May 2014 Graduate Is SBC Researcher of the Year

For the second consecutive year, NOBTS PhD students have swept the field in receiving the top SBRF research awards. Ji Eun Yoo (Christian education) has been named the Southern Baptist Research Fellowship Researcher of the Year for 2014 for her dissertation, “An Investigation into the Relationship between Ministerial Satisfaction and Spiritual Well-Being among Women in Ministerial Positions in Korean Baptist Churches,” guided by Drs. Donna Peavey, Judi Jackson, and Bill Day. Ji Eun and her husband, Min Seok Jang (New Testament, 2010), are the first Korean couple to earn PhD degrees from NOBTS.

Receiving the runner-up SBRF award is Kelly Rinehart for her dissertation, “Spirituality as a Moderator of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Symptoms in Military Personnel: A Meta-Analysis,” guided by Drs. Kristyn Carver, Kathy Steele, and Bill Day. Kelly defended her dissertation at 2:00 a.m. from her Army chaplaincy post in Parwan, Afghanistan. She recently was accepted to the Texas A&M University School of Law.

Congratulations, Ji Eun, Kelly, and faculty!

The PhD Manual has been updated for 2014-2015.

Registration for Spring Opens Monday, October 27

Online registration for January and spring 2015 opens Monday, October 27 at 8:00 am CST and closes at 4:00 pm CST on Monday, November 10. Students beginning the PhD program in January will receive paper registration forms with their acceptance letters. The schedule is available online.

If you are submitting a research proposal to your guidance committee chair by the November 3 deadline, you should register for the January 5-9 RDOC9303 Prospectus Development course. If your committee does not approve your proposal by the December 12 deadline, you will be dropped from the course at no charge.

New procedure: Students who are not taking a course no longer need to register online. If you are on inactive (requires ReDOC approval) or program proficiency status or are a writing candidate, the ReDOC office will work with the Registrar’s Office to register you under your guidance committee chair. You should be able to see your spring registration on your SelfServe schedule after registration ends.

Research Proposals Due November 3

Students registering for January 5-9 Prospectus Development must submit 4 copies of the research proposal to the guidance committee chair by Nov. 3. Chairs will enlist two additional division members to read the proposals and give feedback, and the committees have until Friday, Dec. 12 to work with students on revisions and forward to ReDOC 2 copies of each approved proposal and a Research Proposal Report form.

Upcoming Events!

♦ October 27-November 10: Registration for January, Spring 2015

♦ November 7: Brown Bag Lunch with Mark Gstohl (Creole Room)

♦ November 26 (noon)-30: Thanksgiving break; ReDOC office closed

♦ December 12: President’s graduation reception

♦ December 13: Graduation

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♦ October 25 (extended deadline): LifeWay cap and gown purchase deadline

♦ November 3: Research proposal submission deadline for January 2015 Prospectus Development; Qualifying Exam application deadline; prospectus approval deadline for May 2015 graduation

♦ November 10: LifeWay cap and gown rental deadline

♦ December 1: Final copies of dissertations due

♦ December 12: Research proposal approval deadline for January 2015 Prospectus Development

Oral Exams

Congratulations to the following students who passed the Oral Comprehensive Examination:

Kathy Frady (Christian education)
Shin Deok Ra (preaching)

You can apply to take the oral exam when you complete course work and your guidance committee has approved your research proposal. The examination application form must be signed by the guidance committee and submitted to the ReDOC office for approval no later than 2 weeks prior to the anticipated date of the exam.

Teaching Position at Golden Gate

GGBTS is seeking a PhD grad in Christian education to fill a position in Educational Leadership. For more information, check the ReDOC office bulletin board or e-mail us at phd@nobts.edu

ReDOC Schedule for 2014-2015

The following are the ReDOC meetings for 2014-2015:

October 29, 11am-12noon:
Doctoral Admissions

November 12
December 10

January 21 (no prospectuses)
February 11
March 11 (summer directed study proposals)
April 8
April 13—Doctoral Admissions
May 13 (fall directed study proposals)
June 3

A prospectus to be considered by ReDOC must be reviewed by your guidance committee and 9 copies submitted through your chairperson to the Office of Research Doctoral Programs no later than one week before the scheduled ReDOC 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.

Please keep in mind that final approval of your prospectus is granted by your doctoral guidance committee after you make any revisions your committee deems appropriate in light of feedback from ReDOC.

If you are required to go through the Institutional Review Board approval process for research with human subjects, your committee cannot approve your prospectus until the IRB assesses the risk to and protection of the participants.

NOTE: If you think your guidance committee has approved your prospectus but you have not seen your approval in the ReDOC News, please let us know.
Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship

The Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships support the final year of dissertation work for Ph.D. candidates in the humanities and social sciences. Eligible proposals have religious or ethical values as a central concern and are relevant to the solution of contemporary religious, cultural, or human rights questions. The stipend for this year will be $25,000 for a twelve-month period of dissertation writing. The proposal submission deadline is November 15, 2014. For more information, please visit the Woodrow Wilson Fellowship Foundation Web site.

Tulane University Judeo-Christian Studies Chair
Fall 2014 Public Lecture Series

Kathleen and John F. Bricker Memorial Lecture

Jacob Howland

Myra Clare Rogers Memorial Chapel

Wednesday, October 22, 2014, 7:30 pm

“Kierkegaard on Theodicy, Law, and Love”

Jacob Howland is McFarlin Professor of Philosophy at the University of Tulsa, where he has received several teaching awards since arriving in 1998. He has written and lectured on Plato, Xenophon, Aristotle, and Kierkegaard; on the Hebrew Scriptures; and on Holocaust literature. Along with numerous articles, he is the author of The Republic: The Odyssey of Philosophy (Macmillan, 1993; Paul Dry, 2004); The Paradox of Political Philosophy (Roman & Littlefield, 1998); Kierkegaard and Socrates: A Study of Philosophy and Faith (Cambridge, 2006); and Plato and the Talmud (Cambridge, 2011).

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Call for Papers: Hiebert Scholarship Awards

The Hiebert Global Center at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School is calling for proposals for papers that build on aspects of Paul Hiebert’s missiology (such as contextualization, spiritual warfare, epistemology, missional theology) to further the field of intercultural ministries. The 200-300 word paper proposals are due by December 10, 2014 for presentation at the April 4, 2015 North Central Region Evangelical Missiological Society meeting at Trinity in Deerfield, IL. Complete versions of the five papers accepted will be due February 10, 2015.

The five Hiebert scholarships include a $2,000 first-place award, two $1,000 second-place awards, and two $500 third-place awards. Also, the papers will be published in a compendium of Hiebert Track presentations.

2014 ETS Meeting

Rex Butler, “Persecution & Martyrdom Yesterday & Today: Christian Suffering in the Early Church and the Contemporary World”


Dan Warner, “Amplification of Canaanite Cult based upon Refined Archaeological Methodologies”; panel discussion follows.

2014 SBL Meeting


2014 ASOR Meeting

Dan Warner, Tsvika Tsuk, Jim Parker, and Dennis Cole, “Is There Light or Water at the End of the Tunnel? The Renewed Excavations of the Gezer Water System”
**Can You Dig It? The Gezer Water System Expedition 2015**

**May 24-June 11, 2015**

$600* per week + Airfare

*Extra days: $100/day

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**The Project:** Participate in the excavation of an ancient Canaanite water system at Tel Gezer in Israel.

**Dates:** May 24-June 11, 2015. Volunteers should plan to arrive no later than May 22, and those working all three weeks should plan departures for June 12 or 13.

**Cost:** $1,800 for the 3-week season, or $600 per week (extra days: $100/day) + airfare. Costs cover room, board, and weekend travel. Preference will be given to three-week participants. 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. Weekend travel costs are included in the excavation pricing.

**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 6 semester hours is available. Additional tuition fees apply.

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