



Welcome, New PhD Students!

Congratulations to the following students who were accepted into the PhD program for Fall 2021:

- Matthew Beard (OT)
- Jonathan Celoria (NT)
- Jacob Crawford (CE)
- Christopher Cummins (CE)
- Justin Edgerly (apologetics)
- Richard Evans (NT)
- Fredessa Figueroa (counselor ed. & supervision)
- Conner Hinton (theology)
- Ja Ing (biblical interpretation)
- Zach Mabry (apologetics)
- Jason Palmer (Christian leadership)
- Kyle Pieri (Christian leadership)
- Alana Robinette (CE)
- Ryan Scantling (evangelism)
- David Scott (biblical exposition)
- Jessica Stovall (counselor ed. & supervision)
- Robert Thompson (theology)
- Justin Watson (NT)
- Andrew Wilson (biblical exposition)

Let's encourage these new colleagues as they enter the PhD marathon!



Problems or concerns? Contact the ReDOC Office **first**. We are here to help! (No question too small.) (504) 816-8010 phd@nobts.edu or redocsec@nobts.edu



Summer & Fall 2021 Registration

Online registration for summer and fall 2021 courses will open at 8 AM Central Time on Monday, April 19 and close at 4 PM Central Time on Monday, May 3.

Only students taking a course need to register online. The ReDOC office will register students for Program Proficiency, Dissertation Writing, Program Continuance, ReDOC-approved Inactive Status, and Directed Studies.

Students in Christian education who want to take the fourth colloquium in the area of their dissertation research should e-mail their requests to phd@nobts.edu for registration.

If you have a HOLD on your account, work now with the office that placed it. Your balance must be \$0 to be cleared for registration. Students not registered by the close of registration on May 3 will be charged a \$220 late registration fee.

Tuition for summer classes is due the working day before the class begins. Fall 2021 tuition is due by Friday, August 13.

The schedule is available [online](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- ◆ **April 15:** Deadline to order Graduation Regalia
- ◆ **April 19-May 3:** Registration for summer and fall 2021
- ◆ **April 21:** Society for Women in Scholarship meeting
- ◆ **April 30:** Deadline to apply for financial aid for fall 2021
- ◆ **May 13:** President's Graduation Reception
- ◆ **May 14:** Doctoral Graduation



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PROGRAM DATES AND DEADLINES

- ◆ **April 30:** Dissertation final version due to ReDOC office
- ◆ **May 5:** Fall directed study proposal deadline
- ◆ **May 14:** Research proposals and approval forms due to ReDOC office for June Prospectus Development

Presentations

Tommy Doughty, “To Infinity & Beyond: Potential Suffering in Material Creation,” Southwest Regional Meeting of ETS, April 24, 2021.



Prospectus Approvals

Stephanie Cline, (CE) “An Examination of the Relationship between Parental Spiritual Maturity and the Amount of Parent-Child Engagement that Occurs in Prayer, Worship, and Bible Reading in the Home ”

Robby Ridgeway (GCS), “A Critical Analysis of Michael Gott’s Evangelistic Methodology Used in Ukraine”

Jessie Charpentier (biblical exposition), “A Critical Examination of D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones’ Objection to the Public Invitation”

ReDOC Schedule for 2020-2021

The following are the ReDOC meetings for 2020–2021:

- April 7 (3/8 IRB)**
- May 12 (4/12 IRB;** fall directed studies)
- June 2 (5/3 IRB)**

An IRB request and a pdf of a prospectus for research using human subjects must be **submitted to the guidance committee chair**, who must forward them to redocsec@nobts.edu, indicating permission to proceed, no later than one month prior to the meeting at which the prospectus will be considered. See the [Program Materials page](#) for the form and details.

A prospectus to be considered by ReDOC must be reviewed by your guidance committee

and **7 copies** (double-sided printing is allowed) submitted through your chairperson to the Office of Research Doctoral Programs no later than one week before the scheduled ReDOC meeting. Prospectuses for research involving human subjects must be received one month before the meeting.

Likewise, matters such as directed study proposals and requests to take courses at other institutions must be submitted one week before the ReDOC meeting at which they will be considered. Also e-mail a **pdf** of the prospectus or directed study proposal to phd@nobts.edu. Do submit a hard copy of the directed study approval page.

If your research involves human subjects, you must go

through the Institutional Review Board approval process. Your guidance committee cannot approve your prospectus until (1) the IRB assesses the risk to and protection of the participants; (2) you submit your revised prospectus, consent form, and IRB request; and (3) the IRB approves your treatment of human subjects as reflected in these documents. You cannot contact study participants before approval of both the IRB and your guidance committee. IRB approval is valid for two years.

The maximum length for the prospectus is 30 pages of text plus the selected bibliography. Documents with text longer than 30 pages will not be accepted.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED OR CHANGED YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER, PLEASE NOTIFY THE REDOC OFFICE AND UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION IN SELF-SERVE.



NOTE: If you think your guidance committee approved your prospectus but you have not seen it in the *ReDOC News*, contact the ReDOC office. **You cannot contact human subjects before approval.**

Congratulations to the 2021-2022 Magee Scholars!

Congratulations to Sara Robinson (Christian leadership) and Shan Taylor (biblical exposition) for being named the recipients of the Robert S. Magee Doctoral Scholar awards for the 2021-2022 academic year.

This award in honor of Dr. Robert S. Magee, an NOBTS graduate who pastored churches in MS and LA and was chair of the NOBTS Board of Trustees from 1975 to 1983, is granted primarily on the basis of academic excellence and scholarly potential. The Associate Dean of Research Doctoral Programs, chairs of the academic divisions, Dean of Graduate Studies, and Provost are involved in determining recipients.



The NOBTS Society for Women in Scholarship is an academic society for all NOBTS Doctoral and Graduate women. As part of the Prepare Her initiative for women at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, the NOBTS Society for Women in Scholarship seeks to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ by developing academic gifts, strengthening scholarly practices, and promoting contributions to the academy as women answer God's call to a life of ministry service.

The next Society meeting for the Spring semester will be held on **Wednesday, April 21** from **12 to 1 PM CST**. For more information, visit prepareher.com/academics.

SBHLA Lynn E. May Jr. Study Grant



**Lynn E. May,
Jr**

The Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, Council of Seminary Presidents, sponsors a program whereby funds are made available periodically for partial support of research in the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives. The grants provide a maximum of \$750. The grants are in memory of Lynn E. May Jr., who served as Executive Director of the Historical Commission from 1971 to 1995 and who has been instrumental in the establishment of the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives.

Graduate students, college and seminary professors, historians, and other writers may apply for the grants. Apply online on the [SBHLA Web site](#). Applications should be submitted to Taffey Hall, Director of the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, 901 Commerce Street, Suite 400, Nashville, Tennessee 37203-3630 by **June 1, 2021**.

Library Acquisitions

Check out the recent acquisitions in the library:

- [February 2021](#)



The Library homepage now has helpful videos on how to find dissertations on ProQuest. [Check it out!](#)



Mercersburg Society Roth

The [Mercersburg Society Roth Prize](#) is named for Jeffrey Roth, a founding member of the Mercersburg Society. The purpose of the prize is to promote the study of Mercersburg Theology from a variety of angles.

This annual prize of \$750 is given for the best student paper on any topic, historical or contemporary, pertaining to Mercersburg Theology. Undergraduate, graduate, and seminary students are welcome to submit papers written in their courses or arising from independent study. Papers should be approximately 15-20 pages in length, complete with appropriate documentation.

The recipient of the prize will be invited to present the winning essay at a Mercersburg Society Convocation (held annually in June). At the decision of the editors, the paper may then be published in the *New Mercersburg Review*. Inquiries may be sent to Dr. Anne Thayer: athayer@lanasterseminary.edu

Submissions for 2021 must be received by **May 20, 2021**.



FTE DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS FOR 2020-2021

The Fund for Theological Education offers the Fellowship for Doctoral Students of African Descent and the Fellowship for Latino/a, Asian-Pacific Islander, and First Nations Doctoral Students. Each fellowship recipient receives an award up to \$25,000. Qualified candidates must be

- Students of African, Latino/a, Asian, Pacific Islands or First Nations descent who are citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. or Canada
- Enrolled full time in a ThD or PhD program in religion, theological studies, or biblical studies
- Finished with coursework by the beginning of the awarded fellowship year (September 1, 2021)
- In a position to write full time during the fellowship year if applicant is at the dissertation stage

The applicant's dissertation committee must have approved the dissertation research proposal and writing plan and given the student full approval to proceed (ABD) before submission of an application.

[Click here](#) for more information and to apply online.

Acton Institute Novak Award

The Acton Institute is now accepting applications for the 2021 Novak Award.

Who: Current doctoral candidates or those who have received a doctorate in the past five academic years are eligible. Applicants should have studied theology, religion, philosophy, history, law, politics, economics, or related fields.

What: \$15,000 award

Why: To reward new outstanding scholarly research concerning the relationship between religion, economic freedom, and the free and virtuous society.

When: Applications must be mailed to the Acton Institute and postmarked by April 15, 2021.

Click [here](#) to apply.



Spring 2021 JBTM

The Spring 2021 issue of the *Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry* is now [available online](#).



Call For Papers

The inaugural meeting of the Wolfhart Pannenberg Symposium will be held March 25-26, 2022 at Loyola University Chicago (Water Tower Campus). This year’s theme is “The Spirit, the Kingdom, and Ecumenism—Wolfhart Pannenberg’s Doctrine of the Church.” Paper proposals should be no more than 500 words and can be emailed to pannenbergsymposium@gmail.com by **July 1, 2021**. For more information, please see this flyer. A limited number of scholarships are available for those in need.

2021 Society Meetings

SW Evangelical Theological Society

“The Problem of Evil”

April 23-24, 2021

University of the Southwest
Hobbs, NM

Virtual Meeting

SBL Annual Meeting

“The Use of the Bible in the Public Square”

November 20-23, 2021

Henry B. Gonzalez
Convention Center

San Antonio, TX

ETS Annual Meeting

“Wealth and Poverty”

November 16-18, 2021

Omni Hotel

Fort Worth, TX



Evangelical Homiletical Society

“Preaching Lament & Hope”

November 4-6, 2021

Baylor University

Waco, TX

**Call for Papers Deadline:
May 30**

Evangelical Philosophical Society

November 16-18, 2021

Omni Hotel

Fort Worth, TX

**Call for Papers Deadline:
April 16**

Tel Hadid 2021

June 13-July 8

\$1400/two weeks + Airfare

Sponsored by The Moskau Institute of Archaeology/Center for Archaeological Research of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and Tel Aviv University

The Project: Participate in the excavation of an ancient city that was resettled by the Assyrians after the fall of Jerusalem in 722 BC. The site also was home to the Hebrew people who returned to Israel after the exile (Ezra 2:33; Nehemiah 7:37, 11:34).

Dates: June 13-July 8, 2021. Volunteers should plan to arrive no later than June 11, and those working all four weeks should plan departures for July 8 or after.

Cost: \$1,400 for first two weeks, \$650 for each additional week + airfare. Costs cover room and board. Weekend travel fee is \$50/person/day, and participants are responsible for meals during the tours. Participants are responsible for their own flights to and from Israel. The dig will arrange airport pickup.

Weekend Travel: The expedition will arrange several field trips covering key areas of Israel. The weekend travel cost is \$50/person/day.

Accommodations: Volunteers will be housed in air-conditioned rooms at the Neve Shalom Guest House, with three to four persons per room.

Academic Credit: Undergraduate or graduate course credit for up to 9 semester hours is available. Standard tuition and fees apply. For details, contact Dr. Dennis Cole (rdcole@nobts.edu).

**\$1400/2 weeks
+ airfare**

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