

PRSR9304 Supervised Reading Colloquium: Contextual Issues in Preaching

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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.

Purpose of the Course, Core Value Focus, and Curriculum Competencies Addressed

The purpose of this course is to provide for the students quality theological education in the discipline of pastoral ministries. The core value focus of the course will be **spiritual vitality**. Students will be required to read through the Bible according to the **Spring Semester Bible Reading Plan** as a part of the core value focus. The course will address the competencies of biblical exposition, Christian theological heritage, and spiritual and worship leadership.

Course Description

This colloquium is designed to direct Ph.D. students majoring in preaching to explore contextual issues in foundational readings and literary resources which have shaped and are shaping preaching.

Student Objectives

By the end of the course, students will:

1. Be able to identify contextual issues which have shaped preaching.
2. Be able to list key literary resources and discuss knowledgeably important foundational readings containing selected contextual issues.
3. Demonstrate acceptable knowledge of preaching in the subject area of contextual issues in their doctoral qualifying and oral exams.

Course Methods

This colloquium is designed to be a resource-driven learning experience. As such, the professor will direct students in the reading of selected foundational works through reading and writing assignments. Students will also research significant developments reported in key professional journals within the field of preaching. Monthly accountability and sharing sessions with the professor and colloquium students will be held. Conferences with the professor are invited in order to facilitate learning and guide student research. Such conferences may be accomplished via telephone, e-mail, or office appointments.

Textbooks

There are no required textbooks for this course. Students are to obtain the texts necessary to accomplish the course objectives and assignments. A selected bibliography will be provided to students by the professor. Students are also expected to identify and locate key literary resources related to contextual issues in preaching. The professor will assist students in their discussion of literary resources, articles, and papers on contextual issues in preaching.

Course Requirements

Students are required to do the following assignments:

1. Complete a two-page (or less) annotated analysis of **two** foundational works on contextual issues in preaching which the student has not read prior to the colloquium. The professor must approve the student's selections. Each analysis should follow a correct Turabian bibliographic citation of the selected text and answer the following questions:

- a. What is a concise, one-paragraph summary of the text?
- b. What is the significance of this text concerning contextual issues in preaching?
- c. What are one or more significant developments in the text related to contextual issues in preaching?
- d. What, if any, criticism can be made of the text's usefulness in understanding contextual issues in preaching?

Students will be required to share the annotated analyses in a meeting of the colloquium, as assigned by the professor. Students are expected also to make sufficient copies of the analyses for all colloquium participants.

2. Complete a two-page (or less) annotated analysis of **two** homiletics journal articles on contextual issues in preaching. The professor must approve the student's selections. Each analysis should follow a correct Turabian bibliographic citation of the selected article and answer the following questions:

- a. What is a concise, one-paragraph summary of the article?
- b. What is the significance of the article concerning contextual issues in preaching?
- c. What are one or more significant developments in the article related to contextual issues in preaching?
- d. What, if any, criticism can be made of the article's usefulness in understanding contextual issues in preaching?

Students will be required to share the annotated analyses in a meeting of the colloquium, as assigned by the professor. Students are expected also to make sufficient copies of the analyses for all colloquium participants.

3. Complete a selected bibliography of key literary resources which discuss contextual issues in preaching, as follows:

- a. Students preparing for their doctoral **qualifying** exam must list **thirty** books in correct Turabian format;
- b. Students preparing for their doctoral **oral** exam must list **forty** books in correct Turabian format.

Students will be required to share the selected bibliography in a meeting of the colloquium, as assigned by the professor. Students are expected also to make sufficient copies of the bibliography for all colloquium participants.

4. Complete a list of ten significant contextual issues which have impacted preaching. The list should identify the issue and its significance, one literary source which discusses the issue, and a brief evaluation of the issue's relevance, if any, to contemporary preaching. Students will be required to share the list in a meeting of the colloquium, as assigned by the professor, and are expected also to make sufficient copies of the list for all colloquium participants.

Evaluation

All course objectives will be evaluated through the grading of the course assignments and presentations. Student participation in the colloquium discussions will also be a factor in evaluation and grading.

The student's final grade will be determined as follows:

1. Annotated Analyses of Foundational Works	20%
2. Annotated Analyses of Journal Articles	20%
3. Selected Bibliography	30%
4. Significant Contextual Issues List	30%

Colloquium Schedule

Friday, January 29, 9:00-11:00 A.M., Course Introduction

Friday, March 5, 9:00-11:00 A.M., Annotated Analyses of Foundational Works; Selected Bibliography

Friday, April 9, 9:00-11:00 A.M., Annotated Analyses of Foundational Works/Journal Articles

Friday, April 30, 9:00-11:00 A.M., Annotated Analyses of Journal Articles; Significant Developments List

Absences, Make-up Work, and Late Assignments

Students are not to miss any meetings of the colloquium. In emergency situations, students should notify the professor. Students who are excused by the professor for one colloquium meeting due to an unavoidable emergency will be assigned a topic to research and on which to write a twenty-page research paper for submission on April 30. All assignments are due as scheduled by the professor. Late assignments are not permitted.

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Spring Semester Bible Reading Plan January 19, 2010 – May 15, 2010

JANUARY

- 19 1 Samuel 13:23-14:52, John 5:1-23, Psalm 64:1-6, Proverbs 14:5-7
 20 1 Samuel 15:1-16:23, John 5:24-47, Psalm 64:7-10, Proverbs 14:8-9
 21 1 Samuel 17:1-58, John 6:1-21, Psalm 65:1-8, Proverbs 14:10-12
 22 1 Samuel 18:1-19:24, John 6:22-40, Psalm 65:9-13, Proverbs 14:13-14
 23 1 Samuel 20:1-21:15, John 6:41-59, Psalm 66:1-7, Proverbs 14:15-16
 24 1 Samuel 22:1-23:29, John 6:60-7:9, Psalm 66:8-15, Proverbs 14:17-19
 25 1 Samuel 24:1-25:44, John 7:10-30, Psalm 66:16-20, Proverbs 14:20-22
 26 1 Samuel 26:1-28:25, John 7:31-53, Psalm 67:1-7, Proverbs 14:23-25
 27 1 Samuel 29:1-31:13, John 8:1-20, Psalm 68:1-6, Proverbs 14:26-28
 28 2 Samuel 1:1-2:32, John 8:21-41, Psalm 68:7-14, Proverbs 14:29-30
 29 2 Samuel 3:1-4:12, John 8:42-9:7, Psalm 68:15-19, Proverbs 14:31-32
 30 2 Samuel 5:1-6:23, John 9:8-27, Psalm 68:20-27, Proverbs 14:33-35
 31 2 Samuel 7:1-9:13, John 9:28-10:6, Psalm 68:28-31, Proverbs 15:1-3

FEBRUARY

- 1 2 Samuel 10:1-11:27, John 10:7-30, Psalm 68:32-35, Proverbs 15:4-5
 2 2 Samuel 12:1-13:39, John 10:31-11:6, Psalm 69:1-4, Proverbs 15:6-7
 3 2 Samuel 14:1-15:37, John 11:7-20, Psalm 69:5-12, Proverbs 15:8-9
 4 2 Samuel 16:1-17:29, John 11:21-44, Psalm 69:13-18, Proverbs 15:10-11
 5 2 Samuel 18:1-19:23, John 11:45-12:11, Psalm 69:19-28, Proverbs 15:12-13
 6 2 Samuel 19:24-21:22, John 12:12-33, Psalm 69:29-36, Proverbs 15:14-15
 7 2 Samuel 22:1-23:7, John 12:34-13:11, Psalm 70:1-5, Proverbs 15:16-17
 8 2 Samuel 23:8-24:25, John 13:12-38, Psalm 71:1-8, Proverbs 15:18-19
 9 1 Kings 1:1-53, John 14:1-21, Psalm 71:9-16, Proverbs 15:20-21
 10 1 Kings 2:1-46, John 14:22-15:10, Psalm 71:17-24, Proverbs 15:22-23
 11 1 Kings 3:1-4:34, John 15:11-16:4, Psalm 72:1-7, Proverbs 15:24-25
 12 1 Kings 5:1-6:38, John 16:5-33, Psalm 72:8-14, Proverbs 15:26-27
 13 1 Kings 7:1-51, John 17:1-26, Psalm 72:15-20, Proverbs 15:28-29
 14 1 Kings 8:1-66, John 18:1-23, Psalm 73:1-6, Proverbs 15:30-31
 15 1 Kings 9:1-10:29, John 18:24-19:3, Psalm 73:7-12, Proverbs 15:32-33
 16 1 Kings 11:1-12:11, John 19:4-24, Psalm 73:13-20, Proverbs 16:1-2
 17 1 Kings 12:12-13:34, John 19:25-42, Psalm 73:21-28, Proverbs 16:3-4
 18 1 Kings 14:1-15:34, John 20:1-20, Psalm 74:1-6, Proverbs 16:5-7
 19 1 Kings 16:1-17:24, John 20:21-21:9, Psalm 74:7-11, Proverbs 16:8-10
 20 1 Kings 18:1-46, John 21:10-25, Psalm 74:12-17, Proverbs 16:11-12
 21 1 Kings 19:1-20:43, Acts 1:1-26, Psalm 74:18-23, Proverbs 16:13-15
 22 1 Kings 21:1-22:23, Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 75:1-10, Proverbs 16:16-17
 23 1 Kings 22:24- 2 Kings 1:18, Acts 2:22-47, Psalm 76:1-6, Proverbs 16:18-19
 24 2 Kings 2:1-3:27, Acts 3:1-26, Psalm 76:7-12, Proverbs 16:20
 25 2 Kings 4:1-5:14, Acts 4:1-22, Psalm 77:1-6, Proverbs 16:21-22
 26 2 Kings 5:15-7:9, Acts 4:23-5:11, Psalm 77:7-12, Proverbs 16:23-24

- 27 2 Kings 7:10-9:13, Acts 5:12-32, Psalm 77:13-20, Proverbs 16:25-26
 28 2 Kings 9:14-10:36, Acts 5:33-6:15, Psalm 78:1-8, Proverbs 16:27-28

MARCH

- 1 2 Kings 11:1-13:9, Acts 7:1-22, Psalm 78:9-16, Proverbs 16:29-30
 2 2 Kings 13:10-15:15, Acts 7:23-43, Psalm 78:17-22, Proverbs 16:31-33
 3 2 Kings 15:16-16:20, Acts 7:44-8:13, Psalm 78:23-31, Proverbs 17:1-2
 4 2 Kings 17:1-41, Acts 8:14-40, Psalm 78:32-39, Proverbs 17:3-4
 5 2 Kings Ki 18:1-19:19, Acts 9:1-22, Psalm 78:40-47, Proverbs 17:5-6
 6 2 Kings 19:20-21:26, Acts 9:23-43, Psalm 78:48-55, Proverbs 17:7-8
 7 2 Kings 22:1-23:37, Acts 10:1-23, Psalm 78:56-64, Proverbs 17:9-10
 8 2 Kings 24:25:30, Acts 10:24-48, Psalm 78:65-72, Proverbs 17:11-12
 9 1 Chronicles 1:1-2:2, Acts 11:1-30, Psalm 79:1-8, Proverbs 17:13-14
 10 1 Chronicles 2:3-55, Acts 12:1-25, Psalm 79:9-13, Proverbs 17:15-16
 11 1 Chronicles 3:1-4:43, Acts 13:1-22, Psalm 80:1-7, Proverbs 17:17
 12 1 Chronicles 5:1-6:32, Acts 13:23-41, Psalm 80:8-13, Proverbs 17:18-19
 13 1 Chronicles 6:33-81, Acts 13:42-14:7, Psalm 80:14-19, Proverbs 17:20-21
 14 1 Chronicles 7:1-8:28, Acts 14:8-28, Psalm 81:1-7, Proverbs 17:22-23
 15 1 Chronicles 8:29-9:44, Acts 15:1-21, Psalm 81:8-16, Proverbs 17:24-25
 16 1 Chronicles 10:1-11:47, Acts 15:22-41, Psalm 82:1-8, Proverbs 17:26
 17 1 Chronicles 12:1-13:14, Acts 16:1-24, Psalm 83:1-8, Proverbs 17:27-28
 18 1 Chronicles 14:1-16:6, Acts 16:25-17:9, Psalm 83:9-18, Proverbs 18:1-3
 19 1 Chronicles 16:7-17:15, Acts 17:10-34, Psalm 84:1-12, Proverbs 18:4-5
 20 1 Chronicles 17:16-20:8, Acts 18:1-23, Psalm 85:1-7, Proverbs 18:6-8
 21 1 Chronicles 21:1-23:13, Acts 18:24-19:20, Psalm 85:8-13, Proverbs 18:9-11
 22 1 Chronicles 23:14-24:31, Acts 19:21-41, Psalm 86:1-10, Proverbs 18:12-13
 23 1 Chronicles 25:1-26:32, Acts 20:1-21, Psalm 86:11-17, Proverbs 18:14-15
 24 1 Chronicles 27:1-28:21, Acts 20:22-21:6, Psalm 87:1-7, Proverbs 18:16-17
 25 1 Chronicles 29:1- 2 Chronicles 1:17, Acts 21:7-29, Psalm 88:1-9, Proverbs 18:18-19
 26 2 Chronicles 2:1-4:22, Acts 21:30-22:10, Psalm 88:10-18, Proverbs 18:20-21
 27 2 Chronicles 5:1-6:42, Acts 22:11-30, Psalm 89:1-10, Proverbs 18:22
 28 2 Chronicles 7:1-8:18, Acts 23:1-22, Psalm 89:11-18, Proverbs 18:23-24
 29 2 Chronicles 9:1-10:19, Acts 23:23-24:9, Psalm 89:19-29, Proverbs 19:1-3
 30 2 Chronicles 11:1-13:22, Acts 24:10-27, Psalm 89:30-37, Proverbs 19:4-5
 31 2 Chronicles 14:1-16:14, Acts 25:1-22, Psalm 89:38-45, Proverbs 19:6-7

APRIL

- 1 2 Chronicles 17:1-18:34, Acts 25:23-26:18, Psalm 89:46-52, Proverbs 19:8-9
 2 2 Chronicles 19:1-21:11, Acts 26:19-27:8, Psalm 90:1-12, Proverbs 19:10-12
 3 2 Chronicles 21:12-24:16, Acts 27:9-29, Psalm 90:13-17, Proverbs 19:13-14
 4 2 Chronicles 24:17-26:23, Acts 27:30-28:10, Psalm 91:1-8, Proverbs 19:15-16
 5 2 Chronicles 27:1-29:17, Acts 28:11-31, Psalm 91:9-16, Proverbs 19:17
 6 2 Chronicles 29:18-31:10, Romans 1:1-23, Psalm 92:1-7, Proverbs 19:18-19
 7 2 Chronicles 31:11-33:13, Romans 1:24-2:16, Psalm 92:8-15, Proverbs 19:20-21
 8 2 Chronicles 33:14-35:15, Romans 2:17-3:8, Psalm 93:1-5, Proverbs 19:22-23
 9 2 Chronicles 35:16- Ezra 1:1-11, Romans 3:9-31, Psalm 94:1-11, Proverbs 19:24-25
 10 Ezra 2:1-70, Romans 4:1-25, Psalm 94:12-23, Proverbs 19:26-27
 11 Ezra 3:1-5:17, Romans 5:1-21, Psalm 95:1-11, Proverbs 19:28-29
 12 Ezra 6:1-7:28, Romans 6:1-23, Psalm 96:1-9, Proverbs 20:1

- 13 Ezra 8:1-9:15, Romans 7:1-25, Psalm 96:10-13, Proverbs 20:2-3
 14 Ezra 10:1- Nehemiah 1:11, Romans 8:1-25, Psalm 97:1-6, Proverbs 20:4-6
 15 Nehemiah 2:1-3:32, Romans 8:26-9:5, Psalm 97:7-12, Proverbs 20:7-9
 16 Nehemiah 4:1-6:19, Romans 9:6-29, Psalm 98:1-9, Proverbs 20:10-12
 17 Nehemiah 7:1-60, Romans 9:30-10:21, Psalm 99:1-9, Proverbs 20:13-15
 18 Nehemiah 7:61-9:38, Romans 11:1-21, Psalm 100:1-5, Proverbs 20:16-18
 19 Nehemiah 10:1-11:19, Romans 11:22-12:7, Psalm 101:1-8, Proverbs 20:19-21
 20 Nehemiah 11:20-12:47, Romans 12:8-13:7, Psalm 102:1-11, Proverbs 20:22-23
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