



Foundations in Ministry to Women
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Mission Statement

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and Leavell College prepare servants to walk with Christ, proclaim His truth, and fulfill His mission.

Core Value Focus

The seminary has five core values: Doctrinal Integrity, Spiritual Vitality, Mission Focus, Characteristic Excellence, and Servant Leadership. The core value focus for this academic year 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. The doctrinal statements used in our evaluations are our Articles of Religious Belief and the Baptist Faith and Message Statement.

Curriculum Competencies Addressed

All graduates of NOBTS are expected to have at least a minimum level of competency in each of the following areas: Biblical Exposition, Christian Theological Heritage, Disciple Making, Interpersonal Skills, Servant Leadership, Spiritual and Character Formation, and Worship Leadership. The curriculum competencies addressing in this course are: Disciple Making, Servant Leadership, and Spiritual and Character Formation.

Course Catalog Description

This course is designed to provide the understanding and skills necessary to begin and implement women's ministry in the local church. Special attention will be given to the purpose, philosophy, planning, programming, and potential leader development of ministry to women.

Student Learning Outcomes

By the completion of the course, each student will be able to:

1. Articulate clearly the purpose and philosophy of women's ministry in the local church through class discussions and textbook readings.
2. Demonstrate skills in planning and programming for women in a local church setting through research presentations and ministry plan development.
3. Value the effectiveness of leadership development and training through attending women's ministry events and interviewing women's ministry leaders.

Textbooks

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

Required Texts

King, Kelly. *Ministry to Women: The Essential Guide for Leading Women in the Local Church*. Nashville, TN: LifeWay Press, 2018.

Furman, Gloria & Kathleen Nielson, eds. *Word-Filled Women's Ministry: Loving and Serving the Church*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2015.

Course Teaching Methodology

Units of Study. Topics will include:

1. Purpose of Ministry to Women
2. History of Ministry to Women in the SBC
3. Leadership Essentials pt. 1 (The Life of the Leader)
4. Equipped for Ministry / Spiritual Gifts
5. Leadership Essentials pt. 2 (Staffing/Training/Equipping)
6. Beginning a Ministry to Women
7. Connecting the Generations
8. Making Disciples
9. Meeting Ministry Needs
10. Gathering Women Together (Special Events)
11. Reaching Out (Evangelism & Missions)
12. Ministry Planning
13. Publicity and Promotion
14. Building Your Network (Resources)

Teaching Method. This course will utilize textbook reading, slideshow presentations, and interactive discovery-learning.

Course Requirements

1. **Reading Contract/Class Participation.** The student is expected to complete the ongoing reading assignments in preparation for each class day, and then submit a signed statement at the end of the course, indicating what percentage of the textbooks you have read. **Due: December 14**

On Campus Class Participation:

Classroom participation is determined by attendance, completion of all reading assignments prior to the scheduled class time, and active participation in classroom discussions and activities.

Flex Participation:

If you are taking this course as a NOLA2U Flex student, please note the following attendance policies:

1. You are required to be in class either through viewing the lectures live or viewing the recorded lectures on Blackboard. When you view the recorded lecture, you will be considered present for that class. Regardless of if you watch the class live or recorded, you are only allowed to miss the amount of class time specified in the NOBTS attendance policy as stated in the graduate catalog. (See page 184 in the graduate catalog: https://www.nobts.edu/_resources/pdf/academics/GraduateCatalog.pdf).
2. You will be asked to certify that you have been present for the live session or have viewed the

recorded session. This certification will be done through Dr. Emily Dean after having watched the class live or viewing the recorded session.

3. All video lectures are available for 7 days after the video is posted. If you are unable to view the video within that time frame, you will be considered absent for that class session.

4. Technical issues will not be considered a valid reason for missing a lecture.

2. Annotated Bibliography. The student will develop an annotated bibliography of at least 20 works on subjects related to ministry to women including disciple making, meeting ministry needs, lay counseling, event planning, missions, & outreach. The document should be typed using Turabian format and should include the bibliographical information for each item along with a 3-4 sentence description of the work. **Due: October 15**

3. Mission Area Presentation. The student will present on an assigned SBC affiliated mission agency. In the presentation, the student should address (1) the purpose of the mission agency; (2) what this mission agency has to offer a local church women's ministry as well as individual participants; and (3) if applicable, how a local church women's ministry can work with this mission agency. The presentation should include a slideshow with 10-15 slides. On campus students will present in class. Flex students will submit the slideshow along with audio or video to present the information. **Due: November 3**

4. Events and Interviews.

a. Attend at least two women's ministry events this semester (church-based, regional, or seminary). Write a one-page paper for each event, briefly describing the event but spending more time reflecting on the value of the event in an attendee's life. *Due to the current situation, online events will be acceptable for this assignment.*

b. Conduct two interviews with leaders of women's ministries (one local church paid staff and one local church volunteer layperson if possible). Submit a typed summary of the findings from the interviews which should include but are not limited to: (1) the leader's philosophy of ministry; (2) hints/guidelines this leader uses in program planning; (3) ways this leader develops leaders within her ministry; and (4) the 'take-away' or highlight of the interview. Current Turabian guidelines for title page and format are to be followed. **Due: December 3**

5. Ministry Plan. Each student will develop a year-long ministry plan for women based in a local church. This programming should reflect content from the textbooks, discussions from class, information from the interviews you have conducted, and one's own ideas about planning for women. The student will begin with a paragraph or two summarizing her philosophy of women's ministry and continue by presenting a scripture focus for the ministry, and then develop programming and special events to support all of this. When an event or program is named, it should be included with an explanation of why it is included as well as the target audience. What will be the content focus of the event or program (for example: name specific Bible studies to be used with rationale for their inclusion)? Include a women's retreat or conference as well as at least two other special events spaced throughout the year. **Due: December 14**

Course Evaluation

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

A = 93-100	Reading Contract	15%
B = 85-92	Class Participation	15%
C = 77-84	Annotated Bibliography	15%
D = 70-76	Missions Presentation	15%
F = Below 70	Events & Interviews	20%
	Ministry Plan	20%

Course Schedule

Unit One (August 25/27):

Introductions; review syllabus; Purpose of Ministry to Women (Ministry to Women Ch. 1, WFWM Ch. 1)

Unit Two (September 1/3):

History of Ministry to Women in SBC (Additional reading as assigned)

Unit Three (September 8/10):

Leadership Essentials pt. 1 (WFWM Ch. 2 & additional reading as assigned)

Unit Four (September 15/17):

Equipped for Ministry / Spiritual Gifts (WFWM Ch. 4 & 9)

Unit Five (September 22/24):

Leadership Essentials pt. 2 (Ministry to Women Ch. 2, WFWM Ch. 3)

Unit Six (September 29/October 1):

Beginning a Ministry to Women (Additional reading as assigned)

September 29 – Special Event - Collaborative class

Unit Seven (October 6/8):

Connecting the Generations (Ministry to Women Ch. 4, WFWM Ch. 7)

Unit Eight (October 13/15):

Making Disciples (Ministry to Women Ch. 3)

FALL BREAK

Unit Nine (October 27/29):

Meeting Ministry Needs (Ministry to Women Ch. 7, WFWM Ch. 8)

Unit Ten (November 3/5):

Gathering Women Together (Ministry to Women Ch. 6)

Missions Presentations

Unit Eleven (November 10/12):

Reaching Out (Ministry to Women Ch. 8, WFWM, Ch. 5 & 6)

Unit Twelve (November 17/19):

Ministry Planning (Ministry to Women Ch. 9)

THANKSGIVING WEEK

Unit Thirteen (December 1/3):
Online Week
Publicity and Promotion (Ministry to Women Ch. 5)

Unit Fourteen (December 8/10):
Online Week
Building Your Network (WFWM Ch. 10)

Course Policies

Technical Assistance

For assistance regarding technology, consult ITC (504-816-8180) or the following websites:

1. Selfserve@nobts.edu - Email for technical questions/support requests with the Selfserve.nobts.edu site (Access to online registration, financial account, online transcript, etc.)
2. BlackboardHelpDesk@nobts.edu - Email for technical questions/support requests with the NOBTS Blackboard Learning Management System NOBTS.Blackboard.com.
3. ITCSupport@nobts.edu - Email for general technical questions/support requests.
4. www.NOBTS.edu/itc/ - General NOBTS technical help information is provided on this website.

Writing Style Guide

Writing assignments should follow the NOBTS/Leavell College Manual of Form and Style (revised August 2019). To access this manual on the seminary website, please use the following link:

<https://www.nobts.edu/resources/pdf/writing/StyleGuide.pdf>.

Help for Writing Papers at “The Write Stuff”

NOBTS maintains a Writing Center designed to improve English writing at the graduate level. Students can receive writing guides, tips, and valuable information to help in becoming a better writer.

Academic Policies

Academic policies related to absences, grading scale, final examination schedules, and other topics can be found in the current online catalog: [New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary Graduate Catalog](#).

Policy for Graduating Seniors

Graduating Seniors are responsible for alerting the professor of your intention to graduate. All of your assignments must be completed by noon (12:00 PM) on the Wednesday prior to commencement exercises.

Netiquette

Netiquette refers to appropriate online behavior in Blackboard or other online discussions. 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.

Academic Honesty Policy

All graduate and undergraduate NOBTS students, whether on-campus, internet, or extension center students, are expected to adhere to the highest Christian standard of honesty and integrity when completing academic assignments for all courses in every delivery system format. The Bible provides our standard for academic integrity and honesty. This standard applies whether a student is taking tests, quizzes, exams, writing papers, completing Discussion Boards, or any other course requirement.

Plagiarism on Written Assignments

NOBTS has a no tolerance policy for plagiarism. Plagiarism in certain cases may result in expulsion from the seminary. See the NOBTS Student Handbook for definition, penalties, and policies associated with plagiarism.

Late Work

An automatic 5-point deduction will be taken for work submitted after the due date. Additional points will be deducted based on the number of days the submission is late. Requirements must be received by the end of each semester or the student will receive a course grade of an “F”.

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Student Services

This is a partial list of NOBTS student services available to all students, no matter your delivery system or location. If you have questions or do not see what you need here, please refer to www.nobts.edu/student-services, email us at studentservices@nobts.edu, or call the Dean of Students office at 800-662-8701, ext. 3283. We are glad to assist you!

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Advising – Graduate Program	studentservices@nobts.edu	504.282.4455 x3312	www.nobts.edu/registrar/default.html#advising
Advising – Undergraduate Program	lcadminasst@nobts.edu	504.816.8590	www.nobts.edu/LeavellCollege
Church Minister Relations (for ministry jobs)	cmr@nobts.edu	504.282.4455 x3291	www.nobts.edu/CMR
Financial Aid	financialaid@nobts.edu	504.282.4455 x3348	www.nobts.edu/financialaid
PREP (help to avoid student debt)	Prepassistant1@nobts.edu	504.816.8091	www.nobts.edu/prep
Gatekeeper NOBTS news	pr@nobts.edu	504.816.8003	nobtsgatekeeper.wordpress.com
Information Technology Center	itcsupport@nobts.edu	504.816.8180	selfserve.nobts.edu
Help with Blackboard	blackboardhelpdesk@nobts.edu	504.816.8180	nobts.blackboard.com
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Online library resources	library@nobts.edu	504.816.8018	http://www.nobts.edu/research-links/default.html
Writing and Turabian style help	library@nobts.edu	504.816.8018	http://www.nobts.edu/writing/default.html
Guest Housing (Providence Guest House)	ph@nobts.edu	504.282.4455 x4455	www.provhouse.com
Student Counseling	lmccc@nobts.edu	504.816.8004	www.nobts.edu/student-services/counseling-services.html
Women’s Programs	womensacademic@nobts.edu	504.282.4455 x3334	www.nobts.edu/women

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- LALINC for Louisiana students
- Florida Virtual Library (<http://www.flelibrary.org/>) for Florida students
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