



**Lifestyle Witnessing for Women
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Discipleship and Ministry Leadership Division
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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 **Spiritual Vitality**: We are a worshiping community, with both personal spirituality and gathering together as a Seminary for the praise and adoration of God and instruction in His Word. The doctrinal statements used in our evaluations are our Articles of Religious Belief and the Baptist Faith and Message Statement.

Curriculum Competencies

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 addressed in this course are: Biblical Exposition, Christian Theological Heritage, Disciple Making, and Spiritual and Character Formation.

Course Description

This course is designed to thoroughly discuss the nature of witnessing, the personal character of the witness, and the process of witnessing in order to empower women as personal witnesses and as leaders in witness training.

Student Learning Outcomes

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

1. Explore the nature of witnessing.
2. Understand how to be an effective witness.
3. Be familiar with witness training resources.

4. Implement strategies for evangelistic appeals and evangelistic events in her church women's ministry.

Textbooks

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

1. Rainer, Thom S. *The Unchurched Next Door: Understanding Faith Stages as Keys to Sharing Your Faith*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2008. ISBN: 0310286123
2. Kelley, Charles S. Jr. *Fuel the Fire: Lessons from the History of Southern Baptist Evangelism*. Nashville: B&H Academic, 2018. ISBN: 1535908238

Course Teaching Methodology

The course will involve the following methodologies: lecture and interactive discovery-learning and will be offered on the main campus during a three-day academic workshop.

Units of Study. Topics will include:

1. The Nature of Witnessing
2. The Character of a Witness
3. Barriers to Witnessing
4. Prayer and Witnessing
5. The Holy Spirit and Witnessing
6. Personal Witnessing
7. Witness Training Resources
8. Evangelistic Events

Course Requirements

1. **Attend class.** This course is in the workshop format. Seminary policy states that a student may not miss any class due to the short length of the workshop. Review the syllabus, required reading, and course outline and download materials as needed. **Attendance and participation are worth 25% of the final grade.**
2. **Participate in class discussion.** Participation is determined by online class meetings as well as by posts and responses in the Threaded Discussions. These discussions will be related to the material covered in the course content. All students are required to post a minimum of three responses in the main discussion thread: one in answer to the presenting questions, and two in response to classmates' posts.
3. Read assigned textbooks and other reading assignments. Reading assignments will include readings from the textbooks, Scripture, and other sources. Provide a written statement of completion of all reading assignments, **due Friday, June 26, 2020.**

4. Develop an evangelistic event to be used in your women's ministry.

The project report should include the following section headings:

- Type of Event
- Program, Committees
- Budget, Format
- Schedule
- Site
- Publicity
- Music Coordination
- Food Service
- Child Care
- Timeline
- Follow-up

The project 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. Projects are **due Friday, June 26, 2020**.

5. Complete a take home final examination. The final exam will be posted on Blackboard under "Course Documents" and will be **due Friday, June 26, 2020**.

The textbook reading statement of completion, project report, and final exam should be sent to Dr. Rhonda Kelley by email at rkelley@nobts.edu by Friday, June 26, 2020.

Course Evaluation

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

A = 93-100	1/4 = Class Attendance/Participation
B = 85-92	1/4 = Reading Statement of Completion
C = 77-84	1/4 = Project Report
D = 70-76	1/4 = Take-Home Final Exam
F = Below 70	

Course Schedule

Day One	Introductions
May 27, 2020	The Nature of Witnessing
	The Character of a Witness
	Barriers to Witnessing
Day Two	Prayer and Witnessing
May 28, 2020	The Holy Spirit and Witnessing
	Personal Witnessing
Day 3	Witness Training Resources
May 29, 2020	Evangelistic Events

Technical Assistance

For assistance regarding technology, consult ITC (504.816.8180) or the following websites:

1. Selfserve@nobts.edu - Email for technical questions/support request 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.

Reading Assignments

Students are responsible for completing all reading assignments.

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.

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.

Help for Writing Papers at "The Write Stuff"

NOBTS maintains a Writing Center designed to improve English writing at the graduate level. This is the official NOBTS Writing Center online help site for writing academic papers and essays. <http://www.nobts.edu/writing/default.html>. Students can receive writing tips, and valuable information to help in become a better writer.

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 are clearly defined.

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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
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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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- Florida Virtual Library (<http://www.flelibrary.org/>) for Florida students
- Interact with us online at –



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