

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN TIMES

SPRING QUARTER, EXAM WEEK

All tuition, fees, and fines
should be paid before the
end of the quarter.



ACADEMIC REMINDERS

Exam Week – May 14-18
RPTS Commencement – May 18
Fall Book Orders – Due August 10
1st Day of Fall Classes – September 3



**ONSITE STUDENTS: Be sure to
clean out your student mailbox
prior to leaving for summer break.**

ACADEMIC NEWS

Final Exam Schedule: See last page.

Grades: Once your professor submits his grades, they will be immediately viewable through the student portal under the Student Records tab/Grade Report.

Important Alert to International Students: All international students should see Registrar Tom Reid before the end of the academic year, so that he can sign an extension on their I-20 forms. If you leave the USA without this extension, you will not be allowed back.

Student IDs: New Student IDs will be issued for the 2018-19 Academic year. If you would like your photo retaken, stop by the Seminary Office before summer break. Otherwise, we will use your existing photo.

Requesting Incompletes: Incompletes will not be routinely granted to any student who applies for one. Incompletes will only be granted in exceptional cases and for true emergencies, as determined by the professor. In order to request an Incomplete Grade, a Request for an Incomplete form (found under the RPTS Links tab in the portal) must be initiated and submitted by the student before the Friday of finals week in a quarter. A professor has the right to deny permission to receive an incomplete grade.

Mercy Practicum: An independent practicum is offered where, for each ten hours in a quarter you do visitation at the RP Home to encourage the elderly, you can earn one credit. You will receive coaching from Dr. York at the beginning of the term, provide informal oral reports during the term, and pray for those with whom you visit. The independent study fee for this practicum is waived. If interested in participating for the Fall quarter, contact [Dr. York](#) as soon as possible.

Preaching Practicum: In the Fall quarter, Dr. York will offer a one-credit independent preaching practicum. Students will study the sermons of John Chrysostom then discuss their homiletical effectiveness and how they would have to be changed to fit a modern context. If interested, email byork@rpts.edu for permission to sign up.

IMPORTANT - Auditing Spouses: If your spouse wants to audit a class, he/she MUST apply as an audit student. Once accepted, he/she can register for the course. Class locations are dependent on class size which is determined by the registration process. See [Ed Blackwood](#) for details.

Summer & Fall Quarter Financial Aid & Tuition Payments: If you have registered for the Summer or Fall Quarters and have received notification that your financial aid has been applied, your Estimated Tuition Worksheet is available on the web portal under the Financials tab. If you do not receive financial aid, your updated balance is available as soon as you register. Remember that tuition payments are due on or before the first day of class.

Payment Plan: Anyone not paying in full by the first class of the Fall Quarter must have a written payment plan arranged with the RPTS Office for payment as follows: 1/3 of tuition and fees payable by the first class of the quarter, 1/3 due on the 4th of the month following the start of the quarter, and 1/3 due on the 4th of the second month following the start of the quarter. When the payment plan is arranged with the Office, the student will sign a promissory note as documentation of the plan and promise to pay. Contact [Vicki Smith](#) to set up your payment plan.

**The use of a Payment Plan for any previous term does not imply that you have one for the new term.*

Note the following important Financial Aid Changes for 2018-2019:

⇒ Scholarships will not apply to courses that are being retaken (such as to replace a failed course or a low grade).

⇒ Financial aid will be awarded after the registration deadline each quarter, with the exception of the fall quarter in which aid will be awarded the first week in August. Aid awards will be checked again after the end of add/drop. Should you require your aid to be on your account prior to these dates, contact Sharon Sampson in the Financial Aid office. This new schedule is coordinated with the main office, so that aid is awarded before payment plans for the quarter are created.

Course Evaluations: You will be provided with course evaluation forms for each of your courses for the quarter. You will receive an email for each course which will give you a link to the evaluation form for each course. Completing these evaluations is required of all students. We value your feedback!

RPTS ACTIVITIES

RPTS Commencement will take place on May 18 at 7:00 pm at Memorial Park Church, 8800 Peebles Rd., Allison Park, PA 15101. Everyone is invited to attend and rejoice with your classmates.

Volunteers Needed for Commencement

Reception: Miriam York is looking for people to help serve and clean up the Commencement reception from 7:30-10 pm. Please contact Miriam at myork@rpts.edu to volunteer to assist.

The Westminster Conference will be held on Saturday, Sept. 8, at Memorial Park Church, 8800 Peebles Road, Allison Park. The theme of the conference is "Soundly Preaching the Word of God". The speakers are Dr. Joel Beeke, Dr. Ligon Duncan III, Dr. Edward (Ted) Donnelly, and Dr. Barry York. A special roundtable discussion will be held to answer questions from the audience. Reformation Heritage Books and Crown and Covenant will both have book tables.

☞ Registration for current RPTS students (and their spouse) who register by August 8 is \$10 each; those who register from August 9 to the conference, the cost is \$15 each. (Regular individual registration is \$30 through August 8, and \$45 from August 9).

☞ Lunch can be purchased for \$6.50 each, and includes a meatball sandwich, salad, cookie, and drink.

☞ [Register here](#). Cash or check only, please.

Lost & Found: All items will be discarded after May 18, so check the bin in the laundry room for your lost belongings.

Refrigerator: If you have food in the large silver refrigerator in the kitchen, take it with you at the end of the quarter. Any food left behind will be discarded.

Note: Please do not rotate the spigot on the water fountain. It breaks the spigot and gets the President wet!



Library Note: Pay all Library IOUs and fines before this Friday. Graduates with outstanding liabilities will not be given a real diploma at graduation.

CHAPEL SCHEDULE

Chapel will not be held during exam week.

NEWS FROM STUDENTS

Weekly Activities:

- ⇒ Faculty/Student Prayer: Tuesdays at 1 pm in 2nd floor classroom
- ⇒ Bite Sized Theology: Wednesdays at 12:20 pm (order lunch in Office by Monday if desired)
- ⇒ World Missions Prayer Time: Fridays at 1:30 pm in the chapel.

Congratulations!

On May 3, 2018, at the 2018 City-Wide Revival, Jonas McLeod was presented a Scholarship of Achievement from the Baptist Ministers Conference of Pittsburgh and Vicinity.



Presbytery exam news from Great Lakes-Gulf Presbytery:

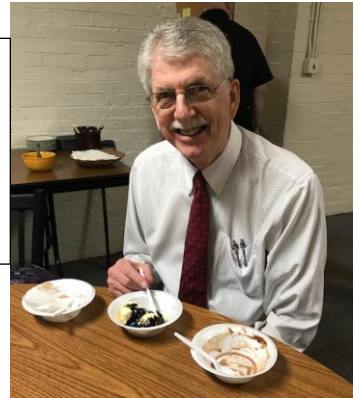
1. Joel Hart : Passed ordination exams (preaching/systematics/godliness)
2. Andrew Battiatto : Passed Systematics 1 and was Licensed to Preach
3. Zach Smith : Passed Expository Sermon and Systematics 1
4. Jay Dharan : Passed Personal Godliness

BREAKING BREAD TOGETHER

EXAM WEEK: Lunch will be served ONLY for dorm students and faculty.

Dr. O'Neill enjoys his third bowl of ice cream at his ice cream party.

(This picture was NOT staged!)



edDad Joke of the week! So, Vicki Smith was monitoring a student taking an exam last week. I gave her some dice so she could be a Procter & Gamble.



RPTS 2018 SPRING EXAM SCHEDULE

514/18 - 5/18/18

DAY	START	END	COURSE	CREDITS	LOCATION	INSTRUCTOR
TUESDAY	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	CH23 Modern Church History ◊	3	MAIN	R. Gamble
	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	ST51 Westminster Confession** ◊	3	CHAPEL	J. Stivason
WEDNESDAY	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	ST33 Doctrine of the Church ◊	3	MAIN	R. Gamble
	6:00 PM	8:00 PM	MS23 Evangelism	3	CHAPEL	J. O'Neill
THURSDAY	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	NT03 Beginning Greek 3 ◊	2	CHAPEL	J. Kinneer
	10:15 AM	12:15 PM	ST13 Apologetics** ◊	3	2FLR	R. Gamble
FRIDAY	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	CH31 Reformed Presbyterian History ◊	3	2FLR	T. Reid
	10:15 AM	12:15 PM	OT03 Elementary Hebrew 3 ◊	3	MAIN	C. Williams