

NOBTS ReDOC News
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March 2 dissertation submissions

If you are planning to submit your dissertation by the March 2 deadline, please send an email to the ReDOC Office and download the following forms from the ReDOC area of the seminary Web site.

- Dissertation Fee and Order Form
- Graduation Application
- ThM Graduation Application (if not previously received)
- Graduation Checklist
- Dissertation Processing Notebook

As a reminder, dissertation and graduation fees are due upon submission of your dissertation. If you have any questions, please contact the ReDOC office.

FirstSearch and ProQuest

NOBTS students and faculty have access to two dissertation search services: FirstSearch and ProQuest. To access these services, do the following:

- 1.Go to the NOBTS homepage and select Library.
- 2.Select “FirstSearch and Other Databases.”
- 3.Choose ProQuest or FirstSearch.
- 4.The ProQuest password is [contact the ReDOC office]. The FirstSearch authorization number is [contact the ReDOC office], and the password is [contact the ReDOC office].

Please remember that this service is for NOBTS faculty and registered students only.

Contact information updates

Updating your information in IQ Web does not update our information system. If you have moved or changed your e-mail address or phone number, please send that updated information to the ReDOC office.

Job Assistance for PhD Graduates

As a reminder, we have dedicated an area of our Web page to post graduates’ and soon-to-be graduates’ resumes for other institutions to view. This service is voluntary but highly suggested. Once a semester, the link to the Web page will be e-mailed to a large group of Academic Deans from other colleges, graduate schools, and seminaries for their viewing. If you are interested in having your resume posted on our Web page, please submit your resume, using the template, to us via e-mail at phd@nobts.edu. The resume template can be found under “Miscellaneous” on our “Program Materials” page (<http://www.nobts.edu/research/Program%20Materials.html>).

Greer-Heard Point-Counterpoint Forum

The Greer-Heard Point-Counterpoint Forum: “Pluralism: Is Christianity the Only True Religion” will be held March 27-28, 2009 at NOBTS. The program will feature a debate between Paul Knitter (Paul Tillich Professor of Theology, World Religions and Culture at Union Theological Seminary in New York, NY) and Harold Netland (Professor of Philosophy of Religion and Intercultural Studies and Chair of Missions at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School). Additional speakers include Douglas Geivett, S. Mark Heim, Terrence W. Tilley, Keith Yandell, and Millard Erickson. To register, visit www.greer-heard.com.

Fund for Theological Education

African-American Doctoral Fellowship -- Recipients will receive a stipend of up to \$18,000. In addition, recipients will attend FTE’s Doctoral Conference on June 5-7, 2009 and will receive a travel stipend to attend the annual meetings of AAR and SBL. Eligible applicants must be African-Americans preparing to enter their first year in a PhD program and giving strong consideration to teaching or conducting research in a theological school. The application deadline is **March 1, 2009**.

North American Doctoral Fellowship -- Recipients will receive a stipend ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000. FTE also provides recipients with networking support by maintaining regular contact and acting as an advocate for them in their profession. Eligible applicants must be a member of a racial or ethnic group that traditionally is underrepresented in graduate education, be enrolled full-time in a PhD program, US or Canadian citizen, and demonstrate a commitment to teaching and scholarship. The application deadline is **March 1, 2009**.

For more information about these fellowships, please visit the FTE Web site at www.thefund.org.

Program dates/deadlines (also see research doctoral dates and deadlines on seminary Web site)

February 25, 2009–Deadline for submission of summer directed study proposals
March 2, 2009–Dissertation submission deadline
March 16-20, 2009–Spring Break
April 1, 2009–Qualifying Exam application submission deadline
April 1, 2009–Research proposal submission deadline
April 29, 2009–Deadline for submission of fall directed study proposals
May 15, 2009–Research proposal approval deadline

ReDOC schedule for 2008-9

The following are the remaining ReDOC meetings for the 2008-9 academic year:
March 4 (summer directed study proposals)

March 30 (Doctoral Admissions)
April 1
May 6 (fall directed study proposals)
May 20 (11:30 AM)

A prospectus to be considered by ReDOC must be reviewed by your guidance committee and **11** copies submitted through your chairperson to the Office of Research Doctoral Programs no later than one week before the scheduled ReDOC meeting.

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.

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.

Upcoming Scholarly Meetings

The Annual Regional Meeting of the Southwest Commission on Religious Studies will be held March 6-8, 2009 in Dallas, TX. For more information, visit the SWCRS Web site at www.swcrs-online.org.

The Southwest Regional Meeting of EPS will be held March 27-28, 2009 in conjunction with the Greer-Heard Point-Counterpoint Forum at NOBTS. For more information, visit the EPS Web site at www.epsociety.org.

The Southwest Regional ETS Meeting will be held March 27-28, 2009 at Criswell College in Dallas, TX. For more information, please visit the ETS Web site at www.etsjets.org.

The Southeast Regional ETS Meeting will be held April 3-4, 2009 at Temple Baptist Seminary in Chattanooga, TN. For more information, please visit the ETS Web site at www.etsjets.org.

The 2009 Annual ETS Meeting will be held November 18-20, 2009 in New Orleans, LA. For more information, please visit the ETS Web site at www.etsjets.org.

The Annual SBL Meeting will be held November 20-24, 2009 in New Orleans, LA. For more information, visit the SBL Web site at www.sbl-site.org.

Upcoming events (see details above)

March 6-8, 2009—Annual Meeting of the Southwest Commission on Religious Studies, Dallas, TX

March 27-28, 2009—Greer-Heard Point-Counterpoint Forum, NOBTS
March 27-28, 2009—Southwest Regional EPS Meeting, NOBTS
March 27-28, 2009—Southwest Regional ETS Meeting, Dallas, TX

April 3-4, 2009—Southeast Regional ETS Meeting, Chattanooga, TN

November 18-20, 2009—Annual ETS Meeting, New Orleans, LA
November 20-24, 2009—Annual SBL Meeting, New Orleans, LA

Scholarly writings and presentations of students, faculty, and alumni

The following presentations will be held at the 2009 SWCRS regional meeting.

Jeffrey Farmer (evangelism, 2007), “Church Revitalization through Church Planting: A Statistical Analysis of Church Planting Sponsorship in Southern Baptist Churches,” a paper to be presented on March 8, 2009.

Mark Gstohl (theology, 2001), “Drunkards, Communists, and Mickey Mouse: An Examination of Social Issues Addressed by Resolutions of the Southern Baptist Convention,” a paper to be presented on March 7, 2009.

As president of the SW AAR, presiding over AAR plenary address “Global Rebellion: Religious Challenges to the Secular State” on March 7, 2009.

Presiding over AAR presidential plenary session “Reflections on Teaching and Learning” on March 8, 2009.

Renate Viveen Hood (NT, 2002), “Brood of Vipers or Family of Messiah? Kinship Language as Boundary Markers of the Matthean Christian Community in Matthew 12 and 16,” a paper to be presented on March 8, 2009.

Presiding over SBL session “The Gospel of Mark” on March 7, 2009.

Lourdes Yajaira Rincón (NT, 2003), “What Archaeology Tells Us about Paul’s Synagogues,” a paper to be presented on March 8, 2009.

“Paul, Synagogues, and Christ the Benefactor,” a paper to be presented on March 8, 2009.

Viktor Roudkovski (NT, 2004), “Praising Christ in the Book of Hebrews: When Hymns Must Give Way to Encomia.”

Students and faculty are encouraged to e-mail the office of Research Doctoral Programs concerning completed publications and presentations. We also would like students to e-mail us about academic teaching assignments (institution, course).