will complete assigned readings of the textbooks and watch or listen to messages according to the course requirements and schedule as specified in the syllabus and Blackboard.

2. **EVANGELISM TEAM.** Students will spend 1.5 hours per week for 10 weeks in a personal evangelism ministry through a local church. Teams will turn in a weekly report of their witnessing experiences. The student will turn in *Evangelism Team Information* during Week 2. The team is responsible for insuring that their supervisor is familiar with Supervisor Training Presentation available through the SM Website: [http://www.nobts.edu/SupervisedMinistry/SupMin1/Default.html](http://www.nobts.edu/SupervisedMinistry/SupMin1/Default.html). *The Supervisor Training Verification* should be secured and turned in during Week 4. The team will also meet with their supervisor twice during the semester to evaluate the team’s ministry. The team supervisor will complete an evaluation of each student’s ministry at the end of the semester (all forms are available at the Supervised Ministry website and at Blackboard). **Due: Week 14.**

3. **THE PRAY.** Students will memorize the *PRAY* presentation of the Gospel. Memorization must include the verses of Scripture which accompany the *PRAY presentation* (students may choose which translation they desire to use). A mid-term exam will be given to assess students’ understanding and comprehension of the *PRAY* presentation of the Gospel. **Due: Mid-Term Exam – Week 7.**

4. **EVANGELISM REFLECTIONS.** Students will submit two typed verbatim accounts and four typed reflection papers (see attached form) from personal witnessing experiences in which the student shared the Gospel with an unbeliever during the semester. The evangelism reflections should be completed and turned in during class.
Due: Verbatim Account 1 and Reflections 1, 2 (Using Your Testimony) due during Week 8; Verbatim Account 2 and Reflections 3, 4 (Using PRAY Presentation) due Week 14.

5. **RESEARCH PROJECT.** Students will analyze 7 personal evangelism training resources. Students will be divided in groups during Week 4 to work on the presentation that is due **Week 13**. Students will employ Wiki for preparation of the project.

6. **FINAL EXAM.** Students will complete the final comprehensive exam which will cover all of the materials examined in class during **Week 14**.

**Course Evaluation**

Although it should go without saying, students are expected to exercise the highest of ethics and integrity in keeping with the character of Christ when completing all assignments. The grading scale and attendance requirements will be according to those outlined in the current *Academic Catalogue*. The value of assignments will be as follows:

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**Note:** Late work is penalized at the rate of 4 points per day. **A student must complete ALL of the above assignments in order to pass the class.**

**Netiquette: Appropriate Online Behavior**

Each student is expected to demonstrate appropriate Christian behavior when working online on the Discussion Board. 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.
## Course Schedule

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### Unit 1 (Week 1)
- Introduction & Syllabus
- Mentors/Supervisors - What is their Role? What is Your Role?

### Unit 2 (Week 2-3)
- APE – Introduction, Chapter 1
- OO – Session 4
- Listen to or watch “Recapturing the Holiness of God”

#### Evangelism Team Information Due

### Unit 3 (Week 4)
- APE – Chapter 2
- OO – Session 6
- Watch or listen to “Dealing with Sin”

#### Supervisor Training Verification

### Unit 4 (Week 5)
- APE – Chapter 3
- OO – Session 1
- Watch or listen to “The Glory of God in Ministry”

#### Class Divided in Groups to Work on Personal Evangelism Tools

### Unit 5 (Week 6)
- APE – Chapter 4
- OO – Session 2
- Listen to or watch “Sharing your Story”

### Unit 6 (Week 7)
- APE – Chapter 5
- Your Testimony must be submitted to whativaluemost.com

#### Mid-Term Exam

### Unit 7 (Week 8-9)
- APE – Chapter 6
- OO – Session 5
- Listen to or watch “The Lord’s Prayer”

#### Due: 1 Verbatim Account and 2 Evangelism Reflections using Your Testimony

### Unit 8 (Week 10)
- APE – Chapter 7
- OO – Session 3
Unit 9 (Week 11)
APE – Chapter 8
Listen to or watch “How to Maximize your Influence”
Research on Various Personal Evangelism Tools
Group Work

Unit 10 (Week 12-13)
APE – Chapter 9
Research on Various Personal Evangelism Tools
Group Work
Personal Evangelism Tools Presentation Due

Unit 11 (Week 14)
Supervisor Evaluation Form Due
Evangelism Team Weekly Report Form Due
Due: 1 Verbatim Account and 2 Evangelism Reflections using PRAY Presentation
Final Exam
EVANGELISM REFLECTION #______

NAME: ___________________________________________ DATE: ___________________________

CONTEXT:

- Person with whom you shared: _______________________________________________________
- Accompanied by: _________________________________________________________________
- Opportunity a result of: ___________________________________________________________

INTERACTION

- What did you learn about this person?
- How did you transition into sharing the gospel?
- Evangelistic tool/specific gospel presentation used:
- In your opinion, how clear was your explanation of the gospel message? Did you leave out any of the elements of the Gospel?
- What key issues and/or questions surfaced during your conversation?
- Where there any hindrances to your conversation?
- How did you address these hindrances?
- Did you call for a response? Why or why not? If you did, how did they respond?
- If the person did not respond positively, what do you think is preventing him/her from receiving Christ?
- What plans did you make to talk again?

EVALUATION

- What did you do well?
- What would you do differently next time?
- What did this experience teach you about disciple-making?
Selected Bibliography


