# SYLLABUS FOR NI-POLITY ABCUSA Polity

### **INSTRUCTORS:**

Dr. Steven Van Ostran

Course Description – This is the ABC History & Polity course.

**Required Texts** – Goodwin, E. Down by the Riverside: A Brief History of Baptist Faith. (2002). 978-0817014001 Shurden,

W. The Baptist Identity: Four Fragile Freedoms. (1993). 978-1880837207

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#### **Instructional Practices:**

This is a class offered in an online format.

Online experiences may include:

- 1. Online forums of lectures and readings
- 2. Quizzes & Tests
- 3. Online submission of Papers in the \*.doc or \*.docx file format

#### **Attendance Policy**

This is a short-term intensive course. You are required to participate in all class assignments and/or sessions. Your attendance and punctuality will affect your grade in a positive or negative manner.

#### Statement on Learning and Physical Disabilities

Northwind Institute accepts students with learning and physical disabilities and provides reasonable accommodation to help them be successful.

#### Learning Objectives

This is an introduction course that provides an overview and survey of the topic.

#### **Grading Policy**

Submission of materials does not guarantee a passing grade.

Papers are graded on the following:

- Use of Texts and Lecture
- Use of Course Materials
- Proper citation and footnotes using APA Style

Grade points are applied as follows:

PASS/FAIL

#### Academic Misconduct Policy

Northwind Institute does not condone academic dishonesty in any form. When an act of academic dishonesty has occurred:

- 1. The instructor has the right to not accept the assignment or test in question and record a "zero" for the assignment or test, and/or require the student to redo the assignment (or test), or require the student to complete a substitute assignment or test.
- 2. The student may be dropped from the class and assigned a failing grade (F). A written recommendation from the instructor is required.
- 3. In cases of extreme or repeated incidents (two or more) of academic dishonesty, the student may be suspended from the Institute.

The Academic Dean will notify the student as to the action taken. If the student believes there has been an erroneous accusation made, the student may appeal the action. The student must file a written appeal within 10 working days of notification. The President reviews all written appeals and his decision if final. The Student, Academic Dean and Instructor are informed via email of the action taken.

# **Course Outline**

**Topic One -** Down by the Riverside Rev. Dr. Steven Van Ostran

Lecture 1: Lecture 2: Lecture 3: Lecture 4: Lecture 5: **Reflection Paper on Lectures –2-3 pages Reflection Paper on Text 1 –2-3 pages** 

**Topic Two – Baptist Identity** Rev. Dr. Steven Van Ostran

Lecture 1: Lecture 2: Lecture 3: Lecture 4: Lecture 5: **Reflection Paper on Lectures –2-3 pages Reflection Paper on Text 2 –2-3 pages** 

**Final Paper** – Submit a 5-10 page paper, double-spaced, on your understanding of ABC History and Polity.