

NEW ORLEANS BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PRSR9304
CONTEXTUAL ISSUES IN PREACHING
Spring 2006
1/26, 2/16, 3/9, 3/30, 4/20, 5/11
3:00 - 5:00 PM
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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.

CORE VALUES/COMPETENCIES

Core value addressed: characteristic excellence

Competency addressed: biblical exposition

SEMINAR DESCRIPTION

This colloquium is designed to direct doctoral students in preaching in advanced readings in areas related to the context of preaching: communication, worship, leadership, and pastoral ministry.

SEMINAR OBJECTIVES

1. Each student should be able to critique selected books pertaining to the contextual issues of preaching.
2. Each student should be able to synthesize the readings for integration in research projects.

SEMINAR METHODOLOGY

Guided by the professor, this colloquium is a resource-driven learning experience that involves the selection and reading of texts germane to selected contextual issues in preaching. The selections will be made from the prescribed reading list. Throughout the semester, students will meet with the professor to discuss the readings. Other accountability arrangements will be clarified through the seminar. These arrangements may include but will not be limited to the use of threaded discussions of topics addressed in the reading assignments.

SEMINAR TEXTBOOKS

Although a variety of sources will be consulted in the seminar, a specific textbook is not assigned.

SEMINAR GRADE

The grade for the colloquium will be determined by the extent to which the student accomplishes the objectives stated in the syllabus. In order to make that determination, the professor will refer to oral presentations, written essays, and involvement in threaded discussion.

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

January 26 - Introduction to the seminar
Reading assignments

February 16 - Readings in communication theory

March 3 - Readings in worship

March 30 - Readings in leadership theory

April 20 - Readings in pastoral ministry

May 11 - Other readings as assigned

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Reading List

Communication

Aristotle, *Rhetoric*
Heath & Bryant, *Human Communication: Theory and Research*
Mitchell, *Visually Speaking: Radio and the Renaissance of Preaching*
Schultze, *Communicating for Life*
Perloff, *The Dynamics of Persuasion* (2nd ed.)

Worship

Allen, *The Wonder of Worship*
Hill, *Enter His Courts with Praise*
Webber, *Worship is a Verb*
Webber, *Worship Old and New* (revised ed.)
White, *Introduction to Christian Worship* (3rd ed.)

Leadership

Bennis, *On Becoming a Leader*
Wren (ed.), *The Leader's Companion: Insights on Leadership through the Ages*
Yukl, *Leadership in Organizations* (5th ed.)
Herrington, Creech, and Taylor, *The Leader's Journey*
Lewis, *Transformational Leadership*

Pastoral Ministry

Lischer (ed.), *The Company of Preachers* (Part VI: The Hearer)
Cothen, *Equipped for Good Work*
Clebsh and Jackle, *Pastoral Care in Historical Perspective*
Rummage, *Planning Your Preaching*
Stowell, *Shepherding the Flock in the 21st Century*

