



Nipawin Bible College
CM2102 Youth Ministry
Winter 2023
2 Credit Hours
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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 TEXTBOOK

DeVries, Mark. *Sustainable Youth Ministry*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2008.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The overall objective of this course is to equip students with the tools they need to disciple today's youth. These tools include:

1. Using Scripture to disciple and mentor teens.
2. Mentoring and discipling youth ministry staff and sponsors.
3. Structuring and considering the best ways to use the time spent with teens.
4. Managing personal and work time together, including building margin into life.
5. Realizing your place in youth ministry with regard to teenagers and their parents.
6. Speaking and interacting with youth in various ways and means.
7. Relating to church boards, senior pastors, or supervisors in the church with regard to your ministry and other duties.

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

Textbook - 20%

- Students will read "Sustainable Youth Ministry" before the start of class. As they read, they are to have a pen in hand to highlight, write down, and otherwise emphasize parts of the book they feel speak to them and that shape the way they 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 in class.

DUE: Tuesday, January 3rd

Philosophy of Youth Ministry Paper - 20%

- Students will be required to submit a minimum 2 page 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 student's personal convictions. Biblical support for position in the philosophy is mandatory. Student will defend this philosophy during their interview on Friday.

DUE: Thursday, January 5th

Class Participation - 15%

- The student's 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.

Discipleship Paper - 20%

- Students will write a 4 page paper 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 their opinion of the best strategy in discipling youth according to the mandate of our Saviour to make disciples.

DUE: Friday, January 6th

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. Details are crucial, and must be documented on at least 2 pages. 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. Priority will be given to those students who are taking the course for credit.

DUE: Paper is due at your interview on Friday

NOTE: All written assignments are to be typed in accordance with the guidelines in Kate L. Turabian's *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, 9th ed. (Chicago, IL: The University of Chicago Press, 2018) for papers. **(See NBC Sample Paper - 2022.)** Assignments will be graded on the basis of content, clarity, grammar, and spelling.

Assignments will be due at the **beginning of class** on the date assigned.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

- Refer to the NBC Handbook 2022-2023

LATE ASSIGNMENT POLICY

- Refer to the NBC Handbook 2022-2023

BIBLIOGRAPHY

See:

- Library Section 259