



ReDOC Scheduling Task Force

A 12-person committee is studying nontraditional PhD scheduling in an effort to explore ways to minimize on-campus sessions while maximizing opportunities for students to take minor seminars. In addition to seeking opinions from faculty and administration, we will be asking you to complete a brief survey regarding seminar format, scheduling, and your seminar experience. Watch for upcoming information via e-mail.

Prospectus, Directed Study Submissions Include Pdf

Are you ready to submit your prospectus or directed study for ReDOC to review? If so, please send us your document in pdf format. For a prospectus, submit 7 hard copies of the document also.



UPCOMING EVENTS!

- ◆ September 23: CE Applicant Interviews
- ◆ October 3: Local Entrance Exams
- ◆ October 13: Nonlocal Entrance Exams
- ◆ October 14: Applicant Interviews
- ◆ October 17-21: Fall Break



ReDOC Schedule for 2011-12

The following are the ReDOC meetings for 2011-2012:

October 5, 2011 (spring directed study proposals)

October 31, 2011 (Doctoral Admissions)

November 2, 2011

***December 7, 2011**

January 18, 2012 (no prospectuses)

February 1, 2012

March 7, 2012 (summer directed study proposals)

April 2, 2012 (Doctoral Admissions)

April 4, 2012

May 2, 2012 (fall directed study proposals)

May 16, 2012 (11:30 AM)

A prospectus to be considered by ReDOC must be reviewed by your guidance committee and 7 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.

****For the December ReDOC meeting, the submission deadline is November 16 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.***

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**PROGRAM DATES
AND DEADLINES**

- ◆ October 3:
Dissertation and
PhD graduation
application deadline
- ◆ November 1:
Qualifying Exam
Application Deadline
- ◆ November 1:
Research Proposal
Submission Deadline
(to Guidance
Committee)
- ◆ December 16:
Research Proposal
Approval Deadline



Directed Study Proposals

Students who will have completed the qualifying exam by the Spring 2012 semester are eligible to take a directed study. If you are considering doing a directed study, you will need to make a preliminary inquiry with the professor with whom you would like to study and then drop by the ReDOC office for information about how to submit a proposal.

Proposals for directed studies to be taken in the Spring 2012 semester must be submitted to the ReDOC Office in pdf format by Wednesday, September 28 for consideration at the October 5 ReDOC meeting.

Dissertation Submissions



Dissertations and PhD graduation applications are due by Monday, October 3 in anticipation of December 17 graduation.

All paperwork for graduation can be found on the [Program Materials page](#) of the ReDOC section of the seminary Web site. Items needed include

- Graduation Application
- Dissertation Fee and Order Form

- UMI booklet (to be submitted with final copies)
- Dissertation Processing Notebook

Be sure to include a check made out to NOBTS for the total amount you indicate on the Dissertation Fee and Order Form. You will receive one bound copy from the four final copies you submit. You may order additional copies for \$30 each. This is the only opportunity to get your dissertation in this bound format.

**Spring, Summer 2012
Online Registration:**

November 1-15



Graduation Regalia

Students participating in graduation should see William at the LifeWay campus bookstore to order a cap and gown. The deadlines for ordering regalia are

- Friday, October 7: [purchase](#)
- Friday, November 11: [rental](#)

Follow the links above for order forms.

**The Following Prospectus
Was Approved:**

Jonathan Denton (Christian education),
“An Examination of the Relationship
between the Faith Development of Ado-
lescent Males and Selected Models of
Family Ministry”

Address Changes?

If you have changed your address, phone, or e-mail address, please inform the ReDOC Office. We are not on the seminary's PowerCampus system, so informing only the seminary will cause you to miss important communications from the ReDOC Office.

**Tulane University Fall 2011
Public Lecture Series**

The Catherine and Henry J. Gaisman Memorial Lecture will present

LUKE TIMOTHY JOHNSON

“Early Christians and Gentile Religion: A New Approach”

October 27, 2011, 7:00 PM

Dr. Johnson is the R. W. Woodruff Professor of New Testament and Christian Origins, Candler School of Theology, Emory University. His books include

- *Among the Gentiles: Greco-Roman Religion and Christianity* (Yale, 2010)
- *The Writings of the New Testament*, 3d ed. (Fortress, 2010)



*Lectures are in the Myra Clare Rogers Memorial Chapel, Newcomb Campus of Tulane University
1229 Broadway*

Free and open to the public.

Scholarly Society Meetings

Evangelical Homiletics Society

Annual Meeting

“Connecting Preaching with Worship”

October 13-15, 2011

at

Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
in
Hamilton, MA



Association of Youth Ministry Educators

Annual Meeting

October 22-24, 2011

at

Courtyard Seattle Downtown/Lake Union
in
Seattle, WA

Evangelical Philosophical Society

Annual Meeting

November 16-18, 2011

at

Marriott Marquis & Parc 55 Wyndham
San Francisco, CA

Evangelical Theological Society

Annual Meeting

“No Other Name”

November 16-18, 2011

at

Marriott Marquis & Parc 55 Wyndham
San Francisco, CA

Society of Biblical Literature

Annual Meeting

November 19-22, 2011

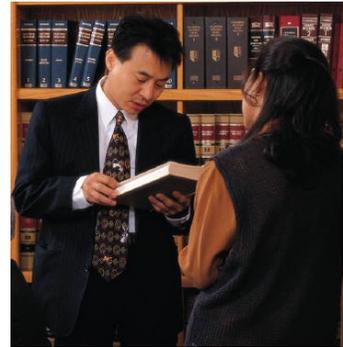
at

Marriott Marquis & Parc 55 Wyndham
San Francisco, CA

Changes in the Doctoral Manual

The following sections in the [Manual for Research Doctoral Programs](#) have been updated:

- IV.D. Library Policies references online policies, which replaced the former library manual.
- IV.E. Library Carrels has been amended to allow incoming students to secure carrels the week before classes begin now that new student orientation is being moved to an online activity.



Publications and Presentations

Publication



Loretta Rivers, “Baptist Centers: Influences and Education,” *Baptist History and Heritage Journal* (forthcoming, 2011).

Presentations

Loretta Rivers, “Baptist Centers: Influences and Education,” presentation for the Baptist History and Heritage Society Annual Conference, Dallas, TX, May 2011; “Grief and Loss.” Presentations for the Department of Children and Family Services, Baton Rouge and Alexandria, LA, 2011.

New Student Orientation

We are making progress in developing an online orientation that will be available soon through Blackboard. New students, we will e-mail you when the orientation goes live.

In addition to going through the video materials, you will need to complete a couple of brief surveys to help us analyze the strengths of the PhD program and make improvements where needed.

If you have any questions in the meantime, e-mail us at phd@nobts.edu or give us a call at 1-800-NOBTS-01, ext. 8010 or (504) 816-8010.



Fellowships and Grants



The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation

The [*Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships*](#) support the final year of dissertation work for Ph.D. candidates in the humanities and social sciences. Eligible proposals have religious or ethical values as a central concern and are relevant to the solution of contemporary religious, cultural, or human rights questions. The stipend for this year will be \$25,000 for a twelve-month period of dissertation writing. The proposal submission deadline is **November 15, 2011**.

AAR International Dissertation Research Grants Program

The International Dissertation Research Grants Program is designed to support AAR student members whose dissertation research requires them to travel outside of the country in which their school or university is located. Grants are intended to help candidates complete their doctoral degrees by offsetting costs of travel, lodging, and other dissertation research-related expenses. Two \$5,000 grants will be given for the 2011-2012 academic year. To be eligible, applicants must have been AAR student members for at least 2 years and must have completed all doctoral requirements for the doctoral degree except the dissertation. Applicants must submit a letter of application that describes their research project and how support for on-site research is critical for the completion of their dissertation; current curriculum vitae; proposed budget and project timeline; and letter of support from their dissertation supervisor. For more information and to download the application, please visit the [AAR Web site](#). **Application deadline: December 1, 2011.**

SBHLA Lynn E. May Jr. Study Grant

The Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, Council of Seminary Presidents, sponsors a program whereby funds are made available periodically for partial support of research in the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives. The grants provide a maximum of \$750. The grants are in memory of Lynn E. May Jr., who served as Executive Director of the Historical Commission from 1971 to 1995 and who has been instrumental in the establishment of the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives. Graduate students, college and seminary professors, historians, and other writers may apply for the grants. An application is available for download on the SBHLA [Web site](#). Applications should be submitted to Bill Sumners, SBHLA director, **by April 1, 2012**.