

Appendix A

A Sample of Courses and Their Descriptions in the Student Ministry Degree at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary¹

Masters' Level Courses

Disciple Making in Student Ministry

Study of biblical patterns and goals for discipleship. Includes a focus on structuring and administering student ministry for discipleship, discipling and equipping adult leaders, creating a multi-year process for weekly discipleship, open and covenant group Bible study, discipling through events, and equipping teenagers to disciple believers now and for a lifetime. Considers prayer strategies for student ministry and how to raise the sails for revival in a young generation.

Family Focus in Student Ministry

Study of biblical patterns and goals for discipleship. This study will thoroughly prepare church leaders to understand biblical parenting and spiritual leadership in the home, how to teach these two disciplines to parents, and how to move parents into first position as spiritual leaders to their children. Also considers how to respond to family crises, how to build family programming and involvement in student ministry, and how to integrate teenagers into the larger church family.

Great Commission Student Ministry

Study of biblical principles for evangelizing teenagers and their families and concrete strategies built on those principles. Includes a focus on drawing lost teenagers to the church, on evangelizing in the school and community, and on training and mobilizing teenagers to evangelize. Considers how to involve teenagers consistently in missions locally, in the U.S., and globally, now and for a lifetime.

Introduction to Student Ministry

A study will be made of the philosophy, audiences, and principles of effective student ministry as it relates to the functions of the church. Consideration will be given to the work of other denominations and groups.

Leading Student Ministry

Study of the biblical foundation for the church's ministry with teenage believers and for a pastor who leads that ministry. Presents how to balance evangelism, discipleship, worship, missions, ministry, and fellowship through a comprehensive youth ministry strategy leading to lifetime transformation and kingdom impact. Teaches skill in worship planning, budgeting, calendaring, and event management. Also considers how to understand teenagers, their life crises, and their culture.

Ministry of Music and Youth

¹ EunSaem Cho, *A Biblical Evaluation of Richard Ross' Philosophy of Youth Ministry as Reflected in His Life and Ministry: The Supremacy of Christ*, 2018. Her sources were from SWBTS youth ministry professors: Dr. Wesley Black, Dr. Richard Ross, Dr. Johnny Derouen.

A study of the role of the church staff member and the major functional areas related to the unique combination of music and student ministry.

Ministry with Families of Teenagers

A study of the processes, resources, and methods employed by the student minister in developing a comprehensive strategy of student ministry, including global youth ministry. An emphasis will be given to all professional issues, competencies, and relationships of the minister.

Ministry with the Family of Teenagers

A study of families inside and outside the church that are consistent and inconsistent with Scripture. Attention will be given to equipping parents for biblical parenting and primary spiritual leadership, responding to family crises, and building family involvement in student ministry.

Student Developmental Psychology and Life Issues

Through discussion, observation, interviews, research, and reading, a study will be made of the developmental processes of youth to determine characteristics, problems, life situations, and moral/religious needs. The purpose of this course is to guide students in understanding and creatively relating to contemporary youth issues.

Student Ministry Culture and Relationships

Looking at the impact of a changing culture and relationships on students' walk with Jesus.

Student Ministry Essentials

The Biblical basics and foundations of youth ministry and one's calling.

Student Ministry Field Experience

Prerequisite is required. Student Field Experience is off-campus education. It is designed to be cumulative, integrative learning experience. In this sense it should be an opportunity for students to pull together classroom experience in realistic hands-on situations toward the end of their seminary training.

Student Ministry Field Experience

Experiential, in the field, class involving one's superior's evaluations, discussions, and classroom teaching.

Student Ministry Strategies

Learning how to evaluate one's youth ministry and develop Biblical strategies for having an equipping youth ministry (Eph. 4:11-14)

The Role of Students in Revivals and Awakenings

A study of revivals and awakenings in the Old Testament, New Testament, and down through the centuries; the crucial roles taken by students in these movements; and steps that can be taken to set the sails for biblical revival in our day.

Understanding Teenagers and Their Life Issues

Through discussion, observation, interviews, research, and reading, a study will be made of the growth and development of teenagers to determine characteristics, problems, life situations, and moral/religious needs. The purpose of this course is to guide students in understanding and creatively relating to contemporary teenage issues in light of truths from God's Word.

Doctoral Seminars Ph.D.

Adolescents and Their Parents

Advanced study of the relationship between teenagers and their parents. Attention will be given to biblical principles of family life, equipping parents for biblical parenting and primary spiritual leadership, responding to family crises, and building family involvement in student ministry.

Contemporary Student Culture and Issues

An evaluation of contemporary youth cultural forms and issues with evaluation as derived from the Bible and implications for ministry to the youth generation in the local church and denominational context.

Contemporary Student Cultural Forms

A study of contemporary youth cultural forms, with evaluation as derived from the Bible and implications for ministry to the youth generation. Research into such forms as popular arts, music, and drama will be included.

Contemporary Student Problem

An in-depth study of contemporary issues facing youth and society in light of the teaching of God's Word with implications for ministry in the church and denominational context.

Curriculum Studies in Youth Education

A historical study and evaluation according to God's Word of Southern Baptist youth organizations' curriculum materials. Programs and materials of other denominations and interdenominational agencies for youth will also be studied.

History and Philosophy of Student Ministry

A study of the history of youth ministry from the nineteenth century to the present. Comparisons of the role of the Bible, philosophies, and approaches of church groups, parachurch groups, denominational agencies, and youth organizations will be made.

Student Faith Formation

A study of the congruence or lack of congruence of various theories of spiritual development with the teaching of Scripture. Special attention will be given to spiritual development through parental spiritual leadership, preaching, discipling, intergenerational mentoring, the practice of spiritual disciplines, and peer relationships. Special attention will be given to the building of a comprehensive curriculum plan that best supports faith formation.

Student Ministry in Cultural Contexts

Basic research into cultural, ethnic, and racial issues related to youth ministry. implications for youth ministry in a mission context drawn from the teaching of the Bible will be explored.

Student Ministry in Cultural Contexts

A study of effective student ministry in immigrant churches in the U.S., in U.S. churches with racially mixed student groups, and in churches in other nations. Attention will be given to biblical elements of ministry universal across all churches and to unique approaches to ministry according to the cultural context.

Teenagers and Their Parents

Advanced study of the relationship between teenagers and their parents. Attention will be given to biblical principles of family life, equipping parents for biblical parenting and primary spiritual leadership, responding to family crises, and building family involvement in student ministry.

The History of Youth Ministry

The Student Minister – The Person and Role

A study of the position of student minister, including biblical rationale, calling, equipping, roles, responsibilities, and ministry relationships. This will include the design of a biblical model of local-church ministry with teenagers and their parents and leaders.

Theories of Adolescence

A study of the major theories of adolescence, a critical analysis of those theories, and the refinement of implications for ministry flowing from those theories.

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Theology and Practice of Biblical Disciple-Making

This seminar explores the process of biblical disciple-making from a personal and corporate perspective. Students will critically evaluate their own Christian formation in accordance with God's Word and apply the truth of Scripture to the strategic and intentional development of authentic disciples in the local church.

Appendix B

A Sample of Courses and Their Descriptions in the Student Ministry Degree at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary²

Undergraduate

EDU 2620 Ministry with Youth

A study of the basic needs and problems of middle and high school age youth. Emphasis will be placed on developing programs for youth in the local church.

Masters' Level

CED 6553 Ministry of Christian Education with Youth

A study of the basic needs and problems of middle and high school-age youth, with special attention to religious development.

CED 6801 Children, Youth, and the Christian Faith

Approaches for developing ministries for children which will better equip them to experience and respond to God at their own level of understanding will be considered. Worship conversion, church membership, baptism, and the Lord's Supper, prayer, and the Bible are the primary content areas. 3 semester hrs.

CED 6810 Foundations of Youth Ministry

A study of foundational principles in establishing and maintaining a ministry to youth. This course emphasizes a biblical basis, philosophy, and essentials for an effective youth ministry. The recruitment and staffing of volunteers is highlighted.

CED 6811 Youth Ministry in the Local Church

A study of Sunday and mid-week youth services. This course emphasizes the development of a Bible-based youth ministry. Programs, summer activities, promotion, financing, and the maintenance of a music ministry are stressed. Prerequisite: CED 6810.

CED 6812 Missions in Youth Ministry

An examination of national and international missions for youth. Attention will be given to the development of a local evangelistic emphasis on the public school campus as well as the planning and promotion of national and international mission trips for youth. Prerequisite: CED 6810.

CED 6813 Professional Youth Ministry

A study of the principles of professionalism in youth ministry. Job descriptions, staff development and relationships, as well as legal considerations in youth ministry will be emphasized. Prerequisite: CED 6810.

² <http://catalog.sebts.edu/mime/media/view/5/186/2008-2009.pdf> (accessed May 14, 2020)

CED 6814 Special Issues in Youth Ministry

This course will highlight issues that may arise in youth ministry which demand special consideration. Appropriate behavior and discipline are highlighted. Consideration of special-needs youth is also examined. Prerequisite: CED 6810.

CED 6815 Current Issues with Students

A study of personal and social problems, value systems and thought-styles of high school and college students, with special attention given to the defense of absolutes in a youth culture.

CED 6816 Youth Problems

A study of the personal and social problems of adolescents in America. The resources for guiding youth are examined with special emphasis upon the home and church. 3 semester hrs.

CED 6817 Ministering to the Middle and HS Student

A study of the conceptual traits and cognitive growth of Middle and HS students with special attention to biblical training. Prerequisite: CED 6810.

CED 6819 Internship in Youth Ministry

A supervised field experience at an approved youth ministry site. The student will spend 200 hours of on-field training and experience during the semester. 6 semester hrs. Prerequisites: CED 6810.

CED 6820 Principles and Practice of Campus Ministry

A study of the church and ministry in higher education, with emphasis on programs to meet undergraduate needs, work with special groupings within the college and university, and the role of the professional campus minister.

CED 6890 Developmental Issues Across the Life Span

A review of biblical and theological issues related to human growth and development through childhood, adolescence, adulthood, and old age. Application of current theories of growth and development will be made in educational and counseling contexts.

CED 6891 Child and Adolescent Development

A study of the human growth developmental process of children, birth through seventeen years. Physical, mental, social/emotional, and moral/spiritual characteristics are identified and related to implications for parents and teachers. Developmental theories are explored and observations are made.

CED 6953 Practicum with the High School Student

Planning, executing, and evaluating a special program or project with junior or senior high school students in selected settings. Prerequisite: CED 6553. Pass/Fail Course – See note above.

Appendix C

Topical Index and Summary of Advanced Youth Ministry Topics Discussed at Youth Ministry Institute in the early 2000's³

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

24FPS is Ministry in Motion, Allen Jackson outlines the leadership competencies required for leading youth ministry in the midst of constant change.

Biblical Leadership Allen Jackson challenged youth ministers at YMI 2000 to utilize higher thinking skills to provide biblical, visionary leadership for the youth group.

Does the Church Need Youth Ministry? - a major paper by Dr. Allen Jackson, published as an article in the American Baptist Quarterly, Spring 2000.

Emerging Issues with Millennials (Mosaics) - Mick Makamson provides an overview of the characteristics of the generation which will become teenagers in the early 2000s.

Emerging Issues for Evangelism in the Millennial Generation - a major paper by Ron Dingus, doctoral student at New Orleans Seminary, that investigates evangelism practice in the light of generational theory.

Changing Your Church Culture - Jim Graham, PhD student at NOBTS, shared the process for leading cultural change within the church that brings new results and effectiveness as part of YMI 2000.

The Millennial Culture Allen Jackson provided insights into the trends we are seeing in the millennial culture, and provided questions for discussion on how to deal with these issues in the local church at YMI 2000.

Paradoxes in Ministry with Millennials Allen Jackson provides further insights at YMI 2001 for connecting with the teenage culture.

Understanding Today's Youth Culture, Walt Mueller, president of the Center for Parent/Youth Understanding, brought a full day of research and reflection on contemporary youth culture at YMI 2000.

Youth Ministry in the African American Church - Maina Mwaura presents insights into effective ministry concepts and programming.

Budgeting and Discipline Policies - Allen Jackson and Jim Graham facilitated discussions about budgeting and discipline policies, and presented two models for applying mission statements by programming with a purpose at YMI 2000.

³ <http://www.nobts.edu/ymi/research.htm> (accessed May 14, 2020 through web.archive.org)

A Campus Evangelism Strategy- At YMI 2000, Mark Roberts brought a presentation on how to involve students in campus evangelism.

Choosing Youth Bible Study Curriculum, Chuck Gartman provides helpful criteria for selecting the right curriculum for your church. As part of YMI 2001, Chuck and Allen Jackson facilitated a follow-up discussion, parts of which are online here.

Christian Education for Teens - Chuck Gartman of Lifeway Christian Resources shared several thoughts about being a youth educator and surviving long-term as a youth minister in a church at YMI 2000.

Discipleship Models that Work - Dennis Rogers communicated about significant issues related to having effective youth discipleship ministry at YMI 2000.

Emerging Technology in Youth Ministry - Jason Knippers considers recent tech developments that can assist youth ministers in administration, communication, and witnessing.

Legal Issues for Youth Ministry - Bayne Pounds, faculty member at NOBTS, provided important information at YMI 2000 about legal issues that are facing the church, including preventative measures to protect the church and minister.

Legal Issues for Youth Ministry II Dr. Pounds continued a discussion of legal issues for the church.

Multiple Intelligences @ ym.edu - Brad Klausman shows how implementing Garner's theory of learning can transform teachers and learners.

A New Discipleship Model - Hugh Kirby and Bob Dukes shared the R-CAPS model for discipleship that moves individuals from pre-Christian to mature leader, one of the great sessions at YMI 2001.

Non-traditional Programming - Mikel Dasch considers ministry approaches that may be new, depending on the context of the church and community

Programming: Target and Strategy - Kevin Layne deals with issues to consider in matching the content of youth ministry with the intended target groups.

Sixth Grader Dilemma: What to Do - Marsha Hayes investigates the developmental and practical dimensions of ministry to sixth graders.

Strategic Planning in Youth Ministry - Richard Ross lead the YMI 2000 participants though the process of strategic planning for youth minister. The introductory notes are included in full on the page.

Using Student Leaders - Dave Paxton gives an insiders view to the keys to using student leaders for effective ministry, a multimedia component of YMI 2001.

Youth Ministry Through the Local Schools - Shaun Ellis shares some legal issues and current strategies on how youth ministers can impact the local school.

Developing Youth Worship, Michael John Clement outlined a process for developing youth worship at YMI 2000.

Developing a Youth Drama Team, Ted and Nancie Lowe brought a humorous and helpful look at the process of using students to lead worship through drama at YMI 2001.

Leading Youth to Worship, Bart Millard, and Mike Scheuchzer of MercyMe dialogue about the process of leading worship and developing student worship leaders at YMI 2001.

Making Youth Worship Work in the Local Church, Allen Jackson facilitated a discussion of common concerns in the area of youth worship at YMI 2000.

Mentoring Youth - Christian Stubbs provides insights into the principles and practices of an organized mentoring program.

Speaking to Youth Audiences, Jim Shaddix, professor of Preaching at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, gave great insights into how to make Bible studies theologically and biblically sound when speaking to youth audiences.

Trends in Youth Worship, Michael John Clement, a popular worship leader, led a discussion on the trends in youth worship and the role of the youth minister in leading worship at YMI 2000.

Why I Still Believe in Youth Talks - at YMI 2001, Jim Shaddix rebuts the argument that youth talks are an ineffective way to communicate biblical truth.

Youth Praise and Traditional/Contemporary Worship - W. Scott Yancy outlines the characteristics and strengths of these two worship forms and provides insight into addressing common concerns.

Gender Issues in Youth Ministry - David Nalls explores the impact of gender on programming and leadership.

Window to Their Souls: Toward Resolving Parent/Youth Conflict Regarding Popular Music - a major paper by Jim Graham, doctoral student at NOBTS, that reviews parental concerns and research findings related to heavy metal and rap music and videos.

Youth Ministry Outside the Church - Darrell Lindsey reviews the role of parachurch organizations and avenues for ministering with and through them.

Crisis Counseling for Youth Ministers - Julia Williams identifies common issues encountered in counseling teenagers.

Developing Your Adult Leadership Team - Randy Johnson shared great ideas at YMI 2000 on how to give the ministry away, particularly to the adult leadership teams that work with you.

Interns - Clayton Carnall covers issues related to beginning an intern program.

Parent Ministry in Non-traditional Families - Trey McClain explores the issues that must be considered when reaching today's changing families.

Parent Ministries for Traditional Families - Melissa Casteel focuses on three key elements to successful ministry with parents.

Legal Issues for Youth Ministers - at YMI 2001, Mary Lynn Kirby provided important information about wills and other legal documents every minister needs.

Ministry and Your Marriage - Curt and Kim Grice are the youth ministry team at First Baptist Church of Arlington, Texas. They presented in two areas - ministry foundations, and ministry and marriage at YMI 2000.

Personal Ethics and Integrity - Sharla Raulerson considers the importance implications of maintaining a personal ethic in ministry.

Personal Fitness - Kevin Nettles addresses the importance of physical fitness for the minister as well as modeling healthy habits for the youth group

Tax Issues for Ministers - Not everyone has a mother-in-law who is a CPA, so how does a minister correctly handle tax issues? Mark Cole provides valuable answers.

Whole Person Integrity - Cameron Gober is a practical, biblical look at issues related to the most important character trait in ministry.