



## *Online Registration November 2-16*

Online registration for January and Spring 2021 is scheduled to open on Monday, November 4, at 8:00 a.m. Central Time and close at 4:00 p.m. Central Time on Monday, November 16.

If you are not taking a course in either the January miniterm or the spring semester, you do not need to register because the ReDOC office will register you for Program Proficiency, Dissertation Writing, Program Continuance, or a ReDOC-approved Inactive Status as appropriate. Directed Studies are registered automatically through the Graduate Dean's office.

If you plan to submit 4 copies of your research proposal to your guidance committee by the November 2 deadline, register for the January 4-8 RDOC9303 Prospectus Development in the January 2021 miniterm. If your guidance committee does not approve your research proposal by Friday, December 18, the ReDOC office will drop you from the course at no charge.

If you have a HOLD on your account, **work now** with the office that placed it so that you will be cleared to register. Keep in mind that if you do not have a \$0 balance on your account, the computer will not allow access to registration. Students who are not registered by the close of registration on November 16 will be charged a \$220 late registration fee.

Problems or concerns? Contact the ReDOC Office **first**. We are here to help! (No question too small.)

(504) 816-8010 or 1-800-NOBTS-01, ext. 8010  
phd@nobts.edu or redocsec@nobts.edu

Also see the [PhD Survival Guide!](#)

## *Research Proposals Due November 2*

Do you plan to take the January 4-8, 2021 Prospectus Development course? If so, you must submit 4 copies of your research proposal to your guidance committee chair by November 2, 2020. The chair and second member will enlist two additional division faculty to read the proposal and provide feedback. You have until Friday, December 18 to work with your committee to make revisions and submit 2 copies of your approved proposal and a Research Proposal Report form to the ReDOC office.

If your proposal is not approved by the deadline, you will be dropped from the course at no charge.

## *Oral Exam*

Congratulations to the following student for passing the Oral Comprehensive Examination.

Les Hughes (New Testament)

## *Doctoral Manual Updated*



The latest version of the [Doctoral Manual](#) can be found on our webpage under Program Materials. As a reminder, this document is a good place to look for answers to all your program questions. If you still have a question after reading the manual, please contact the ReDOC Office. We would be glad to assist you!

## UPCOMING EVENTS!

- ◆ **October 19-23:** Fall Break
- ◆ **November 2-16:** ThM and PhD registration for January and Spring 2021
- ◆ **December 1:** Drop-add deadline for January 2021 workshops
- ◆ **December 15:** Drop-add deadline for Spring 2021 courses
- ◆ **December 19:** Graduation



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**PROGRAM DATES AND DEADLINES**

- ◆ **November 2:** Research proposal submission deadline, application deadline for January 6-8 Qualifying Exam, prospectus approval deadline for March 1 dissertation submission for May graduation
- ◆ **December 4:** Dissertation final pdf due
- ◆ **December 18:** Research proposal approval deadline

***New Prospectus Approval Deadline***

After observing the time period between prospectuses being reviewed by ReDOC and subsequently receiving guidance committee approval, ReDOC established a new deadline designed to address the gap.

A student must have a prospectus approved by the guidance committee no later than the beginning of the fourth active semester following ReDOC review.

After the allotted time, a student must submit a report to the guidance committee and ReDOC detailing reasons for the delay. Upon the recommendation of the guidance committee, students may be required to retake Prospectus Development.

The prospectus also must be approved by the end of the sixth year in the program.

***ReDOC Schedule for 2020-2021***

The following are the ReDOC meetings for 2020–2021 and the IRB request deadlines:

- August 26** (no prospectuses)
- September 9 (8/10 IRB)**
- October 14 (9/14 IRB;** spring directed studies)
- October 26** (Doctoral Admissions)
- November 11 (10/12 IRB)**
- December 9 (11/9 IRB)**

- January 20** (no prospectuses)
- February 10 (1/11 IRB)**
- March 10 (2/10 IRB;** summer directed studies)
- March 29** (Doctoral Admissions)
- 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. 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 CAMPUSNEXUS.



**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.**

# Presentations

## Evangelical Theological Society November 16-20, Virtual



- Alan Bandy, “Should Revelation Be in the Canon?”
- Jonathan Borland (New Testament), “Tertullian’s Text of John”
- Page Brooks (theology, 2008), “Who Says This War is Just? Just War Theory in Christian and Islamic Traditions”
- Benjamin Browning (New Testament, 2020), “Intentional Inaction or Unremarkable Unrest? Examining Hubbard’s View of Acts 18:17”
- Rex Butler, “‘Love is Life’: Raymond Lull and the Franciscan Mission to Muslims”
- Tommy Doughty (theology), “Where the New Conflict Really Lies: Analytic Theological Method”
- Casey Hough (biblical interpretation, 2019), “The Hem of the Jew—Zechariah 8:20-23 as a Prophetic Background to Matthew 9:18-26 and 14:34-36”
- Ben Hutchison (Old Testament, 2017), “A Memorial in the House of God: The Ethiopian Eunuch of Acts 8 and the Promise of Isaiah 56”
- Mario Melendez (biblical interpretation, 2019), “‘Go and do Likewise’: A Minority—Biblical Interpretation of Luke 10:25-37”
- Sylvie Raquel (New Testament, 2002), “The Role of Forgiveness in Sanctification”
- Charlie Ray III (New Testament, 2008), “A Lawful Use of the Law: The Use of Law in 1 Timothy 1 and Its Implications for the Church”
- Michael Steinmetz (theology, 2020), “Rhetorical Digression: Ephesians 3:1-13 as Hermeneutical Key to the Book of Ephesians”
- Daniel Warner, “Gezer, Water at the end of the Tunnel!”

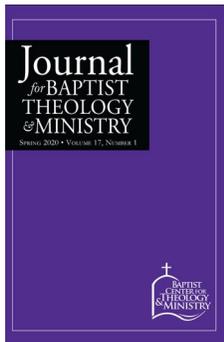
## Fall 2020 Meetings



<p><u>Evangelical Homiletical Society</u></p> <p>“Preaching in an Age of Idols”</p> <p><b>October 15, 2020</b></p> <p>Virtual</p>		
<p><u>Evangelical Philosophical Society</u></p> <p>“Christianity and Islam”</p> <p><b>November 17-19, 2020</b></p> <p>Virtual</p>	<p><u>Evangelical Theological Society</u></p> <p>“Christianity and Islam”</p> <p><b>November 16-20, 2020</b></p> <p>Virtual</p>	<p><u>AAR/SBL</u></p> <p><b>November 29-December 10, 2020</b></p> <p>Virtual</p>

## *Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry*

The journal has books that are available for PhD students to read and write a review. Anyone who writes a review on a book gets to keep the book for free! If you are interested in reviewing a book for the journal, email [harwoodsec@nobts.edu](mailto:harwoodsec@nobts.edu).



## *Newcombe Fellowship: November 15 Deadline*

The [Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships](#) support the final year of dissertation research for PhD candidates in the humanities and social sciences. Proposals should have religious or ethical values as a central concern and be relevant to the solution of contemporary religious, cultural, or human rights questions. The stipend is \$27,500 for a 12-month period of dissertation writing, with the expectation the dissertation will be completed between April 1 and August 31, 2022.

### The Newcombe Scholarships

Since 1981 over 39,500 Newcombe Scholarships have been awarded to students at more than 100 colleges and universities.



## 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.



Louisville Institute supports the study of religious practices and institutions in North America. If you are a pastoral leader, doctoral student, or academic researcher, apply for the grant or fellowship program that is the best fit for you.

**Grant Deadlines**

- September 1, 2020:** Pastoral Study Project (Up to \$15,000)
- October 1, 2020:** Project Grant (Up to \$30,000)
- November 1, 2020:** Sabbatical Grant (Up to \$40,000)
- January 15, 2021:** First Book Grant for Minority

**Fellowship Deadlines**

- December 1, 2020:** Post-Doctoral Fellowship (\$25,000/year for 2 years plus additional benefits)
- February 1, 2021:** Dissertation Fellowship (\$25,000)

[See Louisville Institute Grants and Fellowships](#)