



Congratulations, PhD Graduates!

Congratulations to the following students who will receive the PhD degree on December 14, 2019:

Keenan Braden (Christian ed.), “An Examination of Intentional Christian Community Engagement among Single Adults and Its Role in Discipleship within Large Southern Baptist Churches in Alabama”

Matthew Bryant (theology), “Constructing a Theology of Prayer: Andrew Fuller’s (1754-1815) Belief and Practice of Prayer”

Maggie Fredericks (Christian ed.), “The Influence of Parents and Sunday School Teachers on the Spiritual Well-Being of Preteens in Selected Southern Baptist Churches”

Casey Hough (biblical interpretation), “To Him Be the Glory in the Church: A Theological Reading of Ephesians in Light of Zechariah 8”

Ashley Jamison (counselor education and supervision), “The Impact of Views of Suffering on Trauma and Emotion Regulation”

Linda Littlefield (counselor education and supervision), “Adverse Childhood Experiences and Emotional Intelligence as Predictors of Pastoral Ability to Recognize and Assess Relationship Abuse”

Chris McElmurray (biblical interpretation), “The Conquest of Joshua in the Narrative Substructure of Revelation”

Mario Melendez (biblical interpretation), “Covenant Evocations in Habakkuk”

Michael Reed (Christian ed.), “Reading Behavior and Bible Reading Frequency among Evangelical Emerging Adults”

Pat Sanders (New Testament), “Using Decision Tree Analysis and Modeling in the Paleographic Dating of Ancient Greek Manuscripts”

Chris Shaffer (theology), “Social Justice in Pursuit of Shalom: Finding a Framework for Evangelical Efforts for Social Justice in Dialogue with John Paul II”

Obbie Todd (theology), “The Atonement in the Writings of Richard Furman (1755-1825)”

Matt Williams (missions), “An Analysis of Key Developments in the Ministry of the Indonesian Baptist Mission Which Culminated in the 1971 Tretes Decision for ‘A New Pattern of Work’”

Ai Yoshida (counselor education and supervision), “Korean Attitudes Toward Seeking Professional Mental Health Services: A Comparison of Koreans Who Attend Evangelical Churches and Non-Christian Koreans”

Congratulations, ThM

Congratulations to the following students who will receive the Master of Theology degree on December 14, 2019:

Jonathan Borland (New Testament)

Kevin Cox (biblical interpretation)

Michael Hogeland (biblical exposition)

Lindsay Holder (missions)

Justin Phillips (counselor education and supervision)

Dustin Rigsby (New Testament)

Tim Watson (counselor education and supervision)

Patrick Weaver (evangelism)

Matt Williams (missions)

Russell Zwerner (biblical exposition)



UPCOMING EVENTS!

- ◆ **December 14:** Graduation
- ◆ **December 20-January 1:** Christmas break; no classes, offices closed (noon, Dec. 20)
- ◆ **January 6-10:** Prospectus Development
- ◆ **January 8-10:** Qualifying Exams
- ◆ **January 14-16:** Introduction to Doctoral Research and Writing
- ◆ **January 14-17:** Teaching in Higher Education
- ◆ **January 16:** Qualifying Exam results due to ReDOC office by noon
- ◆ **January 20:** Martin Luther King Day; offices closed, no classes
- ◆ **January 21:** Spring semester begins



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PROGRAM DATES AND DEADLINES

- ◆ **December 14:** Graduation
- ◆ **January 3:** Tuition deadline for Prospectus Development
- ◆ **January 13:** Tuition deadline for Introduction to Research & Writing and Teaching in Higher Education
- ◆ **January 14:** Deadline for incoming students to submit proof of completion of prerequisites
- ◆ **January 17:** Tuition deadline for spring 2020 semester

Oral Exams

Congratulations to the following students for passing the oral comprehensive examination.

- Joshua Johnson (biblical exposition)
- Robby Ridgeway (Great Commission Studies)

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.



ReDOC Schedule for 2019-2020

The following are the ReDOC meetings for 2019–2020:

- January 22** (no prospectuses)
- 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.**

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.



Calls for Papers

SW Regional ETS Meeting

March 20-21, 2020

“The Problem of Evil”

Dallas Theological Seminary

Deadline: January 20

Baptist History and Heritage Society

May 28-29, 2020

“Baptists and Public Advocacy”

Samford University

Deadline: January 15



2020 Meetings

SW Regional ETS Meeting

“The Problem of Evil”

March 20-21, 2020

Dallas Theological Seminary

Dallas, TX

SW Regional SBL Meeting

“Religion in Crisis”

February 28-March 1, 2020

Dallas Marriott Las Colinas Hotel

Irving, TX

Baptist History and Heritage Society

“Baptists and Public Advocacy”

May 28-29, 2020

Samford University

Birmingham, AL

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:

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| 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@uadelaide.edu.au), who also welcomes inquiries.

International SBL Call for Papers

The [call for papers](#) for the 2020 annual meeting of the International Society for Biblical Literature is open now through **January 29, 2020**. The July 5-9 session will be held at the University of Adelaide in Adelaide, Australia.





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



Plan to join the Tel Hadid Expedition next year!

June 14-July 3, 2020

