

# MSSN 546 Mission in Cultural & Religious Context

Spring 2020

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### SYNOPSIS OF THE COURSE

## **CLASS & CONTACT INFORMATION**

Class Location: NAD Headquarters, Columbia, Maryland

Class Meeting Times: March 8-12, 2020

Sunday: 6:00-8:00pm

Monday - Thursday: 8:00-12:30; 1:30-6:00

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### BULLETIN DESCRIPTION OF COURSE

-cultural communication skills for Christian witness.

Required of all MDiv students.

## COURSE OVERVIEW

Topical outline with chapters in *Introduction to Adventist Mission* (IAM) upon which classroom discussion is based and dates of classroom discussion.

Theology of Mission	History of Mission	Culture and Mission	Strategy for Mission
IAM 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	IAM 7, 8	IAM 9, 10, 11	IAM 12, 13, 14, 18
Sunday	Monday-Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday

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### **COURSE ASSIGNMENTS**

#### I. PRE-INTENSIVE ASSIGNMENTS: Due March 8

- 1. Read required chapters in Doss, *Introduction to Adventist Mission*, in preparation for class discussions. (Chapters 1-5, 7-11, 12-14, 18.)
- 2. Submit interactions with Elmer, *Cross Cultural Servanthood*, chapters 1 to 14. Chapter interactions will be submitted as follows:
  - Summarize the <u>main concepts</u> in the chapter. This is not an exhaustive summary but a summary of the main message of the chapter.
  - Make <u>practical applications</u> of the concepts in the chapter to contemporary mission and ministry.
  - Approximate length of each interaction for each chapter: 200-300 words, depending on length of chapter.

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### 2. Sermon: Due April 26.

- A sermon will be submitted that specifically draws on the materials of the course.
- The typical church member should learn something new and important about Adventist world mission in this century from the sermon.
- The sermon will be submitted as a complete manuscript, although the actual

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Thursday	8:00-12:30 p.m.	4.5 hours
	1:30-6:00 p.m.	4.5 hours
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Pre/Post-session	Interactions with	7 hours
	professor	7

Total 45 hours

## ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR

Gorden R. Doss was born into a missionary family. His maternal grandparents served in Trinidad when his mother was a teen. He went to Malawi with his parents when he was three years old. Since then he has

- O Correctly designed and inserted footnotes each time one makes use of another individual's research and/or ideas; and
- O Quotation marks placed around any exact phrases or sentences (3 or more words) taken from the text or speech of another individual.

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