



# Raleigh

## Executive Training Institute

### COURSE PROSPECTUS: MIS0500 Introduction to Great Commission Studies

PROFESSOR: DR. CHUCK LAWLESS

#### OVERVIEW

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An introduction to biblical, theological, and practical aspects of the practice and fulfillment of the Great Commission with particular attention to evangelism and missions.

#### OBJECTIVES

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The learner who completes this course will:

1. demonstrate knowledge of the definition, theology, and history of missions and evangelism
2. articulate his/her personal spiritual journey in a way that communicates with non-believers in North American and cross-cultural settings
3. Illustrate knowledge of what constitutes a biblically healthy church committed to the Great Commission

#### CORE COMPETENCIES

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**Spiritual Formation:** Demonstrate the knowledge and skills necessary to pursue an authentically Christian way of life, manifested by trust in God, obedience to Christ's commands, and love of God and neighbor. [Course SLO #1, 2, 3]

**Biblical Exposition:** Demonstrate the ability to properly and effectively interpret, apply, and communicate the Scriptures. [Course SLO #1, 2, 3]

**Theological Integration:** Demonstrate the ability to understand and apply the doctrines of Christianity to life and ministry. [Course SLO #1, 2, 3]

**Ministry Preparation:** Demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and Christian disposition necessary for ministry and leadership in the church and the world. [Course SLO #1, 2, 3]

**Critical Thinking and Communication:** Demonstrate the ability to think critically, argue persuasively, and communicate clearly. [Course SLO #1, 2, 3]

## REQUIREMENTS

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### Weekly Meetings

Participants will meet with the professor from 5:45-7:00 pm on the following dates:

January 22	February 5	February 19
January 29	February 12	February 26

Meeting Location:

Crenshaw Consulting Engineering  
3516 Bush Street  
Raleigh, NC 27609

### Online Lectures

Participants will watch three 20-minute (approx.) online lectures per week. All lectures must be viewed in their entirety. The first three lectures (1.1., 1.2, 1.3) should be viewed **BEFORE** coming to the first class

### Reading Assignments

Pratt, Zane and David Sills. *Introduction to Global Missions*. Nashville, Tenn.: B&H Academic, 2014.

Reid, Alvin. *Evangelism Handbook: Biblical, Spiritual, Intentional, Missional*. Nashville, Tenn.: B&H Academic, 2009.

### Writing Assignments

1. Students will write a two page, double-spaced description of their personal spiritual journey, including the story of their conversion and any experiences in international missions. Due the second week of class.
2. Students will prepare a four page, double-spaced paper describing the most significant insights gained from the class lectures, reading, and interaction. Due one week following the last class meeting.

### Assessments

Students will complete three quizzes as indicated in the course schedule. Each quiz will cover two weeks of material. Quizzes will be available at class time of the indicated weeks.

## **Course Grading**

The student's grade will be based on the following percentages:

Class Participation and Video Viewing	10%
Personal Journey Paper	25%
Quizzes	30%
Reflection Paper	35%

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## Course Schedule

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>LECTURES</b>	<b>READING</b>
<b>Week #1 (January 22):</b> Defining “Evangelism” and “Missions”	1.1, 1.2, 1.3	Reid, pp. 15-31 Pratt, pp. 2-14
<b>Week #2 (January 29):</b> Theology of Evangelism and Missions	2.1, 2.2, 2.3	Reid, pp. 128-147 Pratt, pp. 37-92  Quiz #1 over weeks 1-2
<b>Week #3 (February 5):</b> History of Evangelism and Missions	3.1, 3.2, 3.3	Reid, pp. 59-127 Pratt, pp. 95-134
<b>Week #4 (February 12):</b> Personal Evangelism	4.1, 4.2, 4.3	Reid, pp. 182-196; 247-285  Quiz over weeks 3-4
<b>Week #5 (February 19):</b> Personal Involvement in Missions	5.1, 5.2, 5.3	Reid, pp. 374-410 Pratt, 137-156; 219-236
<b>Week #6 (February 26):</b> Biblical Churches Concluding Issues	6.1, 6.2, 6.3	Pratt, pp. 185-207; 237-272  Quiz #3 over weeks 5-6