



HIST 5301 HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY REFORMATION-MODERN

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MONDAY 2:00-4:50 (FLEX)

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I hope that you are as excited about the study of church history as I am! If not, I hope that my enthusiasm will affect you positively. One of the reasons I love teaching is the opportunity to relate to students. Please feel free to contact me by email or phone or to come by my office. I want to help you in any way I can. **Call me if you have a problem or a question. Do not wait until it is too late for me to help!** This syllabus is subject to minor, necessary, or beneficial changes during the semester.

I. Mission Statement

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

II. Course Description:

This course provides a general historical survey of the Christian movement from the Protestant Reformation to the present. Attention is given to significant ideas, individuals, movements, and institutions in the development of Christianity during the Reformation and modern periods.

III. Student Learning Outcomes:

- The student demonstrates an understanding of significant individuals, movements, institutions, and theological concepts in the history of Christianity.
- The student demonstrates an ability to apply principles learned from the study of the history of Christianity to church and ministry today.
- The student demonstrates an ability to communicate understanding and application of principles learned from the study of the history of Christianity.

IV. Required Texts:

There are two required textbooks for this class:

Justo González, *The Story of Christianity*, vol. 2, *The Reformation to the Present Day*, rev. ed. (New York: HarperOne, 2010).

Henry Bettensen and Chris Maunder, eds., *Documents of the Christian Church*. 4th ed. (New York: Oxford University Press, 2011).

There will be additional required reading from primary sources that are available on the Internet.

V. Requirements:

- A. *Tests*: There will be six (6) unit exams, each worth 25 points, given online throughout the semester. The lowest grade will be dropped. The dates for the tests are:

Unit 1: September 12

Unit 2: October 10

Unit 3: October 24

Unit 4: November 7

Unit 5: November 14

Unit 6: December 5

- B. *Assigned Reading*: Students are expected to read the assigned pages listed for each unit. Your reading will be reported online. You will report the percentage completed (in 20% increments) of the assigned reading for each unit. Each report is worth up to 5 points.

An additional 5 point bonus will be awarded to students who have completed all the assigned reading by **December 5**. This allows you to catch up on reading you have missed during the semester. You will have an opportunity to report your bonus reading online.

- C. *Book Review of a Biography*: Each student will read and review a biography of a subject located within the parameters of the Reformation and modern eras of the church. Suggested subjects are listed below, and suggested biographies are included in the Selected Bibliography. Other books are allowed with the permission of the professor.

The Book Review should be between six to eight double-spaced typewritten pages in length and contain:

- (1) a bibliographical entry at the top of the first text page of the review;
- (2) a **brief** biographical sketch of the author;
- (3) a summary of the contents of the entire book;
- (4) an evaluation of the impact of this person's life and ministry on the student's personal life and ministry.

All quotations and direct references to sections in the book should be indicated by page numbers within parentheses. Citations or paraphrases from other sources should be noted and documented using either footnotes or endnotes. **Book Review of the Biography is due on September 26.**

Suggested subjects are:

- Martin Luther
- Ulrich Zwingli
- John Calvin
- Michael Servetus
- Martin Bucer
- Michael Sattler
- Balthasar Hubmaier
- Menno Simons
- William Tyndale
- John Knox
- Jacob Arminius
- Henry VIII
- Thomas More
- Thomas Cranmer
- Teresa of Avila
- Ignatius Loyola
- Francis Xavier
- Matteo Ricci
- Blaise Pascal
- René Descartes
- John Locke
- Immanuel Kant

- Philipp Jakob Spener
- August Hermann Francke
- Count Zinzendorf
- The Tennant Family
- Theodore Frelinghuysen
- Jonathan Edwards
- David Brainerd
- George Whitefield
- John Wesley
- Charles Wesley
- Barton Stone
- Charles Finney
- Joseph Smith
- Lott Carey
- David Livingstone
- C.T. Studd
- Hudson Taylor
- Frederick Douglass
- Harriet Tubman
- Booker T. Washington
- George Washington Carver
- Friedrich Schleiermacher
- Albert Schweitzer
- Soren Kierkegaard
- Karl Barth
- Dietrich Bonhoeffer
- William and Catherine Booth
- Charles Haddon Spurgeon
- C. S. Lewis
- D. L. Moody
- Billy Sunday
- Eric Liddell
- William Seymour
- Aimee Semple McPherson
- Billy Graham
- Martin Luther King, Jr.
- Mother Theresa
- Pope John Paul II
- Richard Wurmbrand
- The Auca missionaries

D. *Book Review of a Movement or Event:* Each student will read and review a book written about a movement or event located within the parameters of the Reformation and modern eras of the church. Suggested books are included in the Selected Bibliography. Other books are allowed with the permission of the professor.

See above for instructions about this Book Review of a Movement or Event, which is **due on October 31.**

VI. Writing Assistance

NOBTS Writing Center: Students have access to *Write Stuff, the NOBTS Writing Center.* Information about the Writing Center and the process for submitting papers can be found at <http://www.nobts.edu/writing>. The writing center staff will review the paper and work with the student as necessary to improve it before the final paper is submitted. Working with the writing center should help you in all of your academic writing, as well as help you produce an excellent biography for this course.

NOBTS Style Guide: A copy of the approved NOBTS Style Guide can be found in the course Canvas shell, or can be located online at the Writing Center's page on the seminary website at: https://www.nobts.edu/_resources/pdf/writing/StyleGuide.pdf

VII. Submission of Assignments

1. The Unit Exams, Reading Reports, and Discussion Threads will be conducted on Canvas. Unit Tests and Reading Reports are under each respective unit. The Discussion Question is located in its assigned week.
2. You will submit the Book Reviews under Assignments.

3. Please do not send your assignments to me as email attachments unless I request you to do so or unless there is a compelling reason. My Inbox fills up pretty quickly with attachments, and then I have to shift them over to the proper location.

VIII. Attendance

Traditional and NOLA2U Classes: Students are expected to attend and participate in the class sessions. Any student missing more than nine hours may receive an automatic grade of "F" for the course. Three tardies will count as one absence.

IX. Penalties:

Unit Exams & Reading Reports: Unit Exams and Reading Reports must be submitted by the date of the unit completion. After the deadline, Unit Exams and Reading Reports will NOT be re-opened. One unit exam grade will be dropped.

Discussions: Failure to participate adequately in the Discussion Board and to do so in a timely manner will affect the amount of points awarded.

Tardiness: A late written assignment will be assessed a **10 percent penalty if it is submitted after the deadline and a 20 percent penalty after five days. After one week past the deadline, the penalties become very severe.**

Plagiarism: **New Orleans Baptist Seminary maintains high academic standards and is not tolerant of plagiarism. If you copy another author's work and present it as your own, you will be caught, and the penalty could be failure on that assignment or the course or expulsion from the Seminary.**

X. Possible Points & Grading Scale:

<u>Possible Points</u>		<u>Grading Scale</u>
Reading:	30 pts.	A = 237-255 pts.
Tests (5 x 25):	125 pts.	B = 217-236 pts.
1 st Book Review:	60 pts.	C = 196-216 pts.
2 nd Book Review:	60 pts.	D = 178-195 pts.
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XI. NOLA2U FLEX

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 Canvas. 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 this syllabus.
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 [**assignment by professor**] 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.

XII. Emergency Plan

In case of hurricane or any other emergency, go to the seminary web site for information: www.nobts.edu

The administration will communicate information that relates to the seminary: the nature of the emergency, instructions for responses, evacuation, contingency plans, duration of the emergency, and plans to return to campus and/or resume the schedule.

Also, check Canvas for instructions related to this class. Because this class is available on Canvas as well as in the classroom, there should be minimal disruption unless the emergency affects electrical power and connection to the Internet.

In any emergency, communication is important, and our best means of staying connected is through the seminary's web site and Canvas.

XIII. Need technical assistance? Contact the ITC today!

Selfserve@nobts.edu - Email for technical questions/support requests with the Selfserve.nobts.edu site (Access to online registration, financial account, online transcript, etc.)

Canvas@nobts.edu - Email for technical questions/support requests to this email.

ITCSupport@nobts.edu - Email for general technical questions/support requests.
[504.816.8180](tel:504.816.8180) - Call for any technical questions/support requests.

www.NOBTS.edu/itc/ - General NOBTS technical help information is provided on this website.

XIV. COURSE SCHEDULE

Week	Date	Daily Topics	Assignments Due
Week 1	Aug 15	Background to Reformation Martin Luther (begin)	G: Chapters 1-3 B: Ninety-five Theses, Leipzig Disputation, Diet of Worms
Week 2	Aug 22	Martin Luther (conclude)	G: Chapter 4 B: Two Treatises, Short Catechism, The Confession of Augsburg
Week 3	Aug 29	Ulrich Zwingli Anabaptists (begin)	G: Chapters 5-6
LABOR DAY	Sept 5		
Week 4	Sept 12	Anabaptists (conclude)	Unit One Assignments Schleitheim Confession http://baptiststudiesonline.com/wp-content/uploads/2007/02/the-schleitheim-confession-2.pdf
Week 5	Sept 19	John Calvin	G: Chapter 7 B: Institutes of the Christian Religion
Week 6	Sept 26	English Reformation & Dissent Scottish Reformation	Book Review of the Biography G: Chapters 8, 18 B: Supremacy Act 1534, Supremacy Act 1559, Act of Uniformity B: Westminster Confession of Faith, The Clarendon Code
FALL BREAK	Oct 3		
Week 7	Oct 10	Catholic Reformation Thirty Years War Jacob Arminius	Unit Two Assignments G: Chapter 12, 19 B: The Jesuits, The Council of Trent, The Tridentine Profession G: Chapters 9-11, 13, 14-17, 20-21 B: Peace of Augsburg, Edict of Nantes, Peace of Westphalia B: Arminianism
Week 8	Oct 17	God's Election & Human Free Will Age of Enlightenment	G: Chapter 22 B: Deistic Controversy
Week 9	Oct 24	Pietism John Wesley	Unit Three Assignments G: Chapters 23-24 John Wesley's Conversion http://www.ccel.org/ccel/wesley/journal.vi.ii.xvi.html

Week 10	Oct 31	Christianity in Early America First Great Awakening	Book Review of a Movement or Event G: Chapter 25 "Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God" http://www.ccel.org/ccel/edwards/sermons.sinners.html
Week 11	Nov 7	Religious Liberty 2 nd & 3 rd Great Awakenings New Religions Global Expansion	Unit Four Assignments G: Chapters 26-27, 33
Week 12	Nov 14	Modern European Christianity	Unit Five Assignments G: Chapters 28, 31, 35 B: Resistance in Nazi Germany
THANKS GIVING BREAK	Nov. 21		
Week 13	Nov 28	Modern American Christianity	G: Chapter 36 "I Have a Dream" Martin Luther King I Have a Dream Speech - American Rhetoric Billy Graham, New York, 1957 (Optional) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1aZoqlwHsdM
FINALS WEEK	Dec 5		Unit Six Assignments

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