

Nipawin Bible College CM1013 Apologetics and Evangelism (Deacon's Track) Fall 2022 3 Credits Instructor: Mr. Richard Friedt rfriedt@nipawin.org

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course helps students appreciate the majesty of the gospel and equip them to live in a confident faith which expresses itself in evangelism.

#### **COURSE TEXTBOOKS**

American Gospel: Christ Crucified. Video. AG2 Motion Picture, 2020.

Chatraw, Josh and Mark D. Allen. *Apologetics at the Cross: An Introduction for Christian Witness*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2018.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

By the end of the course students will be able to...

- 1. Understand the gospel.
- 2. Appreciate the gospel and therefore be motivated to communicate the gospel with non-Christians.
- 3. Meet common objections to their faith.
- 4. Express more confidence in the truthfulness of their faith.

#### **COURSE ASSIGNMENTS**

## **Scripture Memorization - 25%**

- The Bible is central in evangelism. Therefore, students are be required to memorize key verses and reproduce them at the required time. Scripture can be memorized in any non-paraphrase translation.
- Scripture memorization will assess how well the students have met Course Objectives 1 and 2.

**DUE: See the Course Schedule** 

### Quizzes - 25%

- The student will read selected portions of the textbook *Apologetics at the Cross* that will be assigned by the instructor.
- Quizzes will be given orally via discussion with the instructor, at times agreed to between the instructor and student. *Please book an appointment with your instructor prior to each quiz due date.*
- Quizzes will assess how well students have met Course Objectives 3 and 4.

**DUE: See the Course Schedule** 

### Report - 25%

- Students will watch the video *American Gospel: Christ Crucified* and make an appointment with the instructor before the due date to discuss a few insights that they gained from the video.
- The insights will assess how well the students have met Course Objectives 1 and 2.

**DUE: October 28, 2022** 

## **Evangelism Practice - 25%**

- Students will be required to deliver their gospel presentation to four different people:
  - 1. The first presentation will be done with someone else in this course.
  - 2. The second presentation will be done with one of the faculty or staff at Nipawin Bible College (cannot be the class instructor).
  - 3. The third presentation will be done with someone you do not know well in your church.
  - 4. The fourth presentation will be done with someone who is unsaved or someone whose salvation is unknown.
- For the first three practices, the person who is listening to the student's presentation will fill out a report form (see Appendix 1). For the fourth presentation, the student will fill out a self-evaluation.
- Evangelism Practice will assess how well students have met Course Objectives 1 and 2.

**DUE: See the Course Schedule** 

Assignments will be due at the beginning of the class period on the day that they are assigned.

### **ATTENDANCE POLICY:**

Refer to the NBC Handbook 2022-2023

### **LATE ASSIGNMENT POLICY:**

• Refer to the NBC Handbook 2022-2023

Reading: 120 pages of Chatraw and Allen

# **COURSE LECTURES AND ASSIGNMENT SCHEDULE:**

DATE	SESSION TOPIC	ASSIGNMENT DUE				
Sept. 20	Introduction to Evangelism & Apologetics					
Sept. 23	Know the Gospel					
Sept. 27	Share the Gospel	Memory Quiz: Romans 5:8; 6:23; James 2:10				
Oct. 4	Apologetics in the Bible – Parts 1 & 2	Evangelism Practice 1				
Oct. 7	Apologetics in the Great Tradition  – Parts 1 & 2	Memory Quiz: Ephesians 2:8-10				
Oct. 11	Making Sense of the Methods	Memory Quiz: John 3:16; 14:6; 2 Cor. 5:21				
Oct. 14	Taking People to the Cross	Quiz: Chapters 3–5				
Oct. 18	Mr. Doug Harkness					
Oct. 21	Humility Before God & Others – Part 1	Evangelism Practice 2				
Oct. 25	Humility Before God & Others – Part 2					
Oct. 28	Appealing to the Whole Person	American Gospel: Christ Crucified Insights				
Nov. 1	Contextualization					
Nov. 4	Preparing to Engage – Part 1	Quiz: Chapters 6-9				
Nov. 15	Preparing to Engage – Part 2	Evangelism Practice 3				
Nov. 18	Engaging in Late Modernism – Part 1					
Nov. 22	Engaging in Late Modernism – Part 2					
Nov. 25	Dealing with Defeaters – Part 1	Quiz: Chapters 10-11				
Dec. 2	Dealing with Defeaters – Part 2	Evangelism Practice 4				
Dec. 6	Making a Case					
Dec. 9	Go Therefore and Make Disciples	Quiz: Chapters 12-13				
Dec. 14-16 (Exam Week)	Exam	Course Review				

### **SELECT BIBLIOGRAPHY**

Chan, Sam. *Evangelism in a Skeptical World*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Academic, 2018.

Lewis, C.S. Mere Christianity.

McLaughlin, Rebecca. Confronting Christianity: 12 Hard Questions for the World's Largest Religion. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2019.

Morley, Brian. *Mapping Apologetics: Comparing Contemporary Approaches*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2015.

Spurgeon, Charles. The Soul Winner.

## **Appendix 1: Evangelism Practice Report**

Thank you for helping the student complete an assignment for the "Apologetics and Evangelism" course they are taking at Nipawin Bible College. Please completely read through this document before the student begins their presentation so that you will be prepared to listen well.

In order to practice their skills at presenting the gospel, the student will shortly deliver an evangelistic gospel presentation to you. During their presentation, give at least one objection that they might hear from a non-Christian (e.g. I'm not bad; I think all religions are true; this doesn't sound fair; etc.). After the presentation, please fill out the form and return it to the student. Thank you for your help!

Name	of Stud	ent:										
Name	of Liste	ner:										
Rate fr	om 1 to	10, wh	nere 1 is	very po	oor and	10 is ex	cellent:					
1)	The student avoided words that would be unfamiliar to non-Christians OR defined unfamiliar words.											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
2)	The stu	udent di 2	isplayed 3	confide 4	ence. 5	6	7	8	9	10		
3)						•	-		•	they were presenting.		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
4)	The stu 1	udent ex 2	xplained 3	d well w 4	hy I (the 5	e listene 6	er) need 7	Christ. 8	9	10		
5)	The stu	The student explained well what Christ did for me (the listener).										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
6)	The stu	udent ex 2	xplained 3	d well w 4	hat I (th 5	e listen 6	er) need 7	ded to d 8	o in ord 9	er to be saved. 10		
7)	Throughout the presentation, the student used appropriate Bible verses to support what they were saying.											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
8)	Please give the objection you raised:											
9)	The stu	The student handled my objection well.										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
10)	) What	did the	student	do that	is espec	cially de	eserving	of prais	se?			

11) What area(s) would be most beneficial for the student to work on improving?