

**NOBTS ReDOC News**  
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**The following students passed the  
Oral Comprehensive Examination:**

Billy Puckett (theology)  
Sammy Sabine (psychology and counseling)

**The following prospectus has been approved  
by the doctoral guidance committee:**

Angie Bauman (Christian education), "Distinguishing Characteristics of  
Evangelistic Youth Ministries in Southern Baptist Churches"

**Research proposals due April 1**

In order to attend RDOC9303 Prospectus Development **June 15-19, 2009**, a student must submit 4 copies of the research proposal to the guidance committee chairperson on or before **April 1, 2009**. The guidance committee chairperson will enlist two division readers in addition to the second member of the guidance committee, and the student will need to work with the chairperson to make any revisions before the document is approved. A Research Proposal Report form indicating approval and 2 copies of the finalized document must be received by the ReDOC office no later than **May 15, 2009**.

If you submit a proposal April 1, please notify the ReDOC office so that we can send you a syllabus for the course. Students submitting proposals should register for the course during May 18-June 1 online registration.

**Qualifying Exam Application Deadline**

If you plan to take the qualifying examination **August 5-7, 2009**, you must submit an application form signed by your faculty advisor to the ReDOC office by **April 1**. Applications are available in the "Program Materials" section of the ReDOC Web page and in the ReDOC office.

Students who will have completed 4 seminars and 2 colloquia (plus any additional major requirements) by the end of the spring 2009 semester are eligible to take the exam. Students who will have completed 5 seminars must pass the exam before taking additional seminars.

## Fall directed study proposals

If you would like to do a directed study this fall and have not contacted the ReDOC office for guidelines concerning preparation and chain of approval, please do so as soon as possible. In order to have a directed study proposal for fall considered by ReDOC at their May 6 meeting, 11 copies of the proposal must be submitted to the ReDOC office by **April 29**.

## Sidney E. Mead Prize

The Sidney E. Mead Prize, offered through the American Society of Church History, is awarded annually to the author of the best unpublished essay in any field of church history. Candidates must be a doctoral candidate or recent graduate. The winning author will receive \$300 and their essay will be published in the society's journal, *Church History*. All entries must be submitted by **July 1, 2009**. For more information, visit the ASCH Web site at [www.churchhistory.org](http://www.churchhistory.org).

## 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](mailto: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](http://www.greer-heard.com).

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

### **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 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 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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://www.sbl-site.org).

### **Upcoming events (see details above)**

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 given at the 2009 Southeastern Regional ETS Meeting in Chattanooga, TN on April 3-4.

Doug Burlison (New Testament), "A Pathetic Description of the Law's Enemies: The Catena of Romans 3:10-18"

Delio DelRio (New Testament), "The True Passover Lamb: An Intertextual Exploration of the Prologye of John and Targum Neofiti Exodus 12:42"

Justin Langford (New Testament), "The Agnus Dei in John's Gospel and Other Literature: Towards Dating the Integration of Passover and Forgiveness of Sins"

*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).*