Congratulations, Graduates!

Congratulations to the following students who received the Doctor of Philosophy degree at graduation on December 13, 2014:


Josh Smith (psychology/counseling), “Using Multivariate Linear Regression Models to Analyze Self-Report Measures of Mother-Father Emotional Responsiveness, Empathic Capacity, and Internalized Shame in a Group of Adults”


In addition, the following students received the Master of Theology degree:

Mark Cooper (Christian education)
Amy Morgan (psychology & counseling)
Ree Reinhardt (Christian education)
Brian Richards (biblical interpretation)
Scott Talley (biblical interpretation)
Jared Thomas (psychology & counseling)
Dustin Turner (theological-historical)
Tim Walker (theological-historical)

Oral Exams

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

James Hawkins (psychology & counseling)
Nathan VanHorn (New Testament)

Prospectus Approval

Megan Clunan (psychology & counseling), “Factors Impacting Marital Satisfaction Among American Church Planters”

Christmas Break

As a Christmas gift to the NOBTS staff, Dr. Chuck Kelley announced that our offices will have an extra day and a half of vacation. Therefore, offices close on Friday, December 19 at 5:00 PM. We will open again at 8:00 AM on Monday, January 5.

May we all have a Christ-filled Christmas!

Registration Open for New February 2015 Master’s Course

Students interested in the new PhD statistics course RDOC9304 Research Statistics for CE to be taught by Rick Yount June 22-26, 2015 can brush up on their stats skills in his February 2-6 master’s course CEST6300 Introduction to Educational Research & Statistics. For approval to register for this course, contact Dr. Randy Stone.

Upcoming Events!

♦ December 19 (5 PM)-January 4: Offices closed for Christmas
♦ January 7-9: Qualifying Exams
♦ January 5-9: Prospectus Development
♦ January 13-15: Intro to Research and Writing
♦ January 13-16: Teaching Methods and Learning Theory

Have a blessed Christmas!

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If you have moved or changed your e-mail address or phone number, please send your updated contact information to the ReDOC Office. We are not on Power Campus, so we do not get automatic updates.

**Program Dates and Deadlines**

- **January 5**: IRB proposal submission deadline for February 11 ReDOC meeting
- **January 16**: Spring semester tuition due
- **January 20**: Spring semester classes begin
- **March 4**: Summer directed study proposal deadline

**ReDOC Schedule for 2014-2015**

The following are the ReDOC meetings for 2014-2015:

- **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.

**Study Tip of the Month**

Are you studying for the qualifying or oral exam? Consider this tip from psychology/counseling candidate James Hawkins.

As an aid to remembering which source contains a specific body of information, consider adding a thumbnail photo of the book to your study notes. Seeing a graphic will strengthen the association for visual learners.

Thanks for the great tip, James!
## 2015 Calls for Papers

### Evangelical Theological Society

#### Southeast Regional Meeting

“The Kingdom of God as a Metanarrative in Scripture”

**March 27-28, 2015**

Luther Rice Seminary

Lithonia, GA

#### Southwest Regional Meeting

“The Doctrine of Creation”

**April 10-11, 2015**

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

#### Annual Meeting

“Marriage and Family”

**November 17-19, 2015**

Atlanta Hilton

Atlanta, GA

### Society of Biblical Literature

#### Southeast Regional Meeting

**March 6-8, 2015**

Airport Marriott

Nashville, TN

#### Southwest Regional Meeting

**March 13-14, 2015**

Marriott Hotel

DFW Airport North

Irving, TX

#### Annual Meeting

**November 21-24, 2015**

Atlanta, GA

### Baptist History & Heritage Society

#### “Seeking Justice: Baptists, Nashville and Civil Rights”

**April 20-22, 2015**

Nashville, TN

### Baptist Association of Christian Educators

#### Annual Meeting

“Prescriptions for Spiritual, Family, and Church Health”

**April 9-10, 2015**

Johnson Ferry Baptist Church

Marietta, GA

### Evangelical Homiletics Society

#### Paper proposal submission deadline

**May 15, 2015**

(form not yet posted)

#### Annual Meeting

**October 15-17, 2015**

Louisville, KY

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Can You Dig It? The Gezer Water System Expedition 2015

May 24-June 11, 2015
$600* per week + Airfare
*Extra days: $100/day

Sponsored by The Moskau Institute of Archaeology/Center for Archaeological Research of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and the Israel Nature and Parks Authority

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.

For More Information Contact
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Visit the NOBTS Center for Archaeological Research website at www.nobts.edu/archaeologycenter/