

NEW ORLEANS BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

WOMEN'S MINISTRY BASIC CERTIFICATE

Rationale

In recent years, church programs designed specifically for women have been increasing. Many large churches have part-time or full-time women's ministry directors on staff. Smaller churches have lay women coordinating the women's programs on a volunteer basis. Therefore, the Church Leadership Certificate Program of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary has developed specialized, short-term training for women's ministry leaders. This certificate is available to all persons regardless of educational background. It is designed to provide supplemental training for local church leaders in women's ministry.

Purpose

The purpose of the Women's Ministry Basic Certificate is to prepare Christian women to lead the women's work through their local church. Courses will provide inspiration, information, instruction, and interaction for staff Women's Ministry Directors and lay leaders.

Requirements

A woman with at least a high school diploma or a GED equivalent is eligible to apply for the Basic Certificate in Women's Ministry degree. Two required courses must be fulfilled at any time before the completion of this certificate: "Women's Work in the Local Church" (2 hours credit) and "Women's Ministry Project" (2 hours credit). The required courses satisfy four of the eight hours required for this certificate. The additional four elective hours can be completed by choosing from the courses listed below.

Program Format

Courses are designed in a variety of formats, including campus workshops, online, and practicums. Workshop weeks are offered four times a year during the months of October, March, May, and July/August. Workshops are typically 2½ days in length, except where noted differently. Online courses are generally eight weeks in length, and are offered at the start of the fall, spring, and summer semesters. Students can enroll in independent study practicums at the start of the each semester, and should complete them by the end of the semester.

Curriculum Outline

Required for Basic Certificate

- *Women's Work in the Local Church* - WMCM 1215 (2 hrs. credit; 5-day on-campus workshop offered each academic year in March or October)
- *Women's Ministry Project* - WMCM 1216 (2 hrs. credit; independent practicum)

Women's Ministry Electives

- *A Survey of Feminist Theology* - WMCM 1140 (1 hr. credit - workshop)
- *Bible Study for Women* - WMCM 1125 (1 hr. credit - online and workshop)
- *Biblical Womanhood* - WMCM 1137 (1 hr. credit - workshop)

More courses on other side →

- *Contemporary Models* - WMCM 1120/1220 (1 or 2 hrs. credit - independent practicum)
- *Expanding Your Women's Ministry Through Writing* - WMCM 1141 (1 hr. credit - workshop)
- *Girls' Enrichment Ministry* - WMCM 1143 (1 hr. credit – online and workshop)
- *Lay Counseling for Women* - WMCM 1134 (1 hr. credit - workshop)
- *Leadership Training for Women* - WMCM 1117 (1 hr. credit - online and workshop)
- *Lifestyle Witnessing for Women* - WMCM 1124 (1 hr. credit - online and workshop)
- *Ministry with Grievors* - WMCM 1139 (1 hr. credit - workshop)
- *Missions for Women* - WMCM 1133 (1 hr. credit - online and workshop)
- *Multicultural Women's Ministry* – WMCM 1144 (1 hr. credit – workshop)
- *Planning Special Events for Women* - WMCM 1118 (1 hr. credit - online and workshop)
- *Public Speaking for Women* - WMCM 1217 (2 hr. credit - workshop)
- *Recreational Programs for Women* - WMCM 1126 (1 hr. credit – online and workshop)
- *Relationship Skills for Women* - WMCM 1123 (1 hr. credit - workshop)
- *Spiritual Gifts of Women* - WMCM 1115 (1 hr. credit - online and workshop)
- *Support Groups for Women* - WMCM 1122 (1 hr. credit – online and workshop)
- *Teaching Basic Baptist Beliefs for Women* – WMCM 1146 (1 hr. credit – online)
- *Women and Church Growth* - WMCM 1119 (1 hr. credit - online and workshop)
- *Women Mentoring Women* - WMCM 1131 (1 hr. credit - online and workshop)
- *Women's Ministry Programs* - WMCM 1121 (1 hr. credit - online and workshop)
- *Women's Ministry to Mothers* – WMCM 1136 (1 hr. credit - online)