



**CEWM5369 Teaching and Writing
Ministry for Women
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Church Ministry 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.

Course Description

This course is designed to develop strategies for designing and writing Bible studies for both personal and group use in order to increase knowledge and application of God's Word. Students will examine methodologies for studying and teaching the Bible to women through the local church.

Student Learning Outcomes

At the conclusion of the semester, the student will:

1. Understand how to study the Bible in a hermeneutically sound manner for both personal study and writing purposes.
2. Gain strategies for Bible study organization and leadership.
3. Value writing as an expansion of her ministry and produce quality Bible study and devotional material.
4. Explore areas of opportunity for writing, both in her church and in the publishing world.

Textbooks

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

1. Richards, Lawrence O. and Gary J. Bredfeldt. *Creative Bible Teaching, rev. & upd.* Chicago: Moody Publishers, 2020. ISBN: 978-0802419590
2. Ellison, Edna and Linda Gilden. *Called to Write: Seven Principles to Become a Writer on Mission.* Birmingham, AL: New Hope Publishers, 2014. ISBN: 978-1-59669-398-2
3. LaRocque, Paula. *The Book on Writing: The Ultimate Guide to Writing Well.* Grey and Guvnor Press, 2013. ISBN: 978-0989236706

Course Teaching Methodology

The course will involve the following methodologies: video lecture, PowerPoint presentations, and interactive discovery-learning through threaded discussion. It will be taught as a summer term online course.

Course Requirements

1. **Participate in class discussion.** Participation is determined by postings and responses in the Threaded Discussions held each week. These discussions will be related to the material covered in each week's content. **All students are required to post a minimum of three responses in the main discussion each week: one in answer to the presenting questions, and two in response to classmates' postings.** For the threaded discussion to be of maximum benefit to everyone involved, it is recommended that you stay as close to the course schedule as possible- so that everyone will participate in the discussion the same week. **Late postings will be penalized 1 point for each day late.** Please limit discussions in this venue to the assigned topic.
2. **Read the assigned textbooks and other reading assignments.** Reading assignments will include readings from the textbook, Scripture, and other sources. The student will provide a written statement of completion of all reading assignments. **Due July 27, 2022.**
3. **Complete Unit Worksheets.** The assignment will include Bible study worksheets on Observation, Application, and Interpretation of scripture as well as Curriculum Evaluation. Students will complete the worksheets within the week in which the topic is covered in the unit.
4. **Complete an article assignment.** The assignment will include defining a topic of interest to each individual student (and brainstorming the subject in class), developing an outline by which to write an article for consideration for the NOBTS Blog (or similar publication), and writing the article. The completed article must be 740-1200 words. Use size 12, double-spaced, Times New Roman font. **Due June 20, 2022.**
5. **Design and write a Bible study.** Develop a six-unit Bible study devoted to one passage or topic. Include the following elements for each of your six units:
 - Unit Title
 - Learner's Guide
 - Teacher's Guide (discussion questions, commentary, resources, etc.)

The Bible study should be typed-double spaced Times New Roman size 12 font, following the NOBTS Manual of Form and Style. **Due July 11, 2022.**
6. **Create a Teaching Video.** The assignment will include creating a teaching video for one of the Bible study units developed in the Bible study assignment. The student will include a topic introduction as well as lecture material for the unit. Videos should be no more than 10 minutes and creativity is encouraged. **Due July 25, 2022.**

All assignments should be submitted to Blackboard according to their specific due dates listed above. Please email Dr. Emily Dean at edean@nobts.edu with any questions.

Evaluation of Grade

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

A = 93-100
B = 85-92

15% = Discussion Board Participation
15% = Reading Assignments

C = 77-84	15% = Worksheets
D = 70-76	15% = Article Assignment
F = 69 and below	20% = Bible Study
	20% = Teaching Video

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.

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".

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.

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.

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.

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.

Course Schedule

Week 1 – begins Monday, June 30, 2022

Unit 1 - The Bible (Background)

Week 2 – begins Monday, June 6, 2022

Unit 2 - Studying the Bible - Observation

Unit 3 – Studying the Bible – Interpretation

Week 3 – begins Monday, June 13, 2022

Unit 4 – Studying the Bible - Application

Unit 5 – Teaching the Bible – Planning Lessons

Week 4 – begins Monday, June 20, 2022

Unit 6 - Teaching the Bible – Teaching Methodology (HBLT)

Unit 7 – Teaching the Bible – Utilizing Resources

Week 5 – begins Monday, June 27, 2022

Unit 8 – Teaching the Bible – Understanding the Learner

Unit 9 – Teaching the Bible – Managing a Group

Week 6 – begins Monday, July 11, 2022

Unit 10 - The Basics of Writing for Ministry and Leadership

Unit 11 -The Basics of Relationship in Writing

Week 7 – begins Monday, July 18, 2022

Unit 12 -The Basics of Writing to Reach Out (Style, Grammar)

Unit 13 - Writing Opportunities (Local Church, Articles, Books)

Week 8 – begins Monday, July 25, 2022

Unit 14 - Submitting Your Work for Publication / Now What?

Selected Bibliography

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