



# LEAVELL COLLEGE

AT NEW ORLEANS BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

**Worship Perspectives: LCCF 2370-65 Hybrid  
(211)**

**Fall 2020**

**Class Dates: 8/24, 9/21, 10/5, 10/19, 11/2, 11/16, 11/30, 12/14**

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## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Students will learn to examine the development of worship in the Old Testament, New Testament, and throughout Christian history in order to evaluate the ways historical perspectives and practices of worship may relate to worship in contemporary settings.

## **COURSE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES**

At the conclusion of the semester, the student will:

1. Understand the theology and practice of worship in light of Christian Scriptures.
2. Apply an understanding of selected worship forms in light of biblical Christian worship.
3. Communicate contemporary worship practice in light of biblical and historical patterns of Christian worship.

## **COURSE TEXTS**

The following textbooks are required:

Segler, Franklin M., and Randall Bradley. *Christian Worship: Its Theology and Practice*. 3rd ed. Nashville: Broadman & Holman Publishers, 2006. [ISBN 9780805440676]

Steele, Ed. *Worship HeartCries: Personal Preparation for Corporate Worship*. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. North Charleston, SC: CreateSpace Independent Publishing, 2016. [ISBN 9781530373574]

The following textbook is optional:

Iorg, Jeff. *Is God Calling Me? Answering the Question Every Leader Believer Asks*. B & H Publishing Group, 2008.

## COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. Weekly Chapter Quizzes [20% of grade]  
Each week there will be quizzes online that cover the material assigned for that week. The Unit folder containing the weekly quizzes cease to be available on Blackboard by midnight, Saturday of each week; there are no makeup times.
2. Class Discussion [15% of grade]  
as the grade. Each week there will be a Discussion topic on Blackboard to which you will need to respond.
3. Opinion Paper [15% of grade]  
Each student will complete an opinion paper on a topic of his or her choice based related to music and worship in the local church. An outline guide will be available online in Blackboard. This topic must be submitted on Blackboard by **Monday, August 31** and cleared with the professor. Only documents submitted in MS Word or Word Perfect will be acceptable. Length of document: five [5] pages, double-spaced, Times New Roman, 12 pts.
4. Worship Project A [10% of grade]  
Each student will submit an order of worship. Instructions about the project will be given in class and are found on the Blackboard section of the class. **Due date: Week 15.** [November 30]
5. Worship Project B [15% of grade]  
Each student will study a particular problem common among our churches and present how they would address the issue. Each student will answer the questions in order and may use outline form to address each issue. The compiled information will then be submitted to the proper place in the class's Blackboard shell. **Due date: Week 16.** [December 7]
6. Midterm and Final exams will be averaged together and will count for 25% of the final grade.  
**Due date: October 18 and December 14.**

## GRADING SCALE

- A: 93 - 100
- B: 85 - 92
- C: 77 - 84
- D: 70 - 76
- F: below 70

## COURSE OUTLINE

Text abbreviation key:

Segler/Bradley: *Christian Worship: Its Theology and Practice*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition.

WH: Steele, *Worship HeartCries: Personal Preparation for Corporate Worship*. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

<b>Week</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Content</b>	<b>Assigned Reading</b>	<b>Assignment Due</b>
1	<b>Aug 24 Classroom</b>	Syllabus Overview  Introduction to the course  Worship Outline  Biblical Foundations of Worship	WH: "Introduction, & Four Bases of Authority, The Importance of Worship: O.T."  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 1, Introduction, Chapter Summaries  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 2, "Biblical Foundations"  WH: "Isaiah 6, The Importance of Worship, A Brief History of Congregational Worship,"  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 3, "Historical Backgrounds"	
2	Aug 31- Sept 5			<b>Submit Your Opinion Topic by August 31</b>  Chapter Quizzes due September 5
3	Sept 7- Sept 12	Theology of Worship	Segler/Bradley: Chapter 4, "A Theology of Worship,"  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 5, "A Psychology of Worship"  WH: "The Centrality of Christ in Worship, Psalm 24:3-4, Psalm 100"	Chapter Quizzes due September 12
4	Sept 14- Sept 19			<b>Opinion Paper Bibliography and Outline due Sept 19</b>
5	<b>Sept 21 Classroom</b>	Worship and Reconciliation  Obstacles in Worship	Segler/Bradley: Chapter 6 "Worship, Renewal, and the World"  WH: "Worship and Reconciliation" Segler/Bradley: Chapter 7, "Community and Worship"  WH: "2 Samuel 6:1-15, 1 Chronicles 6"  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 8, "Postmodernism and Worship"  WH: "Things that Impede Worship"	Chapter Quizzes due September 26

<b>Week</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Content</b>	<b>Assigned Reading</b>	<b>Assignment Due</b>
<b>6</b>	Sept 28- Oct. 3		Segler/Bradley: Chapter 9, "Music in Worship"  WH: "What Is Congregational Worship?"	Chapter Quizzes due October 3
<b>7</b>	<b>Oct 5 Classroom</b>	Worship Leader	Segler/Bradley: Chapter 10, "Prayer in Worship,"  WH: "What Makes a Song 'Congregational?'; Worship Leader or Lead Worshiper?"  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 11, "Verbal Communication in Worship"  WH: "Six Key Questions for those that Lead Worship"	Chapter Quizzes due October 8
<b>8</b>	Oct 12- Oct 17	Worship Styles	Segler/Bradley: Chapter 12, "Learning Styles and Worship"	Chapter Quizzes due October 17  <b>Midterm Exam</b> [chapters 1-11 plus beginning notes] due by October 18
<b>9</b>	<b>Oct 19 Classroom</b>	Symbols  Developing Worship Practices	Segler/Bradley: Chapter 16, "The Use of Symbols"  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 17, "Architecture, Acoustics, and Worship,"  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 18, "The Christian Year,"  WH: "What is 'Ministering to the Lord?'"	Chapter Quizzes due October 19
<b>9</b>	Oct 20- Oct 24	<b>Fall Break</b>		<b>Fall Break</b>
<b>10</b>	Oct 26- Oct 31	Arts in Worship	Segler/Bradley: Chapter 19, "The Arts in Worship"	<b>Opinion Paper Due October 29</b>  Chapter Quizzes due October 31

Week	Dates	Content	Assigned Reading	Assignment Due
11	Nov 2 Classroom	Planning the Worship Service	Segler/Bradley: Chapter 20, "Rites of Passage"  WH: "Are There Bleating Sheep in Your Ministry? Do We Always Have to Learn the Hard Way?"  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 21, "Planning the Order of Worship"  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 13, "Children in Worship"	
12	Nov 9- Nov. 14			Chapter Quizzes due November 13
13	Nov 16 Classroom	Worship styles; Baptism and Lord's Supper	Segler/Bradley: Chapter 14, "Baptism and the Lord's Supper"  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 15, "Other Acts of Worship"	Chapter Quizzes due November 21
14	Nov 23- Nov 28	<b>Thanksgiving Break</b>		<b>Thanksgiving Break</b>
15	Nov 30 Classroom	Leading Worship  Review	Segler/Bradley: Chapter 22, "Leading Worship"  Segler/Bradley: Chapter 23, "Managing and Leading Worship Change" & Appendices	<b>Worship Project A Due November 30</b>  Chapter Quizzes due December 4
16	Dec 7- Dec 12	Study		<b>Worship Project B due December 7</b>
17	Dec 14 Classroom	Final Exam at 6:00 pm		<b>Final Exam at 6:00 pm</b>

#### ADDITIONAL COURSE INFORMATION

1. Attendance Policy: Leavell College follows the attendance policy as stated in the Leavell College catalog.
2. Policy for Late Submissions: All late assignments will be penalized five points for the first day and one point per day thereafter, with no assignments being accepted more than two weeks past the due date.
3. Plagiarism Policy: A high standard of personal integrity is expected of all Leavell College students. Copying another person's work, submitting downloaded material without proper references, submitting material without properly citing the source, submitting the same material for credit in more than one course, and committing other such forms of dishonesty are strictly forbidden. *Although anything cited in three sources is considered public domain, we require that all sources be cited.* Any infraction may result in failing the assignment and the course. Any infraction will be reported to the Dean of Leavell College for further action.

4. *Classroom and Online Decorum*: Each student is expected to demonstrate appropriate Christian behavior. The student is expected to interact with other students in a fashion that will promote learning and respect for the opinions of the others in the course. A spirit of Christian charity is expected at all times. Electronic devices should be used only for classroom purposes as indicated by the professor.
5. *Special Needs*: If you need accommodations for a disability, please set up a meeting with the professor for consideration of any modifications you may need.
6. *Emergency Plan*: In the event the NOBTS schedule is impacted due to a natural event, go to the seminary's website for pertinent information. Class will continue as scheduled through the Blackboard site. Please note announcements and assignments on the course's Blackboard site.
7. *Technical Assistance*: For general NOBTS technical help, go to [www.NOBTS.edu/itc/](http://www.NOBTS.edu/itc/)

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