



ANSWERING GOD'S CALL

MISR9302 Supervised Reading Colloquium: History of Missions

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
Spring 2021 – Four Days, F 6-8 (2/5, 3/5, 4/9, 5/7)

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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

This colloquium is designed to direct students majoring in Missions in the Doctor of Philosophy program in the foundational reading related to the history of missions.

Course Objectives

At the conclusion of the colloquium, the student should be able to:

1. Relate to a broad range of significant works related to the history of missions and critique these works in terms of strengths and weaknesses.
2. Articulate a clear understanding of foundational issues related to the history of missions.

Methodology

This colloquium is a resource-driven learning experience in which students will be guided by a professor through basic foundational reading assignments.

Course Requirements

1. Attend each session.
2. Prepare for the colloquium discussions by completing the assigned reading carefully.
3. Prepare to lead discussions of assigned books for the colloquium.
4. Book Summaries. Students will read and summarize (not critique) the books listed below and submit a printed copy of each summary to the professor on the respective due date. Each summary should be approximately 1 single-spaced page in length (with no paragraph breaks) for every 200 pages of text. No title page is required; please provide the name of the student and assignment as well as the date at the top of each submission. Each summary should include: a) Bibliographic entry and b) a brief biography of author.

Grading

The grade for the colloquium will be determined by the extent to which the student accomplishes the course objectives. This will largely be determined by accomplishing the course requirements. The professor may use a variety of accountability instruments such as oral presentations, written assessments, involvement in discussion, and other appropriate means.

Schedule

Meeting #1 on Feb. 5, 6–8 PM

Pierson, Paul. *The Dynamics Of Christian Mission: History Through A Missiological Perspective*. Pasadena, CA: William Carey International University Press, 2009.

Rudnick, Milton. *Speaking the Gospel through the Ages: A History of Evangelism*. St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House, 1984.

Smither, Edward L. *Christian Mission: A Concise Global History*. Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2019.

Meeting #2 on Mar. 5, 6–8 PM

Anderson, Courtney. *To the Golden Shore: The Life of Adoniram Judson*. Valley Forge, PA: Judson Press, 1956.

Finney, John. *Recovering the Past: Celtic and Roman Mission*. London: Darton Longman & Todd, 2011.

Thomas, Norman E. *Missions and Unity: Lessons From History, 1792–2010*. Eugene, OR: Cascade Books, 2010.

Meeting #3 on Apr. 9, 6–8 PM

Kane, J. Herbert. *A Concise History of the Christian World Mission. A Panoramic View of Missions from Pentecost to the Present*. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1982.

Rutledge, Arthur and William G. Tanner. *Mission to America: A History of Southern Baptist Home Missions*, 2nd rev. ed. Nashville: Broadman Press, 1983.

Stanley, Brian, ed. *Christian Missions and the Enlightenment*. Studies in the History of Christian Missions. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2001.

Meeting #4 on May 7, 6–8 PM

Austin, Alvyn. *China's Millions: The China Inland Mission and Late Qing Society, 1832-1905*. Studies in the History of Christian Missions. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2007.

Stanley, Brian. *The World Missionary Conference, Edinburgh 1910*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2009.

Walls, Andrew F. *The Missionary Movement in Christian History: Studies in the Transmission of Faith*. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Press, 1996.