



CEEF6310 Teaching the Bible

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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.

Core Value Focus

The seminary has five core values. The focal core value for 2019-2020 is *spiritual vitality*. This course supports the five core values of the seminary.

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.

Curriculum Competencies Addressed

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary curriculum is guided by seven basic competencies: biblical exposition, Christian theological heritage, disciple making, interpersonal skills, servant leadership, spiritual and character formation, and worship leadership.

This course will emphasize the following curriculum competencies:

1. *Biblical Exposition*: To interpret and communicate the Bible accurately.
2. *Disciple Making*: To stimulate church health through mobilizing the church for missions, evangelism, discipleship, and church growth.
3. *Interpersonal Skills*: To perform pastoral care effectively, with skills in communication and conflict management.
4. *Spiritual and Character Formation*: To provide moral leadership by modeling and mentoring Christian character and devotion. As a ministry leader, intentionally engage in the process of growing in relationship with God and becoming conformed to Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Course Description

The course explores the nature of teaching, the Biblical model of instruction, curricular design, the learner's impact upon instruction, theories of practice, and methods of instruction. The expositional process will receive special attention given that it undergirds the teaching process.

Student Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course you should be able to demonstrate an understanding of:

1. the Biblical model of instruction as exemplified by Jesus;
2. theories regarding the ways people develop and learn;
3. the component parts of the teaching plan template;
and skill in:
4. preparing Bible study teaching plans for a selected age-group that reflect best practice and adhere to the teaching plan template
5. evaluating published curriculum for adherence to standards of best practice.

Required Readings

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

Required Texts

Ford, LeRoy, *Design for Teaching and Training: A Self-Study Guide to Lesson Planning*. Eugene OR: Wipf and Stock Publishers 2000. (ISBN-13: 978-1579109912).

Yount, William. *The Discippler's Handbook*. Revised 2014. Pdf posted on Blackboard.

Yount, William. *Created to Learn: A Christian Teacher's Introduction to Educational Psychology*, 2d ed. Nashville, TN: Broadman & Holman, 2010. (ISBN: 978-0805447279). Kindle Edition available.

Optional (Recommended) Texts

Hendricks, Howard. *Teaching to Change Lives: Seven Proven Ways to Make Your Teaching Come Alive*. Sisters, OR: Multnomah Books, 2003. (ISBN: 978-1590521380). Kindle edition available.

Richards, Lawrence O, and Gary J. Bredfeldt. *Creative Bible Teaching*. Chicago: Moody Publishers, 1998. (ISBN: 978-0802416445) Kindle edition available.

Wilkinson, Bruce. *The Seven Laws of the Learner: How to Teach Almost Anything to Practically Anyone*. Colorado Springs, CO: Multnomah Books, 2005. (ISBN: 978-1590524527). Kindle edition available.

Yount, William. *Called to Teach: An Introduction to the Ministry of Teaching*. Nashville, TN: Broadman & Holman, 1999. (ISBN: 978-0805411997). Kindle edition available.

Yount, William. Ed. *The Teaching Ministry of the Church*. Nashville: B&H Publishing Group,

2008. (ISBN: 978-0805447378) Kindle Edition available.

Course Teaching Methodology

Units of Study

The Nature of Teaching
The Disciplers' Model
Biblical Models of Instruction
The Lesson Plan
Goals and Indicators
The Planning Process
Knowledge and Understanding Outcomes
Attitudes and Values Outcomes
Motor Skills Outcomes
Evaluation of Learning
Evaluation of Lesson Plans
Teaching Children, Youth, Adults
Evaluating Curriculum
Laws of the Learner

Teaching Method

Students in this course will experience group discussions, individual learning assignments, reading/research, electronic presentations (PowerPoint, Prezi), videos, and interaction to engage them in the learning process.

Delivery Format

The course will be delivered internet format over the semester (16 weeks).

Assignments and Evaluation Criteria

A rubric for each assignment may be found on Blackboard in Assignment Upload. Weeks begin on Monday and end on Sunday. Unless otherwise instructed, assignments are due on Sunday by 11:59 p.m. CST.

1. Preparation for Class -Reading/Workbook Due: See Course Schedule

Readings in assigned texts and workbook assignments in *Design for Teaching and Training* should be completed prior to Discussion Board due dates so you can actively relate to all discussions. Reading the assigned chapters is extremely important as Discussion Boards will not cover all of the assigned reading material but are designed to supplement text reading and provide opportunities to process what you have read. A minimum of one to two hours of reading and studying will be needed to be prepared for each unit.

2. Unit Assessment Quizzes: (10%) Due: See Course Schedule

Quizzes will be given over the designated content for selected units. *Unit quizzes will open on Monday at 12:30 a.m. and must be taken by 11:59 p.m. on Sunday.* Missed quizzes may not be made up. Late quizzes will not be given. *This assignment is related to Student Learning*

Outcomes #1, #2, and #3.

3. Personal Inventories Paper (5%)

Due: Week 2

Complete the inventories posted on Blackboard. Write a 1-2 page profile of yourself including a paragraph describing each of the following:

- your spiritual gifts
- your learning style
- your multiple intelligences (as described by Gardner)
- learning experiences that have been the most effective and meaningful to you, and why. *This assignment is related to Student Learning Outcome #2.*

4. Biblical Backgrounds Paper/Exegetical and Pedagogical Ideas (15%) Due: Week 4

Write a 5-page biblical backgrounds paper of either the assigned Old Testament or New Testament passage of Scripture. (1 Sam. 16:1-4 or Acts 9:1-9) Follow the guidelines set forth in *Writing a Biblical Backgrounds Paper* PowerPoint posted on Blackboard. Include a minimum of 5 scholarly sources, including one commentary. The Micro-Teach lesson that you develop will be based on the passage selected for this assignment. *This assignment is related to SLOs #3 & #4.*

5. Philosophy of Bible Teaching (10%)

Due: Week 6

Write a 2-page paper presenting your basic philosophy of Bible teaching. Include at least one paragraph about each of the following in the teaching/learning process.

- Role of the teacher
- Role of the Holy Spirit
- Role of the learner
- Equipping of the teacher (ongoing)

See <https://bible.org/seriespage/3-developing-philosophy-teaching> . *This assignment is related to SLOs #1 & 2.*

6. Exegetical/Pedagogical Ideas, Instructional Goal/Indicator

Due: Week 8

Develop one Exegetical Idea (Bible Truth/Central Idea), one Pedagogical Idea (Teaching Idea) based on the Scripture passage you selected for your Biblical Backgrounds paper. Refer to the *Creative Bible Teaching*, Chapter 8 pdf document posted on Blackboard. *Submit these as part of the biblical backgrounds paper.* You will receive feedback on this assignment which should be taken into consideration when developing the rough draft. The learning outcome goal (instructional goal) for your Micro-Teach lesson plan will flow from these!

Develop one cognitive instructional goal and indicator for your Micro-teach lesson. Follow the format described in *Design for Teaching and Training* and *Created to Learn* and presented in class. (Note: Just FYI – Yount was a student of Ford.) The goal should be based on the pedagogical idea. You must develop a “test/indicator” so learners may “indicate” that they have attained the goal. Submit to Blackboard. You will receive feedback on your goal and indicator, which should be taken into account when developing the lesson plan rough draft. *This assignment is related to SLO #4.*

7. Micro-Teach Bible Lesson Plan Rough Draft (15%) Due: Friday, Week 11

Write a 15-minute Micro-Teach Bible Lesson Plan Rough Draft considering the feedback received on the exegetical and pedagogical ideas, and the instructional goal and indicator. For the purposes of this course, the teaching plans must:

- be constructed according to the *Micro-Teach Bible Lesson Plan Template* presented in class, posted on Blackboard, and found in *The Disciplers' Handbook*.
- include all sections except Assignment (as this is a stand-alone lesson).
- indicate for which age group the plan is written - children (younger or older), students (younger or older), or adult (young, median, or senior).

Appropriate sources should be utilized including scholarly journals, education texts, teaching/learning style books, curriculum design articles, etc.

Submit the rough draft of the 15-minute Micro-Teach lesson plan to Assignments on the due date and post to the Discussion Board on the assigned date. Class members will evaluate the rough draft according to the lesson plan rubric (included in this syllabus) and addressing the following:

- Is the learning outcome written in proper form?
- Does the writer use command language?
- Is the learning readiness in the same domain as the learning outcome?
- Does the Bible study include a variety of teaching methods/activities?
- Is an evaluation of the target (lesson aim/indicator) included?
- Has the writer included a conclusion?

Be respectful yet truthful. Class members may be grouped, depending on the size of the class. A grading rubric is posted on Blackboard. *This assignment is related to SLO #4.*

Micro-Teach Bible Lesson Plan (Final Draft): (25%) Due: Week 14

Develop the final draft of the 15-minute Micro-Teach Bible Lesson Plan after reviewing the feedback provided by classmates and the professor. The feedback provided on the rough draft will be considered in the grading of the final draft. This Micro-Teach lesson plan will be executed in Teaching Practicum. *This assignment is related to SLO #4.*

7. Curriculum Evaluation: (10%) Due: Week 15

Select and evaluate one Bible lesson from those posted on Blackboard. Use the *Curriculum Evaluation Guide* to evaluate the lesson plan. Submit your completed guide with a 2 to 3-page critical review of your findings. Highlight strengths and weaknesses found in the curriculum. Support your critique with a minimum of three sources. The textbooks may be used as sources for the critique. *This assignment is related to SLO #5.*

8. Discussion Boards (15%) Due: Weekly

Threaded Discussion: Participate weekly in the threaded discussions. These discussions are an essential component of the participation grade for the course. Your comments will be graded on their substance and thoughtfulness, and should reflect appropriate application of emerging knowledge and vocabulary in the topic area. Each posting should add value to the discussion. Adding value to the discussion would include things like an example illustrating your position, posting a website, asking question of your fellow classmates, giving a personal example,

bringing in something from the textbook, videos or from some outside reading to support your opinion.

Replying to the Postings of Your Classmates: In addition to writing your own response, each unit you will post a response to at least two other students' responses. In your replies to other students you can: 1) Expand on or clarify a point made in the answer. 2) Offer an additional argument to support a position taken in an answer. 3) Suggest ways in which an idea could be more clearly expressed. 4) Identify passages where you think the writer misunderstood a concept or applied it incorrectly. 5) Disagree with a point or position made in a response.

Your contributions to the Discussion Board Topic are worth 20 points for each week for a total of 15% of your final grade. There is NO MAKE_UP option for participation in the weekly Discussion Board. You cannot complete "other assignments" or extra credit to "make_up" for not being able to participate.

The week begins on MONDAY and ends on SUNDAY. Your initial post to the posted questions(s) must be made by Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. CST of each week. Responses to other students' posts must be made by Sunday at 11:59 p.m. CST. Any threaded discussion posted after 11:59 on Sunday will not be viewed by the professor or grader and will *not* count towards class participation for that week. *This assignment is related to Student Learning Outcomes #1 and #2.*

Course Evaluation

Unit Quizzes	10%
Personal Inventories Paper	05%
Biblical Background Paper	10%
Philosophy of Bible Teaching	10%
Micro-Teach Rough Draft	15%
Micro-Teach Final Draft	25%
Curriculum Evaluation	10%
<u>Discussion Boards</u>	<u>15%</u>

Total 100%

A 93-100 B 85-92 C 77-84 D 70-76 F 69 and below

Course Schedule

Week	Date	Unit	Course Topic	Assignments Due
1	1/20		Introduction of course The Nature of Teaching	
2	1/27	Unit 1	The Disciplers' Model	<i>Created to Learn: Ch. 1</i> <i>The Disciplers' Handbook: Chapter 0</i> Review of Unit Materials (Take Spiritual Gifts Survey) Discussion Board Personal Inventories Paper Due
3	2/3	Unit 2	Biblical Models of Instruction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jesus as Master Teacher ○ Biblical Background 	<i>Created to Learn: Ch. 11</i> <i>The Disciplers' Handbook: pgs. 47-52</i> Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board
4	2/10	Unit 3	The Lesson Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Micro-Teach Bible Lesson Plan Template 	<i>The Disciplers' Handbook: pgs. 52-76</i> Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board Biblical Backgrounds Paper with one exegetical idea, one pedagogical idea Due
5	2/17	Unit 4	Goals and Indicators <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Writing Instructional Objectives 	<i>Created to Learn: Ch. 12 - pgs. 401-408, 418</i> <i>Design for Teaching & Training: Units 1-2</i> Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board Quiz #1 Philosophy of Bible Teaching Due
6	2/24	Unit 5	The Planning Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Designing Learning Activities 	<i>Design for Teaching & Training: Unit 3</i> Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board
7	3/2	Unit 6	Knowledge and Understanding Outcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Knowledge, Comprehension, Application 	<i>Created to Learn: Ch. 12- pgs. 373-391</i> <i>Design for Teaching & Training: Unit 4</i> Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board Quiz #2
8	3/9	Unit 7	Knowledge and Understanding Outcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Analysis, Synthesis, Evaluation 	<i>Design for Teaching & Training: Units 5-7</i> Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board Quiz #3 Instructional Goal and Indicator for Micro-Teach Lesson Due
9	3/16		Spring Break	

Week	Date	Unit	Course Topic	Assignments Due
10	3/23	Unit 8	Attitudes and Values Motor Skill Outcomes	<i>Created to Learn: Ch. 12- pgs. 391-399</i> <i>Design for Teaching & Training: Units 8/9, 10/11</i> Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board Quiz #4
11	3/30	Unit 9	Evaluation of Learning ○ Indicators and Tests	<i>Design for Teaching & Training: Units 12, 13</i> Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board Quiz #5 Micro-Teach Rough Draft Due
12	4/6	Unit 10	Evaluation of Micro-Teach Bible Lesson Plans (Rough Drafts)	Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board
13	4/13	Unit 11	Teaching Children, Youth, and Adults	Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board
14	4/20	Unit 12	Evaluating Curriculum ○ Scope and Sequence	Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board Final Micro-Teach Lesson Plan Due
15	4/27	13	Laws of the Learner	Review of Unit Materials Discussion Board Curriculum Evaluation Due
16	5/4		TBA	

***The Professor reserves the right to change topics/dates as necessary (see course policies).**

Course Policies

The following policies will serve to govern both the student and professor for the duration of this course.

Absences: You are permitted a maximum of 9 hours of absence from this course. However, participation in this course is partially based on attendance. You can't participate if you are absent.

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.

Assignment Formatting: Unless otherwise noted, all assignments are to be created in Turabian format. All written assignments must be Word documents, written in third person unless

otherwise instructed, and created in 12 pt. Times New Roman font. PDFs will not be accepted

Assignment Submission: All assignments are to be submitted to Blackboard by 11:59 p.m. of the due date unless otherwise indicated. Do not send files as attachments via email to the professor. For technical reasons, this mode of file transmission is extremely inefficient.

Classroom Decorum: Your participation is required for every class session. You are expected to:

- Come to the class with a constructive point of view, prepared to interact with the readings and resources related to the course topic.
- Dress appropriately and in accordance with the NOBTS Student Handbook.
- Turn off cell phones and not accept any calls and/or text messages during class.
- Use laptops appropriately during class.

Electronic Devices: Electronic devices may be used in class only for taking notes and other activities assigned by the professor. Other activities are strictly prohibited. Laptops may not be open during presentations unless requested by the presenter. Phones must be silenced during class time. Any student found violating this policy may be asked to leave class and will be counted absent.

Grading Scale: Your final grade will be based on your total accumulation of points as indicated under the *Assignments and Evaluation Criteria* section of this syllabus according to the grading scale in the current NOBTS catalog.

Late Assignments: Only under extreme circumstances, and with prior approval, will a late assignment be accepted. Late assignments will be assessed an initial 10 percent penalty and 1 percent for each day after the due date (i.e. 10/1 points for a 100 point assignment, 3/.3 points for a 30 point assignment). No assignments will be accepted more than two weeks after the original due date. Missed presentations may not be made up.

Netiquette: Appropriate Online Behavior: Each student is expected to demonstrate appropriate Christian behavior when working online. 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.

Plagiarism: A high standard of personal integrity is expected of all 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 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 will result in failing the course. Any infraction will be reported to the Dean of Students for further action.

Professor's Absence or Tardiness: If the professor is late in arriving to class, you must wait a full 20 minutes after the start of class before you may leave without being counted absent, or you must follow any written instructions that may be given to you.

Recording Policy: Recordings of class, including any audio and/or video recordings, regardless of the media or format, and regardless of the intended or actual use, are not permitted without

prior written permission of the professor. The class will be notified in advance should any such recording be approved. This policy is intended to protect the privacy of the students.

Revision of the Syllabus: The course syllabus is not a legal contract. Any syllabus revision will be preceded by a reasonable notice to students. The standards and requirements set forth in this syllabus may be modified at any time by the professor. Notice of such changes will be by announcement in class or by email notice.

Withdrawal from the Course: The administration has set deadlines for withdrawal. These dates and times are published in the academic calendar. Administration procedures must be followed. You are responsible to handle withdrawal requirements. A professor can't issue a withdrawal. You must do the proper paperwork to ensure that you will not receive a final grade of "F" in the course if you choose not to attend once you are enrolled.

Additional Information

Blackboard and SelfServe: You are responsible for maintaining current information regarding contact information on Blackboard and SelfServe. The professor will utilize both to communicate with the class. Blackboard and SelfServe do not share information so you must update each. Assignment grades will be posted to Blackboard. You will be need to enroll in the course on Blackboard.

Office Hours: Hours are posted outside the office door. For an appointment outside of office hours, please contact the professor via email.

Correspondence with the Professor: Every effort is made to respond to emails and phone calls within 24-48 hours, excluding weekends. Please feel free to contact the professor(s) with any question you may have regarding this course.

Hurricane/Severe Weather Evacuation: For up-to-date weather information stay tuned to:

WBSN FM-89.1

WWL Channel 4

WWL AM-870

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Mandatory Evacuation: Hurricane season lasts from June 1 to November 30. If the Mayor or the President of NOBTS recommends that you leave the city, then do so. If a mandatory evacuation is called everyone except emergency personnel must leave. Staying on campus is not an option. See the *Student Handbook* for further information regarding hurricane preparedness, evacuation, and shelter.

Special Needs: If you need an accommodation for any type of disability, please set up a time to meet with the professor(s) to discuss any modifications that you may need and we are able to provide.

NOBTS Emergency Text Messaging Service: Once you have established a SelfServe account you may sign up for the NOBTS emergency text messaging service by going to <http://nobts.edu/NOBTSEmergencyTextMessage.html>.

Technical Support: For assistance regarding technology, consult ITC (504-816-8180) or the

following websites:

- Selfserve@nobts.edu - Email for technical questions/support request for help with the site (Access to online registration, financial account, online transcript, etc.).
- BlackboardHelpDesk@nobts.edu - Email for technical questions/support requests with the NOBTS Blackboard System.
- [Student Bb Help](#) - Visit for student assistance in using Blackboard.
- ITCSupport@nobts.edu – Email for general technical questions/support requests.
- www.NOBTS.edu/itc/ - View general NOBTS technical help information on this website.

This is a partial list of NOBTS student services available to all students, no matter your delivery system or location. If you have questions or do not see what you need here, please refer to www.nobts.edu/student-services, email us at studentservices@nobts.edu, or call the Dean of Students office at 800-662-8701, ext. 3283. We are glad to assist you!

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Financial Aid	financialaid@nobts.edu	504.282.4455 x3348	www.nobts.edu/financialaid
PREP (help to avoid student debt)	Prepassistant1@nobts.edu	504.816.8091	www.nobts.edu/prep
Gatekeeper NOBTS news	pr@nobts.edu	504.816.8003	nobtsgatekeeper.wordpress.com
Information Technology Center	itcsupport@nobts.edu	504.816.8180	selfserve.nobts.edu
Help with Blackboard	blackboardhelpdesk@nobts.edu	504.816.8180	nobts.blackboard.com
Library	library@nobts.edu	504.816.8018	www.nobts.edu/Library
Online library resources	library@nobts.edu	504.816.8018	http://www.nobts.edu/researchlinks/default.html
Writing and Turabian style help	library@nobts.edu	504.816.8018	http://www.nobts.edu/writing/default.html
Guest Housing (Providence Guest House)	ph@nobts.edu	504.282.4455 x4455	www.provhouse.com

Student Counseling	lmccc@nobts.edu	504.816.8004	www.nobts.edu/studentservices/counseling_services.html
Women's Programs	womensacademic@nobts.edu	504.282.4455 x3334	www.nobts.edu/women

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- LALINC for Louisiana students
- Florida Virtual Library (<http://www.flelibrary.org/>) for Florida students
- Interact with us online at –



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