

THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN MINISTRY
PM 351A/RV COURSE SYLLABUS
FALL 2018

I. COURSE DESCRIPTION

A study of biblical foundations for roles of women in the church. The course is designed to aid both men and women who will be responsible for various areas of ministry. May also be credited in the Department of Educational Ministries. *3 hours.*

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES

A. Cognitive Objectives

That each student will be able to do the following in relation to gender:

1. Identify and evaluate the main arguments about women and gender in the church used by complementarians, egalitarians, and those falling on a spectrum within the two positions
2. Identify and evaluate associated organizations and publications
3. Evaluate the variety of interpretations of associated scriptural texts along with their strengths and weaknesses
4. Assess the ways in which tradition and cultural hermeneutics have affected and continue to affect discussions on the subject of gender in the church
5. Become familiar with gender-specific injustices committed since The Fall and related ministry opportunities

B. Behavioral Objectives

That each student will be able to do the following:

1. Fairly assess, discuss, and represent various authors' views relating to the subject
2. Demonstrate understanding of the issues by formulating a personal biblical philosophy of women's role in ministry consistent with biblical teaching
3. Articulate from a biblical perspective the nature of female-led Christian ministry
4. Apply biblical teaching about gender roles in ministry to a variety of contexts

C. Affective Objectives

That each student will be able to do the following:

1. Demonstrate appreciation for biblical truth by basing his or her ministry vision and goals on what the Bible says relating to gender

2. Demonstrate appreciation for the history of sex-specific roles in ministry by accurately representing the historical record
3. Demonstrate a valuing of unity through gracious, humble interaction with others when discussing this issue

III. COURSE TEXTBOOKS

A. Required texts

- Cohick, Lynn. *Women in the World of the Earliest Christians*. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Baker Academic, 2009. 350 pages.
- James, Carolyn Custis. *Half the Church: Recapturing God's Global Vision for Women*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2010. 208 pages.
- Piper, John, and Wayne Grudem, eds. *Recovering Biblical Manhood and Womanhood: A Response to Evangelical Feminism*. Wheaton: Crossway Books, 1991. 576 pages.
Available free via PDF download on the Desiring God Website.
- Pierce, Ronald W.; Groothuis, Rebecca Merrill; Fee, Gordon. *Discovering Biblical Equality*. Downer's Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2004. 512 pages.
- Saucy, Robert L. and Judith K. TenElshof, eds. *Women and Men in Ministry: A Complementary Perspective*. Chicago: Moody Press, 2001. 400 pages.
- Sayers, Dorothy L. *Are Women Human?* Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2005. From a speech given in 1938. 69 pages.
- Sumner, Sarah. *Men and Women in the Church: Building Consensus on Christian Leadership*. Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 2003. 288 pages.
- Webb, William. *Slaves, Women, and Homosexuals*. Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic, 2001. 301 pages.
- Westfall, Cynthia. *Paul and Gender: Reclaiming the Apostle's Vision for Men and Women in Christ*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2016. **Chapter 5 only.**
- Winston, George and Dora. *Recovering Biblical Ministry by Women*. Longwood, Florida: Xulon Press, 2003. 551 pages.
- Additional reading from various books, web links, journals, and magazines.
Students should verify links and print all online texts *prior to the second class*.

B. Supplementary Bibliography

See attached appendix.

IV. COURSE REQUIREMENTS

A. Reading Assignments

Read all required texts in the order listed.

B. Written Assignments

1. Draft and submit a minimum of two discussion questions after completing each reading. These are due by noon before class each week. They may be emailed (to sglahn@dts.edu) and require no cover sheet.

2. Write term paper on the student's philosophy of the role of women in ministry.

The student will develop a personal philosophy of women in ministry. The paper should incorporate the biblical texts and theological principles that support each point made. The goal is for the student to think biblically and theologically about the role of women in ministry and his or her present or future role in such ministry. One section should relate to positions the student holds in relation to women in ministry. It should include taking the spiritual gifts inventory at churchgrowth.org, and factoring in personal spiritual gifts. The paper should be no fewer than fourteen and no more than twenty pages double-spaced, using eleven-point Times Roman type. Length does not include the bibliography. Either footnotes or endnotes are acceptable. The student need not turn in the inventory, but will need to incorporate into paper the information gained from it. Further instructions provided on course web site.

C. Class Participation

V. COURSE POLICIES

A. Weight Given to Course Requirements for Grading

1.	Reading (completed according to the schedule)	55%
2.	Discussion questions	10%
3.	Philosophy of women in ministry paper	20%
4.	Class participation	15%

Extra credit will be given for attendance at the annual meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society held November 13–15, 2018, in Denver, Colorado. Go to etsjets.org for info. Discuss with professor before attending.

B. Class Participation

The class participation grade will include the student's accurate representations of various authors' viewpoints, respectful interaction with other students, thoughtful analysis of the data, and degree of involvement in class discussion.

A word about gender-inclusive language: All interactions and written submissions should strive to use gender-inclusive language. As a gospel-shaped, gospel-centered community of learning, [we have compelling reasons to think, write, and speak in such a way as to insure that none are either intentionally or inadvertently excluded by our use of language.](#) Consider using "humans," "persons," "humanity," or "humankind" rather than "man" or "men" when referring to human beings in general. Consider alternating between the use of "he" and "she" as generic pronouns or substituting the use of the plural ("they," "them," "their") when appropriate.

C. Late Assignments

Late assignments will merit the loss of a half-grade per day late unless the student *makes prior arrangements with the professor.*

D. Absences

Attendance will be factored according to the DTS Student Handbook. Tardiness of more than ten minutes will equal the loss of 1/3 of a class (three tardies = one absence). The student is responsible for knowing the number of absences allowed.

Presence is both physical and mental. Students are prohibited from using cell phones and handheld devices during class and using electronics for anything other than classwork, except during all-class breaks.

E. Letter/Numerical Grade Scale

A+ 99–100	B+ 91-93	C+ 83–85	D+ 75–77	F 0-69
A 96–98	B 88–90	C 80–82	D 72–74	
A- 94–95	B- 86–87	C- 78–79	D- 70–71	

VI. COURSE SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

DTS does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the operation of any of its programs and activities. To avoid being the object of unintentional discrimination, the student is responsible for informing the Coordinator of Services for Students with Disabilities and the course instructor of any disabling condition that will require modifications.

DTS wants you to be aware of the school’s emergency texting service. Students are strongly urged to sign up to receive emergency texts related to weather or disaster school closing.

VII. COURSE LECTURES AND ASSIGNMENT SCHEDULE

Date	In Class	Assignment Due
Aug 28	Review syllabus, intro	
Sept 4	Reading: Definitions, authority, hermeneutics, and Freud	Friedan, 5 https://www.marxists.org/reference/subject/philosophy/works/us/friedan.htm Piper, 1 and 18 Winston, 1–3 Webb, 1–5 Pierce, 15, 20, 21, 25
Sept 11	The Debate	Pearcey handout

		<p>Sayers – all Saucy, 3–4, 9–11, 13–14 Piper, 16, 17, 25 Pierce, 27 (skim) Explore CBE web site (www.cbeinternational.org) and CBMW web site (www.cbmw.org) Westfall, 5 Webb, pages 9–15 (answer questions on pp. 14–15, bring to class)</p>
Sept 18	<p>Women and Cultural Influences Discuss reading</p>	<p>Winstons, 4–11 Webb, 6–8 Payne handout Mitchem handout</p>
Sept 25	<p>Women and Jesus Discuss reading</p>	<p>Read Winstons, 13–16, 18, 20–21 Piper, 4 Saucy, 5 Pierce, 7 The Book of Luke (looking specifically at Jesus’s interaction w/ women) Bauckham handout (pp. 307–8)</p>
Oct 2	<p>Women and the Bible Discuss reading; Bock/Keener video</p>	<p>Piper, 5, 14 Cohick, Intro and 1–3</p>
Oct 9	<p>Women and History Guest: Barry Jones and IBC’s journey Discuss reading</p>	<p>Saucy, 8 Piper, 15 Cohick, 4–end Webb, Appendixes A–D Piper, pp. 155–156 Grant handout Listen to “We Talk Different” Episode #72</p>
Oct 16	<p>Women & History II Discuss reading, medieval women, DTS history re. women; Watch Iron-Jawed Angels</p>	<p>Pierce, 1–3 Selections from <i>Christian History</i> VII, no 1, issue 17 <i>Christian History</i> issue 30, p. 1–37 Christine de Pizan Margaret Fell Fox Handout from <i>In Our Own Voices</i> Larsen handout Saucy, 1 and 2 Williams handout</p>
Oct 23	<p>Women and the Church, at DTS</p>	<p>Sumner, all Piper, 3</p>

Oct 30	<p>Women and the Church: Head and Body</p> <p>Discuss reading, women and marriage/sexuality; the meaning of “head”</p>	<p>Saucy, 6, 7 Fee article, “Cultural Context for Ephesians 5:18–6:9” Piper, 6–7, 10 Pierce, 10, 11, 26 Piper, p. 493, note 6</p>
Nov 6	<p>Women and Ministry</p> <p>NT Ministry Ephesian Background</p>	<p>Glahn, two <i>Bib Sac</i> articles on Artemis Piper, 8–9 Pierce, 4, 5, 8–9, 12–14, 16–18 Saucy, 12</p>
	<p>Nov 12–16 Nov 19–23 NO CLASSES</p>	<p>Reading Week</p> <p>Thanksgiving Week</p> <p>Extra credit given for attending ETS (discuss with professor in advance)</p>
Nov 27	<p>Women and Theology</p> <p>Discuss reading</p>	<p>Pierce 19, 24, 29 and p. 490 Review Saucy 3, 4 The DTS statement “Women in the Church” Hoehner handout <i>Half the Church</i>, first half of book</p>
Dec 4	<p>Women and the Text</p> <p>Discuss reading</p>	<p><i>Half the Church</i>, second half of book Listen to “We Talk Different” episode #58 on #metoo [trigger warning]</p>
Dec 11	<p>Looking ahead</p> <p>Discuss research findings; critique</p>	<p>Term paper due, including individual spiritual gifts analysis for individual users: Philosophy of Role of Women in Ministry</p> <p><i>Graduating students’ work is due early, on the date announced by the Registrar’s office.</i></p>

Appendix: Bibliography

Role of Women

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