

## WM 5540 APPLIED BIBLICAL CONTEXTUALIZATION SYLLABUS

### I. COURSE DESCRIPTION

A study of how to understand and apply the Bible faithfully and effectively in a cross-cultural setting. Attention is given to the Bible's teaching about culture and hermeneutics, especially language, revelation, truth, scriptural authority, application, and contextualization. Each student will develop a biblically controlled strategy of contextualization.

### II. COURSE OBJECTIVES AND RATIONALE

#### A. Cognitive Objectives:

- Understand biblical illustrations of potential models for contextualization.
- Be aware of contextualization historical development and recognized patterns.
- Capable to include globalization factors within a contextualization model.
- Perceive hermeneutical and methodological issues and practices involved in developing local theologies.

#### B. Behavioral Objectives:

- Offer a succinct contextualization definition.
- Interact with biblical and theological contextualization methodologies.
- Assess relevant cultural elements within a setting.
- Articulate an adopted approach for contextualization practices.
- Develop a contextualization strategy on particular cultural elements.

#### C. Affective Objectives:

- Value biblical applications and theological developments for specific contexts.
- Appreciate the tension between gospel and cultures.
- Recognize the importance of contextualization's role within the global church.

#### D. Rationale:

A great challenge for anyone interested in missions and intercultural ministries has to do with how to communicate biblical truths within varied cultures. Scripture itself has a number of illustrations where biblical truths were communicated in particular ways to offer recipients the greatest opportunity to accept and apply them. In addition, contextualization has developed practices and patterns over the years which likewise may contribute to one's contextualization of God's truth within cultures. This course will help students look at biblical and historical factors related to contextualization in an effort to help them reflect upon and develop a biblical and theological contextualization practice as applied for a selected cultural setting.

### III. COURSE TEXTBOOKS

#### A. Required:

Flemming, Dean E. *Contextualization in the New Testament: Patterns for Theology and Mission*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2005.

Moreau, A. Scott. *Contextualization in World Missions: Mapping and Assessing Evangelical Models*. Grand Rapids: Kregel, 2012.

Nicholls, Bruce J. *Contextualization: A Theology of Gospel and Culture*. Vancouver: Regent College Publishing, 1979.

Ott, Craig, and Harold A. Netland, eds. *Globalizing Theology: Belief and Practice in an Era of World Christianity*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2006.

#### B. Suggested:

Cook, Matthew, Rob Haskell, Ruth Julian, and Natee. Tanchanpongs, eds. *Local Theology for the Global Church: Principles for an Evangelical Approach to Contextualization*. Pasadena: World Evangelical Alliance Theological Commission, 2010.

Dowsett, Rose. *Global Mission: Reflections and Case Studies in Contextualization for the Whole Church*. Pasadena: William Carey Library, 2011.

Dyrness, William A. *Learning About Theology from the Third World*. Grand Rapids: Academic, 1990.

Georges, Jayson. *The 3d Gospel: Ministry in Guilt, Shame, and Fear Cultures*. Time, 2014.

Greenman, Jeffrey P. and Gene L. Green, eds. *Global Theology in Evangelical Perspective: Exploring the Contextual Nature of Theology and Mission*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2012.

Hesselgrave, David J. and Edward Rommen. *Contextualization: Meanings, Methods, and Models*. Pasadena: William Carey Library, 2000.

Hiebert, Paul G. *The Gospel in Human Contexts: Anthropological Explorations for Contemporary Missions*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2009.

Kraft, Charles H., and Dean S. Gilliland, eds. *Appropriate Christianity*. Pasadena: William Carey Library, 2005.

Mischke, Werner. *The Global Gospel*. Scottsdale: Mission One, 2015.

Tennent, Timothy C. *Theology in the Context of World Christianity: How the Global Church is Influencing the Way We Think About and Discuss Theology*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2007.

Van Rheenen, Gailyn. *Contextualization and Syncretism: Navigating Cultural Currents*. Pasadena: William Carey Library, 2006.

Wu, Jackson. *One Gospel for All Nations: A Practical Approach to Biblical Contextualization*. Pasadena: William Carey Library, 2015.

### C. Supplementary Bibliography:

- Adeney, Miriam. *Kingdom Without Borders: The Untold Story of Global Christianity*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2009.
- Bevans, Stephen B. and Katalina. Tahaafe-Williams, eds. *Contextual Theology for the Twenty-First Century* Cambridge: James Clarke, 2012.
- Branson, Mark and Juan F. Martinez. *Churches, Cultures and Leadership: A Practical Theology of Congregations and Ethnicities*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2011.
- Dawson, Mike and Ruben Pintor. *Growing Up Yanomao: Missionary Adventures in the Amazon Rainforest*. Larkspur, Co.: Grace Acres, 2009.
- Dockery, David S. *The Challenge of Postmodernism: An Evangelical Engagement*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2001.
- Dyrness, William A. and Oscar García-Johnson. *Theology Without Borders: An Introduction to Global Conversations*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2015.
- Elmer, Duane. *Cross-Cultural Servanthood: Serving the World in Christlike Humility*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2006.
- Fernando, Ajith. *Discipling in a Multicultural World*. Wheaton: Crossway, 2019.
- Gitau, Wanjiru M. *Megachurch Christianity Reconsidered : Millennials and Social Change in African Perspective*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2018.
- Grunlan, Stephen A. and Marvin Keene Mayers, eds. *Cultural Anthropology: A Christian Perspective* Grand Rapids: Academie, 1988.
- Hiebert, Paul G. *Anthropological Insights for Missionaries*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1985.
- Hiebert, Paul G. *Anthropological Reflections on Missiological Issues*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1994.
- Jenkins, Philip. *The New Faces of Christianity: Believing the Bible in the Global South*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006.
- Kling, Fritz. *The Meeting of the Waters: 7 Global Currents That Will Propel the Future Church*. Colorado Springs: David C. Cook, 2010.
- Kraft, Charles H. *Christianity in Culture: A Study in Dynamic Biblical Theologizing in Cross-Cultural Perspective*. Maryknoll: Orbis, 1979.
- Lee, Haemin. *International Development and Public Religion: Changing Dynamics of Christian Mission in South Korea*. Eugene: Pickwick, 2016.
- Lee, Sang Yun. *A Theology of Hope: Contextual Perspectives in Korean Pentecostalism (Apts Press Monograph Series) (Volume 4)*. Asia Pacific Theological Seminary Press, 2018.
- Lewis, C. S. *Miracles: A Preliminary Study*. San Francisco: Harper, 2001.
- McConnell, Douglas. *Cultural Insights for Christian Leaders: New Directions for Organizations Serving God's Mission*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2018.
- Meyer, Erin. *The Culture Map: Breaking Through the Invisible Boundaries of Global Business*. New York: PublicAffairs, 2014.

- Moreau, A. Scott. *Contextualization in World Missions: Mapping and Assessing Evangelical Models*. Grand Rapids: Kregel, 2012.
- Moreau, A. Scott. *Effective Intercultural Communication: A Christian Perspective*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2014.
- Moreau, A. Scott. *Contextualizing the Faith: A Holistic Approach*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2018.
- Myers, Bryant L. *Engaging Globalization: The Poor, Christian Mission, and Our Hyperconnected World*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2017.
- Netland, Harold A. *Christianity & Religious Diversity: Clarifying Christian Commitments in a Globalizing Age*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2015.
- Newell, Marvin J. *Crossing Cultures in Scripture: Biblical Principles for Mission Practice*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2016.
- Noll, Mark A. *The New Shape of World Christianity: How American Experience Reflects Global Faith*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2009.
- Ott, Craig. *The Church on Mission: A Biblical Vision for Transformation Among All People*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2019.
- Phillips, Timothy R. and Dennis L. Okholm, eds. *Christian Apologetics in the Postmodern World*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 1995.
- Rapaille, Clotaire. *The Culture Code: An Ingenious Way to Understand Why People Around the World Buy and Live as They Do*. New York: Broadway, 2006.
- Rapaille, Clotaire. *The Global Code: How a New Culture of Universal Values is Reshaping Business and Marketing*. New York: St. Martin's, 2015.
- Schreiter, Robert J. *Constructing Local Theologies*. Maryknoll: Orbis, 2015.
- Sire, James W. *The Universe Next Door: A Basic Worldview Catalog*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2009.
- Stackhouse, Max L. *Apologia: Contextualization, Globalization, and Mission in Theological Education*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1988.
- Stiller, Brian, Todd M. Johnson, Karen Stiller, and Mark Hutchinson. *Evangelicals Around the World: A Global Handbook for the 21st Century*. Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 2015.
- Taylor, William D., ed. *Global Missiology for the 21st Century : The Iguassu Dialogue*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2000.
- Taylor, William D., Antonia Van der Meer, and Reg Reimer, eds. *Sorrow and Blood: Christian Mission in Contexts of Suffering, Persecution, and Martyrdom*. Pasadena: William Carey Library, 2012.
- Tennent, Timothy C. *Invitation to World Missions: A Trinitarian Missiology for the Twenty-First Century*. Grand Rapids: Kregel, 2010.
- Tillich, Paul. *Theology of Culture*. London: Oxford University Press, 1959.
- Van Engen, Charles. *Transforming Mission Theology*. Pasadena: William Carey Library, 2017.
- Vanhoozer, Kevin J., Charles A. Anderson, and Michael J. Sleasman, eds. *Everyday Theology: How to Read Cultural Texts and Interpret Trends*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2007.
- Vrudny, Kimberly J. and Wilson. Yates, eds. *Arts, Theology, and the Church: New Intersections*. Cleveland: Pilgrim, 2005.
- Ward, Graham. *Christ and Culture*. Malden, MA: Blackwell, 2005.
- Wrogemann, Henning. *Intercultural Hermeneutics: Intercultural Theology*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2016.
- Yeh, Allen L. *Polycentric Missiology: Twenty First Century Mission From Everyone to Everywhere*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2016.

#### IV. COURSE REQUIREMENTS

##### A. Reading and Class Participation (25%)

Reading will be assigned for every class period and class sessions may include discussion of the assigned reading, but not always. Some of the reading will indicate “Overview” which essentially means you should briefly skim the material and have a general sense of its content. If the reading assigned for a certain week is not from a required text, then you should look in Canvas under “Readings.” Late readings will incur a penalty from the reading grade of two points for every late reading over two and four points for each incomplete reading. Completion of every assignment by the end of the semester is important. The professor expects each student to make meaningful contributions to in-class interactions. The reading report at the end of this syllabus is to be submitted on **December 9**.

##### B. Term Paper (30%)

Students will write a term paper on “My Approach to Contextualization,” summarizing their hermeneutic, methodology, and guidelines for the practice of contextualization. This must include a definition of “contextualization.” The paper will enable each student to reflect and summarize their individual framework for actually *doing* contextual theology. Biblical models, historical examples, globalization factors, course readings, and class discussion will assist in preparing this term paper. The paper should be 2000-2500 words (excluding notes and bibliography) and should be written in academic style. Grading will be based on comprehensiveness, depth of engagement with significant issues, and practicality of application. Students are encouraged to work in groups of no more than three (3) on this project. If a group is formed, the students within the group will need to inform the professor the role each student will serve. The same group may work together on the final term project. The paper is due **November 4**.

##### C. Term Project (45%)

Each student will prepare and present a contextual theology on one aspect of Christian thought or action for a culture context not the student’s own. The paper should be at least 2500 words and include: 1) a clear statement of the issue and cultural context factoring local and global elements; 2) an explanation of the need relevance to have contextual theology on a topic; 3) biblical and historical models adopted and support for their use; and, 4) theological and practical conclusions. The topic of the paper should be chosen and submitted for approval by **October 14**. Students will present their projects towards the end of the semester. Students may use any tools to aid in their presentations. The presentations ought to stimulate interaction with your colleagues and the professor to receive input on ways to improve your final submission. A summary sheet should be prepared for the class. The submitted written paper is due on **December 9**. This may be a group project as mentioned within the prior assignment.

Topics prepared in the past have included:

The Contextualization of Jesus' Pattern of Servant-Leadership in Luke 22:24- 27 in the Korean Church

The Meaning of "Being Born Again" in John 3:3 Contextualized for the Hindu

The Mexican Male as Father

Turkish Proverbs as a Tool for Introducing Biblical Truth

Reconciliation" in Rwanda

Contextualizing the Gospel for Radical Terrorists Being "Born Again" in a Buddhist Context

Critical Issues in Translation of the Names of God in Asian Contexts

A Muslim Woman's Identity: Studies in John's Gospel

The Gospel and Identity in a Folk Islamic Context

The Muslim Concept of the Right Hand as a Way to Elevate the Person of Jesus Christ as the One Who is at the Right Hand of the Throne of God

Contextualizing the Divine-Human Nature of Christ Among the Ethiopian Orthodox

Contextualizing Worship Among Muslim Converts in Ethiopia

Teaching and Applying the Christology of Hebrews for an African Cultural Context

Orality and Bible Storying: How Effective in Communicating the Gospel in Pre-literate Contexts?

This assignment can qualify as an Agape Project if the focus is on an accessible group within the local area with which the student can spend time (15 hours) building relationships and doing research. If this option is selected, the student would not be able to do a group project. The class project written paper will include five pages reporting on the experience in fulfillment of Agape Project requirements. (See Agape Project documents)

## **V. COURSE SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

Students with Disabilities or Medical Incidents:

Dallas Theological Seminary works to provide reasonable and appropriate accommodations to students with psychological, medical, physical, and learning disabilities. A student desiring or needing accommodations on the basis of such

disabilities or of medical incidents such as hospitalization or severe injury is to contact the Director of Services for Students with Disabilities (<https://students.dts.edu/studentlife/disability-services/>). If the student is aware of a condition that may impact his/her studies, the student should contact the Director of Services for Students with Disabilities at prior to the beginning of the semester or at the onset of a crisis.

## VI. COURSE POLICIES

### A. 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	

### B. Weighing of Course Requirements for Grading

Reading and Class Participation: 25%

Term Paper: 30%

Term Project: 45%

### C. Late Assignments

Daily reading may be completed late but all reading must be completed by Friday, Dec 17. The Term Paper will be accepted late with the deduction of 2 numerical points for each day late. No paper will be accepted after the last day of Exam Week, December 17, at 12 noon. Refer to the *DTS Student Handbook* (1.20) for policies related to late assignments and extensions.

### D. Absences and Attendance

Because of the discussion nature of this class, it is important for students to be in attendance on time and for all class periods. No course credit will be given for students missing the equivalent of more than two full days of class except under extreme emergency. (See *Student Handbook* 1.14.3).

**Please also be aware the course will not meet in person following the Thanksgiving break. The remainder of the semester will continue by remote video for all students. The Lifesize link will be communicated on the course Canvas page.**

### E. Assignment Submission Procedures

Students must submit all papers and reports via canvas.

### F. Plagiarism

“Plagiarism occurs in research whenever a writer appropriates material that falls outside the sphere of common knowledge and is from any source not his own without indicating his or her indebtedness to that source. The theft may have to do with substance (i.e., ideas or information taken from a source without acknowledgment in the form of proper documentation), or it may have to do with

verbal expression (i.e., wording or phraseology taken from a source without acknowledgment in the form of proper documentation and quotation marks around the quoted material)... In either of these forms, plagiarism constitutes a serious academic and ethical impropriety. For this reason any work submitted that gives clear evidence of plagiarism, whether committed deliberately or naively, will receive a grade of zero.” *DTS Student Handbook*(1.17.1).

**VII. COURSE LECTURE AND ASSIGNMENT SCHEDULE**

No.	Date	Lecture Topic	Assignments
1	8/26	Introduction to the Course and General Contextualization Considerations	Ott reading pp 9-34;  Ortiz, <i>Missiology: A Contextualization Framework</i>  Benno van den Toren, “Can We See the Naked Theological Truth,” Chapter 6 in <i>Local Theology for the Global Church</i>  Overview: Timothy Tennent, <i>Invitation to World Missions</i> , Chapter 11
2	9/2	Scripture, Truth, the Gospel and Cultures  Cultural Assessment	Nicholls, <i>Contextualization: A Theology of Gospel and Culture</i> Ch 1-2  Nicholls, <i>Contextualization: A Theology of Gospel and Culture</i> Ch 3-4  Steve Strauss, “The Role of Context in Shaping Theology,” in <i>Contextualization and Syncretism</i> , pp 99-128.  Overview: Andrew Walls, “The Gospel as Prisoner and Liberator of Culture,” pp. 3-15 in <i>The Missionary Movement in Christian History</i> .



3	9/9	Historical Development and Patterns of Contextualization	<p>Charles Kraft, "The Development of Contextualization Theory in Euroamerican Missiology," <i>Appropriate Christianity</i>, pp. 24-29.</p> <p>Wilbert Shenk, "The Missionary Encounter with Culture since the Seventeenth Century," pp. 35-48 in Kraft, <i>Appropriate Christianity</i>.</p> <p>Paul Hiebert, "Critical Contextualization," chapter 7.</p> <p>Overview: Bloomberg in Cook, Haskell, Julian, Tanchanpongs, <i>Local Theology for the Global Church (LTGC)</i>, "We Contextualize More Than We Realize," Chap. 3</p>
4	9/16	Historical Development and Patterns of Contextualization	<p>Scott Moreau, <i>Contextualization in World Missions</i>, pp. 17-48.</p> <p>Scott Moreau, <i>Contextualization in World Missions</i>, pp. 49-101.</p> <p>Scott Moreau, <i>Contextualization in World Missions</i>, pp. 103-172</p>
5	9/23	Biblical Models of Contextualization	<p>John Davies, "Biblical Precedence for Contextualization," <i>Evangelical Review of Theology</i> 21 (1997), pp. 197-214</p> <p>Arthur Glasser, "Old Testament Contextualization: Revelation and Its Environment" in <i>The Word Among Us</i>, pp. 32-51</p> <p>Robert Chisholm, "The Polemic Against Ballism in Israel's Early History and Literature in <i>Bibliotheca Sacra</i>, July-Sept. 1994, pp. 267-283</p>

6	9/30	Biblical Models of Contextualization	<p>Dean Flemming, Contextualization in the New Testament: Patterns for Theology and Mission, Introduction, pp. 13-23 and Chapters 1-2, 3-5</p> <p>David Strong &amp; Cynthia Strong, "The Globalizing Hermeneutic of the Jerusalem Council," in Ott and Netland, Globalizing Theology, pp 127-139</p> <p>Overview: Dean Flemming, Contextualization in the New Testament: Patterns for Theology and Mission, Chapters 8 &amp; 10</p>
7	10/7	Introduction to Global Theologizing within Polycentric Missions	<p>Sergura-Guzman, "The Practice of Theology," in Local Theology for the Global Church, Chapter 8</p> <p>Tite Tienou, "Christian Theology in an Era of World Christianity," in Globalizing Theology, pp. 37-51</p> <p>Craig Ott, "Conclusion: Globalizing Theology," in Globalizing Theology, pp 309- 336.</p> <p>Overview: Timothy Tennant, pp 1-19 in Chapter 1, Theology in the Context of World Christianity</p>
8	10/14	Global Theologizing within Polycentric Missions	<p>Charles Van Engen, "The Glocal Church," in Globalizing Theology, pp. 157-179</p> <p>Vinoth Ramachandra, "Globalization, Nationalism, and Religious Resurgence," in Globalizing Theology, pp. 213-230</p> <p>James Plueddemann, "Theological Implications of Globalizing Missions," in Globalizing Theology, pp. 250-266</p> <p>Ruth Julian, "Ground Level Contextualization," Chapter 4 in Local Theology for the Global</p>

			<p>Church.</p> <p>Overview: Nadine Woods, "Can Chopsticks Ever Become Roof-beams?" chapter 18 in Global Mission: Reflections and Case Studies in Contextualization for the Whole Church</p> <p><b>Due: Term Project Approval</b></p>
9	10/21	Method Case Study: "The Missionaries"	<p>Read the Sept-Oct., 2014 issue Mission Frontiers on Ethnodoxology on line at <a href="http://www.missionfrontiers.org">www.missionfrontiers.org</a> As you read, record 3-5 new insights and 2-3 questions.</p> <p>Del and Palmer Chinchén, "Sing Africa!" Evangelical Missions Quarterly, 38 (July 2002): 286-298</p> <p>W. Jay Moon, "Sweet Talk in Africa," Evangelical Missions Quarterly 40 (April 2004): 162-169 (include "Resources for Beginning"). OR Ivan Jordan and Frank Tucker, Using Indigenous Art to Communicate the Christian Message," Evangelical Missions Quarterly 38 (July 2002): 302-309</p>
10	10/28	Hermeneutics, Form & Meaning Ethnohermeneutics	<p>Netland, ch 8</p> <p>Paul Hiebert, "Form and Meaning in the Contextualization of the Gospel," in The Word Among Us, 101-120</p> <p>Overview: Harvie Conn, "Theology and Theologizing: A New Course," pp. 224-260 in Eternal Word and Changing World.</p> <p>Overview: Netland, ch. 5</p>

11	11/4	Ethnodoxology Contextualization is Everywhere: Guest Lecturer: Dr. Robin Harris, DIU	David Tai Woong Lee, "A Korean Christian Memorial Service" in 121-127, Chapter 14 in Global Mission: Reflections and Case Studies in Contextualization for the Whole Church  Ruth Julian, "Towards a Contextual Theology of the Holy Spirit," 115-119, chapter 13 in Global Mission: Reflections and Case Studies in Contextualization for the Whole Church  <b>Due: Term Paper</b>
12	11/11	Contextualization in Islamic Contexts  Guest Lecturer: Dr. John Bitar Contextualizing Expressions of God's Truth	"Shame/Honor Cultures" and "Followers of Jesus in Islamic Mosques" Chapters 4, 8 in Timothy Tennent, Theology in the Context of World Christianity  Scott Horrell, "Translating 'Son of God' for Muslim Context" in Parts 1 and 2, Bib Sac July-September and October-December, 2015
	11/18 11/25	READING WEEK  THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY	No Class
13	12/2 <b>Class meets online</b>	Project Presentations	<b>Due: Projects</b>
14	12/9 <b>Class meets online</b>	Project Presentations	<b>Due: Reading Report Projects</b>



## WM5540 Reading Report

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ File #: \_\_\_\_\_

How many 150 minute class sessions did you miss? \_\_\_\_\_

How many times were you late or missed portions of a class? \_\_\_\_\_

Date	Assignment	On-time	Late
8/26	Ott reading pp 9-34; Moreau, Contextualizing the Faith, vii-10		
	Benno van den Tooren, "Can We See the Naked Theological Truth," Chapter 6 in Local Theology for the Global Church		
	Ortiz, <i>Missiology: A Contextualization Framework</i>		
	Overview: Timothy Tennent, Invitation to World Missions, Chapter 11		
9/2	Nicholls, Contextualization: A Theology of Gospel and Culture Ch 1-2		
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	Steve Strauss, "The Role of Context in Shaping Theology," in Contextualization and Syncretism, pp 99-128.		
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	Del and Palmer Chinchin, "Sing Africa!" <i>Evangelical Missions Quarterly</i> , 38 (July 2002): 286-298		

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