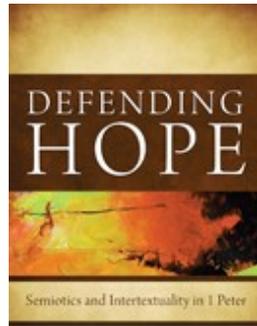




## *Defending Hope Now Available*

Congratulations to Justin Langford (New Testament, 2012) on the publication of *Defending Hope: Semiotics and Intertextuality in 1 Peter* (Wipf and Stock, 2013), based on his dissertation research. Drop by the ReDOC office for your signed copy (hurry while supplies last!).



JUSTIN LANGFORD

## *Welcome, New Students!*

The following students were accepted into the PhD program beginning in summer 2013:

- Billy Benson (theology)
- Bill DuVall (psych/coun.)
- Maggie Fredericks (Christian ed.)
- Les Jensen (New Testament)
- Justin Kelly (psych/coun.)
- Dan Martin (Christian ed.)
- Chris McElmurray (biblical interp.)
- April Pressley (Christian ed.)
- Andrea Robinson (biblical interp.)
- Patricia Sanders (New Testament)
- Clayr Simnacher (psych/coun.)
- Wade Stevens (biblical interp.)
- Keith Taylor (preaching)
- Scott Thomas (evangelism)
- Steven Voss (psych/coun.)
- Mike Wilburn (Christian ed.)

## *Introduction to Research and Writing*

Beginning in the summer of 2013, the Introduction to Research and Writing course (RDOC9300) will be offered in summer and January sessions. The Tuesday through Thursday format will provide the same 24 hours of seat time as in the semester-long format but in a condensed time frame that allows incoming students full exposure to research design and writing skills before their first seminar.

Discussions are underway regarding similar scheduling for the teaching methods course. CE students also will begin to take colloquia in a summer format that will free more time to concentrate on seminar research during the semester.

The course will begin with a program orientation, in response to student feedback from online orientation. The online orientation will remain available throughout the semester for ongoing reference.

## *May 15-31 Registration for Summer and Fall Courses*

Registration for Summer and Fall 2013 terms tentatively is scheduled for May 15-31. As soon as the fall schedule is finalized, it will be posted online and e-mailed to all students. Incoming students will receive paper registration forms, and returning students will register online through SelfServe.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

- ◆ **May 15-31:** Registration for summer, fall
- ◆ **May 18:** Graduation
- ◆ **June 3-7:** Prospectus Development
- ◆ **June 11-12:** Southern Baptist Convention in Houston
- ◆ **July 4:** Independence Day (offices closed)
- ◆ **July 30-August 1:** Intro to Research and Writing
- ◆ **July 31-August 2:** Qualifying Exams



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- ◆ **April 24:** Fall IDS Submission Deadline
- ◆ **May 3:** Dissertation final copies due
- ◆ **May 15-31:** Online registration for Summer and Fall 2012 sessions
- ◆ **May 17:** Research Proposals and approvals due to ReDOC
- ◆ **June 1:** Prospectus approval deadline for October 1 dissertation submission



IF YOU HAVE MOVED OR CHANGED YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER, PLEASE SEND THAT UPDATED INFORMATION TO THE REDOC OFFICE.

### Upcoming Presentation

Ron Hawkins and Ian Jones, “Biblical Counseling and Spiritual Formation Network–The New Christian Counselor: A Fresh Biblical and Transformational Approach,” American Association of Christian Counselors World Conference, September 11, 2013, Nashville, TN

### Oral Exams

Congratulations to the following students who passed the Oral Comprehensive Examination:

- Josh Burnham (Old Testament)
- Stephen O’Neal (Christian education)

### Publication

Greg Wilton (missions, 2012), “Are We All Missionaries? Redefining the Mission for All Believers,” *Evangelical Missions Quarterly* 49, no. 2 (April 2013): 134-35.

### 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 1 meeting, e-mail a pdf of the proposal to the ReDOC office at [phd@nobts.edu](mailto:phd@nobts.edu) by

**Wednesday, April 24.** Be sure to submit a hard copy of the proposal approval page with appropriate signatures from the directed study professor and your guidance committee. The template for the approval page is posted at

<http://www.nobts.edu/resources/pdf/ReDoc/DirectedStudyApprovalForm.pdf>

### ReDOC Schedule for 2012-2013

The following are the remaining ReDOC meetings for 2012-2013:

**May 1, 2013** (fall directed study proposals)

**June 5, 2013** (11:30 AM)

A prospectus to be considered by ReDOC must be reviewed by your guidance committee and 8 copies submitted through your chairperson to the Office of Research Doctoral Programs

no later than one week before the scheduled ReDOC meeting. Also e-mail a pdf of the document to [phd@nobts.edu](mailto:phd@nobts.edu)

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.

E-mail a pdf of your directed study proposal to [phd@nobts.edu](mailto:phd@nobts.edu) but submit a hard copy approval page.

NOTE: If you think your guidance committee has approved your prospectus but you have not seen your approval in the *ReDOC News*, please let us know.



## *Sprechen Sie Deutsch?*

Providence Learning Center will offer classes in theological German again this summer on the following schedule:

German 1: June 3-21

German 2: July 1-19

These continuing education courses prepare students to take the German exam administered through the ReDOC office for PhD program application or for second nonbiblical language certification for Old and New Testament majors.

Classes meet 9 AM-1 PM daily. Tuition for each session is \$500. To register, contact J. P. Cox at [jpcox@nobts.edu](mailto:jpcox@nobts.edu) or NOBTS ext. 8442. To schedule a German exam, contact the ReDOC office.



If you read this note, e-mail [phd@nobts.edu](mailto:phd@nobts.edu) by 4/26/13 to be entered in a drawing for a box of Girl Scout cookies!

## *New PhD Major: Great Commission Studies*

At their April 16-17 meeting, the Trustees of NOBTS approved a new PhD major in Great Commission Studies that will consist of seminars and colloquia in both missions and evangelism, which are offered on a modified block schedule. The purpose of Great Commission Studies is to prepare students in missions and evangelism to be equipped and teach others in taking the gospel to the ends of the earth.

Requirements for the Great Commission Studies major are the following:

- 3 evangelism seminars
- 3 missions seminars
- 2 elective seminars
- 2 supervised reading colloquia in evangelism
- 2 supervised reading colloquia in missions

The entrance examination, qualifying examination, and oral comprehensive examination will be prepared and approved by evangelism and missions faculty.

The new major will be in addition to the existing majors in evangelism and missions.

## 2013 Scholarly Society Meetings



**Baptist History & Heritage Society**

**Annual Meeting**

“Faith, Freedom, Forgiveness: Religion and the Civil War, Emancipation and Reconciliation in Our Time ”

May 20-22, 2013  
Richmond, VA

**American Association of Christian Counselors**

**World Conference**

“Our Time Is Now”

September 11-14, 2013  
Opryland  
Nashville, TN

**Evangelical Homiletics Society**

**Annual Meeting**

“Spirit-Led Preaching”

October 17-19, 2013  
Talbot School of Theology  
La Mirada, CA

**Evangelical Theological Society**

***Annual Meeting***

“Evangelicalism, Inerrancy, and the Evangelical Theological Society: Retrospect and Prospect”

November 19-21, 2013  
Hilton Hotel  
Baltimore, MD

**Society of Biblical Literature**

***Annual Meeting***

November 23-26, 2013  
Baltimore, MD

**Evangelical Philosophical Society**

***Annual Meeting***

“Revelation and Authority”

November 23-26, 2013  
Baltimore, MD

## *Can You Dig It? The Gezer Water System Expedition 2013*

May 26-June 15, 2013

Sponsored by The Center for Archaeological Research at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

**The Project:** Participate in the excavation of an ancient Canaanite water system which could date to the time of Abraham.

**Dates:** May 26 - June 15, 2013. Volunteers should plan to arrive no later than May 25.

**Cost:** \$1,650 for the 3-week season, or \$550 per week + airfare. Costs cover room, board and week-end travel. Preference will be given to three-week participants. 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.

**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 6 semester hours is available. Additional tuition fees apply.

**More Information:** Contact

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