

EAST TEXAS BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

SYLLABUS FOR MINISTRY (MINS)1118

PERSONAL EVANGELISM

I. COURSE DESCRIPTION: a study of the principles, theology, and methods of New Testament evangelism. Attention will be given to personal witnessing and to the equipping of others. This course cannot be applied toward a major or minor but may be considered as an elective.

II. COURSE TEXTBOOK:

- Reid, Alvin. *Introduction to Evangelism*. Nashville: Broadman & Holman, 1999.

III. COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- The student will demonstrate knowledge of the history and methods of personal evangelism.
- The student will implement the methods of personal evangelism.
- The student will demonstrate knowledge of the urgency, need, and basis for personal evangelism.
- The student will demonstrate that he/she has developed his/her own personal testimony and method of evangelism.

IV. COURSE OUTLINE:

- What We Must Know: The Convictional Basis of Evangelism
 - What is Evangelism?
 - The Biblical Standard for Evangelism
 - Evangelism in the Early Church
 - Evangelism in Christian History
 - Theology of Evangelism
- How We Must Live: The Spiritual Basis for Evangelism
 - The Character of the Witness
 - Evangelism as a Spiritual Discipline
 - Prayer and Evangelism
 - The Holy Spirit and Evangelism
 - The Testimony of the Christian Witness
- What We Must Do: The Methodological Basis of Evangelism
 - Personal Evangelism
 - Personal Evangelism: The Various Types
 - Personal Evangelism and You: The Model Presentation

V. COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

- Students should read the assigned pages in the textbook prior to each class session.
- Students **must attend a minimum of twelve** of the fifteen class sessions in order to be eligible to receive credit.
- Students will complete one examination.

VI. COURSE GRADING:

Students who earn

- 90 points or above earn an A
- 80-89 points earn a B
- 70-79 points earn a C
- 60-69 points earn a D
- 59 points or less earn a F

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