



Nipawin Bible College
Course: CM251 - Youth Ministry
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2 Credits
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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will examine the relationship between the Great Commandment and Commission within the arena of church youth ministry, covering planning, spiritual disciplines, and living life with youth in the community of believers.

COURSE TEXTBOOKS

DeVries, Mark. *Sustainable Youth Ministry*. Intersity Press, 2008. **204 pages.**

Clark, Chap. *Youth Ministry in the 21st Century*. Zondervan, 2015. **170 pages.**

THE BIG QUESTION

Is it possible that you, with all of the gifts, talents, and flaws can disciple the youth of this ever changing and deeply sinful world?

LEARNING OUTCOMES

The overall objective of this course is to equip students with the tools they need to disciple today's youth. These tools include but are not limited to:

1. Use Scripture to mentor and disciple youth and youth ministry staff.
2. Structure and consider the best ways to use the time spent with teens.
3. Acquiring and managing essential skills for youth ministry including communication and personal care.
4. Realizing your place in youth ministry with regard to teenagers and their parents.

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

Textbook 15%

Students will read "Sustainable Youth Ministry" before the start of class. As you read, please have a pen in hand to highlight, write down, and otherwise emphasize parts of the book you feel speak to you and that shape the way you see youth ministry. Students will summarize their thoughts on the book in a one-page evaluation. Marks will be based on amount of intelligent interaction, as well as content of evaluation. Answer questions such as "what was helpful in this book?" "What was unhelpful?" "Does what I am reading here affect the way I will do ministry or interact with people?" Be prepared to discuss the content of the text though not in chronological order.

TEXTBOOK READING DUE: 23 NOVEMBER 2018

Philosophy of Youth Ministry 20%

Students will be required to submit a minimum 2-page (2 line spacing, 12 point, Times New Roman font) document describing the principles by which they will lead their youth ministry. Careful thought and consideration must be given to this philosophy as guided by the information and principles in the textbook, the material covered in class, and the students personal convictions. Biblical support for your positions in the philosophy is mandatory. You will defend this philosophy during your interview on Friday.

PAPER DUE IN CLASS: 22 NOVEMBER 2018

Class Participation 20%

20% of the students mark will be based on the amount they interact in class with the professor, peers, and subject matter at hand. Quality of participation will be emphasized over quantity of participation! In addition, we will be discussing the textbook "Youth Ministry in the 21st Century" for appx. 30 mins each day of class, implying that the book be completed before the start of class.

Discipleship in the Modern Day Paper 20%

Students will write a 5 page paper according to the standards found above on the topic of the discipleship of youth within a modern day context. Many churches now have protection programs in place that seem to run contrary to making disciples the way that Jesus did. Students will explore the pros and cons of such protection systems, as well as formulating a strategy of making disciples that

respects the wishes of their church, as well as the mandate of our Savior to make disciples.

PAPER DUE: 6 DECEMBER 2018

Practical Assignment Interview 25%

You have a \$400.00 budget, and a promise to your youth group for an epic event. Come up with one! You may consult with your peers and mentors. You would be wise to use all the information you learn in class for this event. Consider this a practical exam for our class. In addition to this, you will meet with me to defend and dissect your event, as well as discuss your participation, progress and heart for ministry.

Due Friday at your interview

All written assignments are to be typed in accordance with the NBC Study Guide for papers. Assignments will be graded on the basis of content, clarity, grammar, and spelling. Assignments will be due **no later than 5:00 pm** on the day that they are assigned.

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

- Refer to the NBC Handbook 2018-2019

LATE ASSIGNMENT POLICY:

- Refer to the NBC Handbook 2018-2019

Reading: 370 pages

Writing: 8 pages minimum.

SELECT BIBLIOGRAPHY

Alter, Adam. *Irresistible*. Penguin Press, 2017.

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Crabtree, Jack. *Better Safe than Sued*. Youth Specialties, 2008.

Mueller, Walt. *Youth Culture 101*. Youth Specialties, 2007.

Yaconelli, Mark. *Growing Souls*. Youth Specialties, 2007.