



Congratulations, PhD Graduates!



Congratulations to the following students who will have the PhD degree conferred as of May 2021:

Chris Gates (biblical interpretation), “The Psalmic Subtext in the Conclusion of Mark’s Gospel”

Derek Kitterlin (biblical exposition), “An Investigation of the Figures of Speech in Selected Sermons of Gardner C. Taylor”

Ron Lindo (Old Testament), “Bringing Peace to the Nations: An Exploration of the Editorial Design of the Book of Esther”

Paul Richey (evangelism), “The Use of Pauline Evangelism Principles for the Development of a Strategy of Evangelism to Engage a Culture Influenced by Intersectionality”

Clayr Simnacher (counselor education and supervision), “Daily Spiritual Experiences, Empathy, and Sense of Belonging as Predictors of Burnout Among Licensed Counselors”

Keith Taylor (biblical exposition), “Preaching to Men: An Analysis of Functional Elements in Selected Sermons Preached at Promise Keepers Meetings 1994-1996”

Academic Appointment

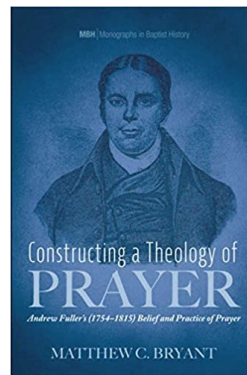
Congratulations to Nick Maricle (theology) in his recent appointment as full-time Assistant Professor and Dean of the Chapel at Louisiana College!

Congratulations, ThM Graduates!

Congratulations to the following students who will have the ThM degree conferred as of May 2021:

- Landon Adams (church history)
- Andrew Chesteen (evangelism)
- Josh Hagans (theology)
- Della Lago (Christian education)
- Nicholas Maricle (theology)
- Joshua Payne (counselor education & supervision)
- Brandon Phillips (Christian leadership)
- Shannon Radosevich (Christian education)
- Corbin Smith (biblical interpretation)
- Sebastian Suma (biblical interpretation)
- Bobby Tinner (counselor education & supervision)
- Deidra Williams (biblical interpretation)

Alumni Publications



Congratulations to Matthew Bryant (theology, 2019) in the publication of his dissertation, “Constructing a Theology of Prayer: Andrew Fuller’s (1754-1815) Belief and Practice of Prayer.” This text was released in January 2021 by Pickwick Publications as part of their Monographs in Baptist History series.

Congratulations to Michael Steinmetz (theology, 2020) on the upcoming publication of his dissertation, “Søren Kierkegaard and the Doctrine of Sin,” as part of the Kierkegaard Study Monograph by De Gruyter.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- ◆ **May 13:** Doctoral Graduation Rehearsal & President’s Graduation Reception
- ◆ **May 14:** Doctoral Graduation
- ◆ **July 4:** Independence Day; offices will be closed **July 5**
- ◆ **July 28-30:** Qualifying Exams
- ◆ **August 13:** Tuition deadline for fall 2021



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PROGRAM DATES AND DEADLINES

- ◆ **May 14:** Research proposals and approval forms due to ReDOC office for June Prospectus Development
- ◆ **July 30:** Nonbiblical language exams deadline for fall 2021 semester
- ◆ **August 12:** Qualifying Exams results due to ReDOC by 12:00 noon CST

Presentations

Kendall Wolz (counselor education and supervision) will be leading a workshop titled “Forgotten Victims: Caring for the Non-Abused Siblings of Sexual Abuse Victims,” as part of the 2021 Virtual Foster, Adoptive, Kinship Parent Conference May 13-16, 2021. This event is sponsored by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. In addition, she will be the keynote speaker on May 16 in a presentation titled “Brave Girl, Speak.”

Oral Exams

Congratulations to the following students on passing their oral exam:

Lee Castello (Old Testament)
 Jamie Klemashevich (Counselor Ed. & Supervision)

Prospectus Approvals

Scott Thomas (evangelism), “An Investigation into A Relationship Between Pastoral Prayer Emphasis and Evangelistic Effectiveness in Selected Southern Baptist Churches”

Yungmin Lee (New Testament), “A Study of Personal Contact and Touch in the Greco-Roman World”

ReDOC Schedule for 2020-2021

The following are the ReDOC meetings for 2020–2021:

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.**

Alumni Publications

Andrew Hollingsworth (theology, 2018) had the following articles published:

“Being and Doing: The *Imago Dei* in Semiotic Perspective,” *The Global Anglican*, 135.1 (Spring 2021).

“The Semiotic Animal and the Image of God,” *Evangelical Philosophical Society Web Project: The Philosophy of Theological Anthropology*.

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.



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.

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**.



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.



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.

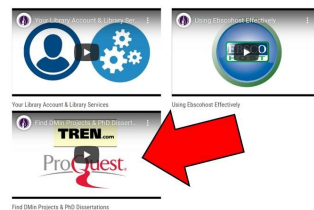
The recipient of the prize will be invited to present the winning essay at a Mercersburg Society Convocation (held annually in June). At the decision of the editors, the paper may then be published in the *New Mercersburg Review*. Inquiries may be sent to Dr. Anne Thayer: athayer@lanasterseminary.edu

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

Library Acquisitions

Check out the recent acquisitions in the library:

- [February 2021](#)
- [April 2021](#)
- [May 2021](#)



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

Southeast Regional ETS Meeting

The following students and alumni presented at the Southeast Regional ETS Meeting, April 24, 2021.

David Gamble (Christian apologetics), “Justin Martyr and Inclusivism: To What Degree is Justin Martyr an Inclusivist?”

Andrew Hollingsworth (theology, 2018), “Creation ex Nihilo and Problems with Craig Carter’s Trinitarian Classical Theism”

Micah Chung (theology), “Deleting Trauma: The Promises and Pitfalls of Memory-Editing Technologies from a Christian Ethical Perspective”

Thomas Doughty (theology), “To Infinity & Beyond: Potential Suffering in Material Creation”

Eric Reeves (Old Testament), “Responsible Aesthetics and the Image of Imago Dei”

2021/2022 Society Meetings

Evangelical Homiletical Society

“Preaching Lament & Hope”

November 4-6, 2021

Baylor University

Waco, TX

**Call for Papers Deadline:
May 30**

ETS Annual Meeting

“Wealth and Poverty”

November 16-18, 2021

Omni Hotel

Fort Worth, TX

Evangelical Philosophical Society

November 16-18, 2021

Omni Hotel

Fort Worth, TX



SBL Annual Meeting

“The Use of the Bible in the Public Square”

November 20-23, 2021

Henry B. Gonzalez
Convention Center

San Antonio, TX

American Society of Church History Annual Meeting

“Crossings”

March 2022

Austin, TX

**Call for Papers Deadline:
June 30**