



## ***Congratulations, PhD Graduates!***



Congratulations to the following students who will have the PhD degree conferred as of May 2020:

Ben Browning (New Testament), “Facing the Mob: Government Responses to Civil Unrest in the Roman Empire and Their Implications for New Testament Texts”

Brad Delaughter (Christian education), “An Assessment of Faith Maturity among Angola Extension Center Students, Leavell College, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary”

Jacob Milstead (theology), “Theological Postfoundationalism and Doctrinal Boundary Making”

Michael Steinmetz (theology), “Søren Kierkegaard and the Doctrine of Sin”

We are cheering for you now and hope to congratulate all of you in person at the December 19 commencement ceremony.

### ***Oral Exams***

Congratulations to the following students for passing their oral comprehensive examinations:

Clay Carter (Christian education)  
Fabio Castellanos (New Testament)  
Chris Gates (biblical interpretation)

### ***Faculty Awards***

Congratulations to the faculty who received the following Marvin Jones Awards for Excellence:

Dr. Jeff Riley, Outstanding Classroom Teacher  
Dr. David Lema, Outstanding Churchman  
Dr. Bill Day, Outstanding Researcher

## ***Congratulations, ThM Graduates!***

Congratulations to the following students who will have the ThM degree conferred as of May 2020:

Chris Bagley (biblical exposition)  
Billy Benson (theology)  
Matt Burks (New Testament)  
Tyler Ellis (Old Testament)  
Dale Garvin (evangelism)  
Les Hughes (New Testament)  
Zach Johnson (biblical interpretation)  
Jamie Klemashevich (counseling)  
Eric Reeves (Old Testament)  
Shan Taylor (biblical exposition)  
Joe Waller (theology)  
Missie Wiedman (Christian education)

## ***Celebration of Excellence***

The Celebration of Excellence normally is held the first Tuesday in May. Congratulations to the 2019-2020 graduates who are recipients of the following awards.

### ***Jack and Juanita Cunningham Scholarship Fund for Holy Land Travel***

Bryan Shuler (theology)  
Zach Miller (biblical exposition, entering PhD August 2020)  
Linda Littlefield (counseling, December 2019)  
Obbie Todd (theology, December 2019)

### ***Outstanding Student Award in Christian Thought, Zondervan Greek Award***

Nick Holder (theology, entering PhD August 2020)

### ***Zondervan Theology Award***

Bryan Shuler (theology, December 2019)

## ***Academic Appointment***

Congratulations to Casey Hough (biblical interpretation, December 2019) for his appointment as Assistant Professor of Biblical Interpretation at Luther Rice Seminary beginning in the 2020-2021 academic year.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

- ◆ **June 1:** Projected rollout of Campus Nexus Student, our new student information system
- ◆ **June 8:** Summer German or Latin individual sessions begin. Email [registration form](mailto:registration_form@travel@nobts.edu) to [travel@nobts.edu](mailto:travel@nobts.edu)
- ◆ **July 4:** Independence Day; offices will be closed **July 3**.
- ◆ **August 5-7:** Qualifying Exams
- ◆ **August 21:** Tuition deadline for fall semester
- ◆ **August 24:** Fall semester begins



***Celebration of Excellence***

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**PROGRAM DATES AND DEADLINES**

- ◆ **May 15:** Research proposals and approval forms due to ReDOC office for June Prospectus Development
- ◆ **August 7:** Nonbiblical language exams deadline for Fall 2020 semester
- ◆ **August 20:** Qualifying Exam results due to ReDOC by 12:00 noon Central Time

***Prospectus Approvals***

Tommy Doughty (theology), “Christus Dominus: Reconciling the Ultimate Primacy of the Incarnate Christ and Penal Substitutionary Atonement”

Tommy Magers (biblical exposition), “A Critical Analysis of Style in Selected Sermons of John A. Broadus”

Katie Morgan (New Testament), “Importance of the Apocryphal Infancy Gospels for New Testament Text and Canon”



***Bored at Home? Help the ABHS Transcribe!***

The American Baptist Historical Society has launched a project to transcribe hand-written church records to upload into a searchable database of pdf documents. For the pilot phase of this project, records of First Baptist Church of Christ, Chautauqua (later Stockton), NY have been digitized and uploaded to [Zooniverse](http://Zooniverse).

“ABHS is applying for a grant to fund setting up a more extensive crowd-sourced transcription project than this pilot project. It might help our funding chances to be able to point to interest shown for the pilot project. Take a break from your usual and join the ABHS transcription community!”

Check out this exciting opportunity to contribute to the history of the church in America.

***ReDOC Schedule for 2019-2020***

The last ReDOC meeting for 2019–2020 will be **June 3 (5/4 IRB)**.

**September 9** will be the first anticipated opportunity for prospectuses to be reviewed in 2020–2021 (**IRB request due by 8/10**).

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](mailto: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 before you submit a pdf 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](mailto:phd@nobts.edu). Indicate the appropriate professors on 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 SELFSERVE.**



**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.**



## Calls for Papers



### Evangelical Homiletical Society

“Preaching in an Age of Idols”

**October 15-17, 2020**

Baylor University

Waco, TX

**Deadline: May 15**

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AAR/SBL Philosophy Session

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## *From the Library*

The stay-at-home order for Louisiana and New Orleans ends on Friday, May 15. All main campus library books which originally were due during the stay-at-home order are now due Monday, May 18. The library will have an additional one-week grace period with no fines. Fines will begin accruing on May 25.

Please return books to the book drop by the circle-drive on Seminary Place or in the mail to John T. Christian Library, 3939 Gentilly Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70126. Books postmarked by the due date are considered returned on time.

NOBTS has not yet made an announcement regarding when offices and the library will reopen to the public. Until further notice, the library building will remain closed, and we will continue to process email requests for books and article/chapter scans. If you have any questions or if there is anything we can help you with, please email [library@nobts.edu](mailto:library@nobts.edu). Thank you.



## ***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, 2020**.