



Presidential Inauguration January 30



On Thursday, January 30, 2020, Dr. Jamie Dew will be sworn in as the ninth president of NOBTS. Events will include

- 11 a.m. inauguration chapel led by SBC Executive Committee president Dr. Ronnie Floyd
- 2 p.m. reception at HSC
- 7 p.m. inauguration ceremony in Leavell Chapel
- 9 p.m. dessert reception in HSC

Guests from sister seminaries and other SBC entities will be in attendance, and NOBTS artifacts from the Baptist Bible Institute's beginning will be on display.

Come join with your NOBTS family in celebrating God's ongoing goodness to us!

Serve Day Tomorrow: January 28

In keeping with our calling to minister with the basin and the bowl, NOBTS faculty, staff, and students will go into New Orleans neighborhoods to serve the residents on January 28 from 12:30 to 3 p.m.

To join a ministry team, [sign up online](#) or follow the crowd after lunch in the cafeteria.

ERLC Seminar in Nashville

The Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission will offer a seminar on contemporary moral issues in social thought and public policy May 18-22, 2020 in Nashville, TN.

Dr. Andrew Walker, Associate Professor of Christian Ethics and Apologetics at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and frequent visiting professor at NOBTS, will focus on "the central ethical debates happening in contemporary culture and how those debates spill into areas of public policy."

Through assigned reading, class discussion, and individual research, the student will develop an understanding of these issues and a Christian moral response to conflicts related to "family integrity, justice, religious liberty, and human dignity."

Our partnership with the ERLC provides the opportunity for NOBTS PhD students to enroll in this seminar by registering for ETHC9490 Contemporary Issues in Public Policy during our April 20-May 4 online registration. Look for the syllabus link on our 2020-2021 seminar schedule in February.



Drop-Add

To drop or add a course after registration closes, contact the ReDOC office for approval to complete the [Drop-Add Request form](#) on the Registrar's web page. The Spring 2020 semester deadline is Friday, January 31.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- ◆ **January 28:** Serve Day
- ◆ **January 30:** Inauguration of Dr. Jamie Dew
- ◆ **January 31:** Drop-add deadline
- ◆ **February 25:** Mardi Gras; offices closed, no classes
- ◆ **March 8:** Daylight Saving Time begins
- ◆ **March 16-20:** Spring break
- ◆ **March 30:** Doctoral Admissions
- ◆ **Good Friday:** April 10; offices closed, no classes
- ◆ **Easter:** April 12



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PROGRAM DATES AND DEADLINES

- ◆ **January 31:** Drop-add deadline; contact the ReDOC office
- ◆ **February 3:** PhD application deadline
- ◆ **February 15:** ThM graduation application deadline
- ◆ **March 2:** Dissertations, PhD graduation applications due for May graduation
- ◆ **March 4:** Summer directed study proposal deadline

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.

Oral Exam

Congratulations to Tommy Doughty (theology) for passing the oral comprehensive examination.

To schedule an oral exam, submit an [exam application](#) to the ReDOC office through your guidance committee chair no later than 2 weeks before the exam.



Library Acquisitions

Reference librarian Eric Benoy keeps us informed of newly acquired library resources each month. Check out the latest additions in your area.

- [January 2020](#)



ReDOC Schedule for 2019-2020

The following are the ReDOC meetings for 2019–2020:

- February 12 (1/13 IRB)**
- March 11 (2/11 IRB;** summer directed studies)
- March 30—**Doctoral Admissions (DeMent Room, 9:00 a.m.)
- April 8 (3/9 IRB)**
- May 13 (4/13 IRB;** fall directed studies)
- June 3 (5/4 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 **11 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.

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

<p><u>International Society for Biblical Literature</u></p> <p>July 5-9, 2020</p> <p>University of Adelaide, Australia</p> <p>Deadline: January 29</p>	<p><u>SE Evangelical Theological Society</u></p> <p>“The Trinity and Hebrews”</p> <p>March 20-21, 2020</p> <p>Anderson University Anderson, SC</p> <p>Deadline: February 15</p>	<p><u>Society of Biblical Literature</u></p> <p>November 21-24, 2020</p> <p>Hynes Convention Center Boston, MA</p> <p>Deadline: March 11</p>	<p><u>Evangelical Philosophical Society</u></p> <p>“Christianity and Islam”</p> <p>November 17-19, 2020</p> <p>Providence, RI</p> <p>Deadline: April 15, 3:59 PM CST</p>
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Spring 2020 Meetings

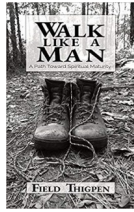
<p><u>SE Commission on Religious Studies</u></p> <p>“Rapid Religious Cultural Change”</p> <p>February 28-March 1, 2020</p> <p>University of Georgia</p> <p>Athens, GA</p>	<p><u>SW Commission on Religious Studies</u></p> <p>“Religion in Crisis”</p> <p>February 28-March 1, 2020</p> <p>Dallas Marriott Las Colinas Hotel</p> <p>Irving, TX</p>	<p><u>SE Evangelical Theological Society</u></p> <p>“The Trinity and Hebrews”</p> <p>March 20-21, 2020</p> <p>Anderson University</p> <p>Anderson, SC</p>	<p><u>SW Evangelical Theological Society</u></p> <p>“The Problem of Evil”</p> <p>March 20-21, 2020</p> <p>Dallas Theological Seminary</p> <p>Dallas, TX</p>
<p><u>Baptist Association of Christian Educators</u></p> <p>“True North: Navigating Culture without Sinking the Church”</p> <p>April 16-17, 2020</p> <p>Forest Hills Baptist Church</p> <p>Nashville, TN</p>	<p><u>National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion</u></p> <p>May 18-20, 2020</p> <p>Baylor University</p> <p>Waco, TX</p>	<p><u>Baptist History and Heritage Society</u></p> <p>“Baptists and Public Advocacy”</p> <p>May 28-29, 2020</p> <p>Samford University</p> <p>Birmingham, AL</p>	

Hollingsworth, Andrew (theology, 2018). "Wolfhart Pannenberg's Semiotic Doctrine of the Church: A Peircean Corrective." *Neue Zeitschrift für Systematische Theologie und Religionsphilosophie*. Forthcoming.



Publications

Hough, Casey (biblical interpretation, 2019). "Christians Are Called to Counter Anti-Semitism—and All Hatred—with Hospitality." Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, January 2020; [author's resources](#).



Thigpen, Field (biblical interpretation). *Walk Like a Man: A Path toward Spiritual Maturity*. Athens, GA: College and Clayton Press, 2019.

Calls for Papers

American Baptist Quarterly (ABQ) is the peer-reviewed journal of the American Baptist Historical Society. Both established and emerging scholars are invited to submit papers written from original research. Articles and essays should be between 6,000 and 9,000 words. If you are interested in submitting a paper for one of the upcoming issues, please contact editor Curtis Freeman (CFreeman@div.duke.edu) as soon as possible.



The following are proposal deadlines and issue themes:

March 1, 2020	The Fundamentalist Fight in the Northern Baptist Convention (Expanded Call below)
March 1, 2020	Christian Responses to Global Warming
May 1, 2020	The Vocation of Christian Laypeople
June 1, 2020	Seeing the Sacred in a Secular Society

“Fundamentalism and the Baptists, 1900-1950”

A Call for Articles for the *American Baptist Quarterly*

The fundamentalist movement is 100 years old, and there is perhaps no group of American Christians that has been more affected than the Baptists. See, for example, the battles over fundamentalism in the Northern Baptist Convention in the 1920s, the various fundamentalist Baptist denominations that have emerged in the past century, and the fundamentalist takeover of the Southern Baptist Convention in the 1980s.

This issue of the *American Baptist Quarterly* solicits articles on fundamentalism and the Baptists in the first half of the twentieth century. Articles should be historical explorations of the origins, nature, and/or impact of early fundamentalism among Baptists, as well as examinations of seminal figures, groups, events, and ideas pertaining to Baptist fundamentalism (and anti-fundamentalism).

Articles should be between 5,000 and 8,000 words in length (notes included), double-spaced, 12-point font, with notes gathered at the end of the manuscript (and no bibliography). Citations must conform to the 16th edition of the *Chicago Manual of Style*. Please submit proposed articles by March 01, 2020 to ABQ Associate Editor William Trollinger (wtrollinger1@udayton.edu), who also welcomes inquiries.



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, 2020)
- 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.

All online applications are due by February 1, 2020

Questions? Contact the Director of Strategic Partnerships for Doctoral Initiatives, [Patrick B. Reyes](#).

Mercersburg Society Roth Prize

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@lancasterseminary.edu
 Submissions for 2020 must be received by May 20, 2020.

Tel Hadid 2020

June 14-July 3
\$750* 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 Tel Aviv University

The Project: Participate in the excavation of an ancient city that was resettled by the Assyrians after the fall of Jerusalem in 722 BC. The site also was home to the Hebrew people who returned to Israel after the exile (Ezra 2:33; Nehemiah 7:37, 11:34).

Dates: June 14-July 3, 2020. Volunteers should plan to arrive no later than June 12, and those working all three weeks should plan departures for July 4 or after.

Cost: \$2,100 for the 3-week season, or \$750 per week (extra days: \$100/day) + airfare. Costs cover room and board. Weekend travel fee is \$50/person/day, and participants are responsible for meals during the tours. 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. The weekend travel cost is \$50/person/day.

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 9 semester hours is available. Standard tuition and fees apply. For details, contact Dr. Dennis Cole (rdcole@nobts.edu).

**\$750/week
 + airfare**

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