

COS 323 - CONGREGATIONAL CARE

COURSE DESCRIPTION *(Goals & Objectives)*

This course focuses on preaching the Gospel from the Old and New Testaments. Students will be able to:

1. Articulate a theology of proclamation.
 2. Exegete a variety of biblical passages for preaching.
 3. Evaluate sermons for biblical integrity, theological soundness, internal logic, and delivery, and appropriate insights gained from the evaluation of their own sermons.
 4. Develop plans for ordering and delivering sermons in their congregational and communal context.
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TEXTBOOKS

Books listed under **Texts** and **Reference** are required and must be incorporated within the syllabus. **Supplementary** is recommended but optional. You may choose other books you wish to work into your teaching plan.

REQUIRED TEXTS:

- Larry Webb: ***Crisis Counseling in the Congregation***
- Ed Wimberly: ***African American Pastoral Care and Counseling: Oppression and Empowerment***

SUPPLEMENTARY:

- Jeanne Hoeff, Shannon Jung, Joretta Marshall: ***Practicing Care in Rural Congregations and Communities***
- Howard Clinebell ***Basic Types of Pastoral Care and Counseling***

TEXTBOOK SELECTION FOR COURSE OF STUDY

Goal: Two basic texts (**required**) per class. Individual faculty may add another.

Reference books are **required** and are to help a student build their own library.

Assignments assure the use of the reference books; they are not classroom texts.

Supplemental texts are valuable, but **optional** texts if a student wants to pursue an area of ministry.