

**Alabama Course of Study
Huntingdon College
Summer 2019
July 5-6 and August 2-3
Assignments and Course Requirements**

Course: **COS 523: Evangelism**
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Please submit this entire assignment stapled on an Alabama Course of Study Cover Sheet to the instructor listed above. Your prework will be due on the first weekend of the course.

Course Description: COS - 523 Evangelism

This course introduces students to the theology and practices of evangelism as an expression of the mission of God.

Students will be able to:

1. Reflect on and articulate the meaning of the Gospel and an understanding of the Church as bearers of God's Word to the world.
2. Ground a theology of evangelism in scripture, the Gospel, and the mission of God.
3. Interpret of the Wesleyan heritage of evangelism.
4. Reflect on and implement strategies and models for evangelism by the congregation.

Required Texts:

1. Macchia, Stephen A. Becoming A Healthy Church. (Baker Books, Grand Rapids, MI, 1999) **ISBN 0-800-1177-9**
2. Hunter, George E., Church For The Unchurched. (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1996) **ISBN: 0-687277329**
3. Hybels, William. Just Walk Across the Room – Simple Steps Pointing People To Faith. (Zondervan: Grand Rapids, Mich, 2006) **ISBN: 10:0-310-2669-6**

Supplementary Texts:

- Arias, Mortimer. *Announcing the Reign of God*. Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1984. (ISBN 1579105637)
- Fox, H. Eddie & George Morris. *Faith-Sharing. Revised and Expanded Edition*. Nashville: Discipleship Resources, 1996. (ISBN 9780881771589)
- Knight, Henry H. & F. Douglas Powe. *Transforming Evangelism: The Wesleyan Way of Sharing Faith*. Nashville: Discipleship Resources, 2006. (ISBN 9780881774856)

Textbooks may be ordered from Cokesbury.com or Amazon.com.

Assignments:

Pre-work Assignment: Interview three persons in your church whom you believe to “represent” your church’s entire congregation. Inclusiveness in age, gender, and theological variety, if that is an issue, length of time as a member, socio-economic differences etc. should be taken into consideration. Your task is to endeavor to discover the present attitude of your congregation in the area of Evangelism and to discover ways to convey a fresh vision if needed. Consider using the following questions as an example.

- What does the word Evangelism mean to you?
- Where does the ministry of Evangelism fall in the priorities of our church?
- Why should we be involved in Evangelism?
- What did Jesus say about this subject?
- Would you consider our church to do a good job in this area? Why or why not?
- Would you personally like to be able to share your faith with another?
- Does the conversion of persons yet to express faith concern you?

Come up with other questions of your own that apply to your particular situation.

Write a two page review of these interviews particularly focusing on what you learned from your people and how that information will help you plan future sermons, programs, and visions for your congregation. This work will be taken up on Friday of the first session. This will be one-third of your grade. Late papers will not be accepted.

There will be another assignment given the first weekend of the class to be turned in the second weekend.

PreCourse / MidCourse / PostCourse Work Policy

We all have deadlines that govern our lives. It is crucial that you take seriously your commitment to complete the pre-work assignments by the deadline. Extensions are granted only for extenuating circumstances. Normal pastoral duties do not constitute extenuating circumstances. Late work will be penalized. Any extension must be granted by the instructor of the class. For your protection, please keep copies of your pre-work assignments.

- All PreCourse and MidCourse work must be submitted to the professor by the date indicated on the syllabus or assigned by the professor on the first weekend. Late PreCourse/midcourse work will be accepted for two weeks following the due date (but not beyond) with the following penalties:
 1. **PreCourse/MidCourse** work submitted within one week of the due date will receive a **one letter grade deduction**
 2. **PreCourse/MidCourse** work submitted after one week of the due date but within two weeks will receive a **two-letter grade deduction**

3. **No assignments** will be accepted after two weeks from the due date and a grade of “F” will be given in the course.
 4. **In cases where the student has registered late the same policy applies.**
- **PostCourse** work may be assigned in some courses. Post course work will be due no later than two weeks after the completion of the second weekend of the course. **No** late submissions will be accepted.

Grading:

Prework – 34%

Midwork – 33%

Class Participation – 33%