

**EVAN5230-01 SUPERVISED MINISTRY 1:
Personal Evangelism Practicum**
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Division of Pastoral Ministries
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Mission Statement

The mission of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary is to equip leaders to fulfill the Great Commission and the Great Commandments through the local church and its ministries.

Course Purpose, Core Value Focus, and Curriculum Competencies Addressed

- Course Purpose: To give training and experience in personal witnessing under the guidance of a qualified supervisor.
- Core Value Focus: Spiritual Vitality – We are a worshipping community emphasizing both personal spirituality and gathering together as a Seminary family for the praise and adoration of God and instruction in His Word (online *Graduate Catalog, 2014-2015*, p. 4). Our confessional commitments are outlined in the *Articles of Religious Belief* and the *Baptist Faith and Message 2000*.
- Curriculum Competencies Addressed: Disciple Making Competency

Course Description

The purpose of this course is to give the student evangelistic tools and supervised training and experience in sharing the Gospel with non-Christians. In addition, the student will receive some exposure to materials to use in teaching others how to witness (online *Graduate Catalog, 2014-2015*, p. 237).

Student Learning Outcomes

In order to stimulate evangelistic church growth and health, the students, by the end of the course should:

1. Be able to apply their knowledge and comprehension of the ministry of personal evangelism, approaches to personal evangelism, and the biblical and theological aspects of personal evangelism to stimulate evangelistic church growth and health through mobilizing the church for evangelism.
2. Organize sharing the Gospel with non-Christians into their lifestyle.
3. Be able to share the Gospel with non-Christians.
4. Be able to train others in the use of various evangelistic tools for sharing the Gospel with non-Christians.

Course Teaching Methodology

This course will be composed of class lectures and discussions, periodic evaluation over course reading material, small group activities and accountability, and the personal involvement of students in local church evangelism.

Textbooks

One on One: Evangelism Made Simple. Personal Evangelism Kit. Alexandria, LA: Evangelism/Church Growth Team of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, 2008. (The kit can be ordered from LBC at: <http://louisianabaptists.org/order/1on1>. Cost is \$33 which includes shipping. When you place your order, you will receive the first two chapters and an audio link to the PRAY Gospel presentation. The kit will be shipped the next business day.)

Will McRaney Jr. *The Art of Personal Evangelism*. Nashville: Broadman and Holman Publishers, 2003.

Requirements

1. TEXTBOOKS. Students will complete assigned readings of the textbooks according to the course requirements and schedule in this syllabus.
2. QUIZZES. A quiz may be given at any class session on recent class lectures or the assigned readings for that day. The form of the quizzes may be objective or subjective. **Under no circumstances will any quiz ever be given in advance or as a make-up.** At the end of the semester, students may drop at least one quiz grade.
3. THE PRAY GOSPEL PRESENTATION. Students will memorize the *PRAY* presentation of the Gospel. Memorization must include the verses of Scripture which accompany the *PRAY* presentation (students may choose which translation they desire to use). A midterm exam will be given to assess students' understanding and comprehension of the *PRAY* presentation of the Gospel. **Due: Midterm Exam – March 17.**
4. EVANGELISM TEAM. Students will spend 1.5 hours per week for 10 weeks in a personal evangelism ministry through a local church. Each student will turn in the Evangelism Team Information Form on **January 27**. The team members are responsible for insuring that their supervisor views the Supervisor Training

Presentation available through the Supervised Ministry website at: <http://www.nobts.edu/SupervisedMinistry/SupMin1/Default.html>. The Supervisor Training Verification Form should be secured and turned in on **February 10**. The team members also will meet with their supervisor twice during the semester to evaluate the team's ministry. The team supervisor will complete an evaluation of each student's ministry at the end of the semester (see attached packet). Team members will turn in a Weekly Report Form of their witnessing experiences (see attached packet). All forms are available at the Supervised Ministry website. **Due: May 12.**

5. **EVANGELISM REFLECTIONS.** Students will submit two typed verbatim accounts and four reflection papers (see attached packet) from personal witnessing experiences in which the student shared the Gospel with an unbeliever during the semester. The evangelism reflections should be completed and turned in during class.
Due: 1 Verbatim Account and 2 Reflections after Spring Break -- March 31;
1 Verbatim Account and 2 Reflections at Final Exam – May 12 at 12:00 PM.
6. **FINAL EXAM.** Students will complete a final comprehensive exam which will cover all materials presented in class throughout the semester.
Due: May 12 at 12:00 PM.

Course Evaluation

Although it should go without saying, students are expected to exercise the highest of ethics and integrity in keeping with the character of Christ when completing all assignments. The grading scale and attendance requirements will be according to those outlined in the current *Graduate Catalog*. The value of assignments will be as follows:

(1)	Quizzes	20%
(2)	Midterm Exam	20%
(3)	Weekly Evangelism Team Reports	10%
(4)	Evangelism Verbatim Accounts and Reflections	20%
(5)	Final Exam	20%
(6)	Training Verification and Final Supervisor Evaluation	10%

Note: A student must complete ALL of the above assignments in order to pass the class.

Course Schedule

FIRST HOUR	SECOND HOUR
(DATE) (Material to be Covered) (Readings:OO = One on One: Evangelism Made Simple; APE = The Art of Personal Evangelism) <i>(Assignments Due)</i>	
1/20 Introduction & Syllabus	Role of Supervisors Evangelism Assessment
1/27 Intentional Evangelism	Session One: The Power of One OO, 11-17 <i>Due: Evangelism Team Information</i>
2/3 Biblical Evangelism APE, Introduction, Chapters 3-4	Session Two: Sharing Your Faith Story OO, 19-24
2/10 Spiritual Warfare and Evangelism APE, Chapter 2	Session Three: Sharing Jesus Using a Tract or Marked New Testament OO, 25-29 <i>Due: Supervisor Training Verification</i>
2/17 MARDI GRAS (no class)	
2/24 The Holy Spirit and Evangelism APE, Chapter 1	Session Four: The Holy Spirit at Work OO, 31-36
3/3 Motivations for Personal Evangelism	Session Five: Building Authentic Relationships with Unbelievers OO, 37-43
3/10 Prayer and Evangelism Drawing the Net	Session Six: Getting Started Praying Your Friends and Family to Christ OO, 45-50
3/17 MIDTERM EXAM	
3/24 SPRING BREAK (no class)	
3/31 Dealing with Objections APE, Chapters 7-8	Methods of Evangelism <i>Due: 1 Verbatim Account & 2 Evangelism Reflections</i>

4/7 Follow Up Evangelism APE, Chapter 9	Servanthood and Ministry Evangelism
4/14 The Great Commission and Personal Evangelism	Theology of Evangelism
4/21 Postmodernism and Evangelism-Part 1 APE, Chapters 5-6	Postmodernism and Evangelism-Part 2
4/28 Evangelizing Various Groups-Part 1	Evangelizing Various Groups-Part 2
5/5 Total World Impact	Life-Style Evangelism The Harvest
5/12 FINAL EXAM – 12:00-2:00 PM <i>Due: Final Supervisor Evaluation & Evangelism Team Weekly Report Form</i>	 <i>Due: 1 Verbatim Account & 2 Evangelism Reflections</i>

Attendance

Students are expected to attend all classes. Absences of more than six hours will result in the student automatically failing the course. A student's tardiness three times will be counted as one absence. This policy also applies to leaving early. Please inform the instructor if you will be leaving the class before the end of the period.

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