

Mission Trip to Middle East for Muslim Witness and Evangelism
(THEO6399/EVAN6399/MISS6399)

May 21-June 2

Required course: Practices in Muslim Witness and Evangelism Spring 2018*

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Seminary Mission Statement

The mission of the 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.

Trip Purpose, Core Value Focus, and Curriculum Competencies

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary has chosen the core value of servant leadership—we follow the model of Jesus and exert leadership and influence through the nurture and encouragement of those around us. In addition in this centennial year of NOBTS we are expressing our missional nature in witness and trips among the lost of our world. By implementing practices of Muslim witness and evangelism the student will of necessity grow in dependence on God, His Word, and spiritual disciplines and interdependence on other believers.

Course Description

The course is set within a mission trip to a specific city in the Muslim Middle East (which is not named for security reasons). Participants will experience a Muslim society, witness to Muslims open to the gospel, be exposed to many issues faced by followers of Christ especially converts from Islam and help establish new believers by assisting them to enter into spiritual disciplines both though face to face and internet interaction. **A second course, THEO/MISS/EVAN6336 Practices of Muslim Witness and Evangelism**, may be taken simultaneous with the trip or in the previous semester.

Trip Description

The group will travel on May 21-22 to two locations in support of IMB strategies in reaching Muslims. One group will go to Italy and minister to Muslim Refugees while the second will go to the capital of a Middle Eastern Muslim country.

2 days flight to the region.

10 days of ministry and experience

1 day flight back to New Orleans

Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of the workshop the student will:

- Be familiar with standards for Muslim Evangelism.
- Be familiar with Islamic barriers to Christian witness.
- Appreciate the work of the Holy Spirit and power of God's word in drawing Muslims to faith in Jesus Christ.
- Comprehend principles of the basic methods of Muslim Evangelism and Witness.
- Be better equipped to engage in Witness to Muslims.

Course Teaching Methods

The course will involve the following methodologies:

- Students will study methods of mission and witness among Muslims.
Students will participate in a multilayer witness and evangelism event in a limited access Muslim country.

Textbooks

The Bible

Manning, Margaret. "A Slice of Infinity: Lost in Translation" October 16, 2012. <http://www.rzim.org/a-slice-of-infinity/lost-in-translation/>

"Communicating Christ Cross Culturally to Other Religions: A Mission Perspective on Sharing the Gospel." https://docs.google.com/document/d/1y-XkYDtc-oxwpiPmRJJKL_Cnfw0cdPiyMotyjUuM-3M/edit?hl=en

Requirements

1. Participation In Muslim witness and evangelism: The student will be involved in outreach at several levels. An outline of the methods to be used and study aids can be obtained after Feb. 10, 2018 from medens@nobts.edu . **55%**
2. Written report of reading and experience: Students will submit two 7 page reports. *One summarizing reading from at least 3 books from the bibliography. The other summarizing and evaluating the student's work and experience on the trip.* **45%**

Schedule

- I. First of three meeting (on campus and skype supported) Thursday Feb 1 at 7PM.
- II. Second meeting Mar 18, 2018 7PM. (Deposit is due) Full payment schedule available later.
- III. Third meeting Apr 19, 2018 7PM.

- IV. Depart May 21 and return Jun 2.

- V. Written report of reading and trip due July 2, 2018.

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