



EVAN5230-01 SUPERVISED MINISTRY 1:

Personal Evangelism Practicum

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

Division of Church Ministry

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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.

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.

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.

Textbooks

Scroggins, Jimmy and Steve Wright. *3 Circles Evangelism Kit*. Alpharetta, GA: North American Mission Board, 2016.

The kit can be ordered from the North American Mission Board at nambstore.com. Cost is \$35 plus shipping. The *Kit* contains the Trainer Manual, Trainee Manual, a pack of 3 Circle Gospel Tracts, a flash drive loaded with the video lessons as well as other resources, and the book

Turning Everyday Conversations into Gospel Conversations. The book is one of the textbooks for the course listed immediately below. **Please Note: The textbook does not have to be purchased separately since it is included in the Kit.**

Scroggins, Jimmy and Steve Wright with Leslee Bennett. *Turning Everyday Conversations into Gospel Conversations*. Nashville, TN: B&H Publishing Group, 2016.

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

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.

Course 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 3 CIRCLES GOSPEL PRESENTATION. Students will memorize the 3 Circles presentation of the Gospel. Memorization must include the verses of Scripture which accompany the 3 Circles presentation. Students may choose which translation they desire to use. A midterm exam will be given to assess students' understanding and comprehension of the 3 Circles presentation of the Gospel. **Due: Midterm Exam – March 11.**
4. THE 3 CIRCLES APP. Students will download the free 3 Circles App, Life on Mission, North American Mission Board, from the App Store. The App is available for both iPhone and iPad. Access at lifeonmissionbook.com/conversation-guide.
5. 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 28**. 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/resources/pdf/supervised-ministry/SM1/supervisortrainingSM1.pdf> The Supervisor Training Verification Form should be secured and turned in on **February 11**. The team will also 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). Teams will turn in a Weekly Report Form of their witnessing experiences (see attached packet). All forms are available on the Supervised Ministry website. **Due: May 11.**

6. EVANGELISM REPORTS. 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 reports should be completed and turned in during class.
Due: 1 Verbatim Account and 2 Reflections at Midterm – March 11 at 8:30 AM;
1 Verbatim Account and 2 Reflections at Final Exam – May 11 at 9:00 AM.
7. FINAL EXAM. Students will complete a final comprehensive exam which will cover all materials presented in class throughout the semester.
Due: May 11 at 9:00 AM.

Evaluation of Grade

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 student's grade will be computed as follows:

(1)	Quizzes	20%
(2)	Midterm Exam	20%
(3)	Weekly Evangelism Team Report	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

TUESDAY	THURSDAY
(DATE) (Material to be Covered) (Readings: GC = <i>Turning Everyday Conversations into Gospel Conversations</i> ; APE = <i>The Art of Personal Evangelism</i>) (Assignments Due)	
1/19 Introduction & Syllabus	1/21 Role of Supervisors Evangelism Assessment
1/26 Intentional Evangelism	1/28 Lesson 1: The 3 Circles GC, 1-31 Due: Evangelism Team Information
2/2 Practical Tips for Personal Evangelism APE, Introduction, Chapters 3-4	2/4 Lesson 2: The Gospel GC, 33-59
2/9 The Holy Spirit and Evangelism APE, Chapter 1	2/11 Lesson 3: Transition to the Gospel GC, 61-88 Due: Supervisor Training Verification

2/16 MARDI GRAS	2/18 Lesson 4: Invite a Gospel Response GC, 89-103
2/23 Prayer and Evangelism	2/25 Lesson 5: Red, Yellow & Green Light Responses
3/2 Motivations for Personal Evangelism	3/4 Lesson 6: It Worked! Now What? GC, 105-116
3/9 Drawing the Net	3/11 MIDTERM EXAM <i>Due: 1 Verbatim Account & 2 Evangelism Reflections</i>
3/16 SPRING BREAK	3/18 SPRING BREAK
3/23 Sharing Your Personal Testimony	3/25 Witnessing with a Tract or Marked New Testament
3/30 Being Bold as a Witness	4/1 Follow Up Evangelism APE, Chapter 9
4/6 Dealing with Objections APE, Chapters 7-8	4/8 Spiritual Warfare and Evangelism APE, Chapter 2
4/13 Gospel Conversations-Part 1	4/15 Gospel Conversations-Part 2
4/20 The Great Commission and Personal Evangelism	4/22 Theology of Evangelism
4/27 Postmodernism and Evangelism-Part 1 APE, Chapters 5-6	4/29 Postmodernism and Evangelism-Part 2
5/4 Evangelizing Various Groups	5/6 Total World Impact Life-Style Evangelism
5/11 FINAL EXAM – 9:00-11:00 AM <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 class early. Please inform the instructor if you will be leaving the class before the end of the period.

Writing Style Guide

Writing assignments should follow the **NOBTS/Leavell College Manual of Form and Style** (revised August 2019). A copy of the approved NOBTS Style Guide can be found in the course Blackboard 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>

Technical Assistance

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

1. Selfserve@nobts.edu - Email for technical questions/support requests with the Selfserve.nobts.edu site (Access to online registration, financial account, online transcript, etc.)
2. BlackboardHelpDesk@nobts.edu - Email for technical questions/support requests with the NOBTS Blackboard Learning Management System NOBTS.Blackboard.com.
3. ITCSupport@nobts.edu - Email for general technical questions/support requests.
4. www.NOBTS.edu/itc/ - General NOBTS technical help information is provided on this website.

Help for Writing Papers at “The Write Stuff”

NOBTS maintains a Writing Center designed to improve English writing at the graduate level. Students can receive writing guides, tips, and valuable information to help in becoming a better writer.

Plagiarism on Written Assignments

NOBTS has a no tolerance policy for plagiarism. Plagiarism in certain cases may result in expulsion from the seminary. See the NOBTS Student Handbook for definition, penalties, and policies associated with plagiarism.

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