

FOUNDATION INSTITUTE (JUNE 22-26, 2009)

Foundation President, Dr. John Morgan, will offer the Institute "*From Depth Psychology to Religious Humanism*" this June which may serve as either a Non-Project Option for students wishing to expedite the completion of their degree, or as two Units of Study toward a degree. The registration deadline is May 11, 2009, and a deposit is required.

Further information is available on the Foundation's website at www.gtfeducation.org. The *Institutes* page is linked from the bottom of the homepage.

BUDDHIST STUDIES PROGRAMS ANNOUNCED

In keeping with our broad commitment to religious and cultural pluralism in curriculum, faculty, and students, the Foundation is pleased to announce the establishment of a Bachelors, Masters, and Doctorate in Buddhist Studies. The Bachelor of Theology in Buddhist Studies and the Master of Theology in Buddhist Studies have been developed as venue-specific degree programs built upon the eighteen-course sequence taught online by the Asian Classical Institute in New York City. All are taught by Buddhists at the professional level of training. The Doctor of Philosophy in Buddhist Studies is venue-specific to the Namgyal Monastery Institute in Ithaca, New York, and requires both the bachelor's and master's degrees for admission. This is a completely residential program requiring three years of residency and a working knowledge of the Tibetan language before completing this course of study. Details for all three Buddhist Studies degree programs are on the Foundation's website.

GRADUATE PSYCHOLOGY AND MEDIATION

NOW IN SPANISH

Dr. Tomás Larrioux Cruz, newly appointed Visiting Professor at the Foundation, offers the following E-Tutorial courses in psychology and mediation in the Spanish language. For information on E-Tutorials, please visit the Foundation's website.

Salud mental y psicopatología
La evaluación individual
Teorías de la consejería
Abuso de sustancias

Students of Cloverdale College and the Foundation may now complete their entire residency for the Bachelor, Master or Doctor of Mediation degrees by c o m p l e t i n g

coursework through the University College of Professional Mediation (Puerto Rico), a higher learning post-secondary educational institute. The University College is authorized to offer Diplomas and Certificates recognized by the General Council of Education of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Please note that these programs are offered in Spanish.

Visit the University College at:

www.colegiomediacion.com/english.htm

APPOINTMENT OF VISITING PROFESSORS

In the Foundation's ongoing efforts to assure a breadth and depth of faculty resources for this institution's widely diverse student body, periodic appointments of Visiting Professors are made. The Foundation is pleased to announce the following people as newly appointed Visiting Professors: Dr. Muhammad Hatim, Visiting Professor of African American Muslim Studies, and Dr. Ismail Mohamed Mohamed Elshikh, Visiting Professor of Islamic Studies (with specialization in Tajweed). Faculty profiles of each of these new Visiting Professors are available on the Faculty page of the website by visiting www.gtfeducation.org, and clicking on *Administration*, then *Faculty*.

FOUNDATION PRESIDENT SPEAKS

AT 2009 ISLAMIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

At the invitation of the Women's Conference of the Islamic Cultural Center of Greater Chicago, Dr. John Morgan delivered the 2009 Annual Lecture on the topic, "Muslim Clergy in America: From Americanization to Islamification." There was a large buffet provided for the more than 200 guests who attended, and the Conference was followed by an extended conferral with a host of Bosnian Imams regarding a major database study being launched by the M.E.C.C.A. Project (Muslim Education Council on Clergy in America) under the oversight of Dr. Morgan and the Foundation.

2009 GRADUATION & CONVOCATION

With May 7 and 8 set for the Foundation and College's 47th Convocation and Graduation Ceremony, the Foundation staff members are busily making final preparations for the gala event at the Century Center and Bendix Theatre in downtown South Bend, Indiana. The graduating class will approach one hundred with eleven countries represented as well as the faith traditions of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in their various denominational manifestations.

Distinguished biblical scholar, Professor John Barton, of Oriel College, Oxford University, is to receive the Krister Stendahl Medal in Biblical Studies, and Rabbi Stanley Kessler, Honorary Fellow of the Foundation and Rabbi Emeritus of Beth El Temple (West Hartford, Connecticut) is to deliver the Graduation Address. The Rev. Dr. Marlene Kropf, William B. Oglesby, Jr., Professor of Pastoral Theology, will present the Archbishop Robert Runcie Lecture Thursday evening on the topic of "Women and Ministry," which will be followed by a Social Hour in the Great Hall of the Century Center for all Foundation and College alumni/ae, students, graduates, and friends. Dr. Ann Graber, Professor of Logotherapy/Existential Analysis at the Foundation, and scholar of logotherapy, will be elevated to Fellow of the Foundation and will be awarded the Doctor of Divinity *honoris causa*.

Rabbi Kessler will also be awarded the Doctor of Divinity *honoris causa* and Professor John Barton will be made an Honorary Fellow. Dr. Anne Luther, Professor of Spiritual Direction at the Foundation, and Dr. Marlene Kropf will also be awarded the Doctor of Divinity *honoris causa*.

The Revd. Dr. Robin Gibbons, our Dean of Studies at Foundation House/Oxford, will represent the University of Oxford where he is a member of the Theology Faculty and a senior officer of the Oxford Centre for Religion in Public Life. Dr. Gibbons is also the Associate Director of the Oxford University Summer Programme in Theology.

FOUNDATION THEOLOGY 2009

Since 1984, the Foundation has sponsored an annual monograph publication of student and faculty essays. The 2009 monograph contains twelve student essays representing a wide range of religious and professional orientations and bespeaks the depth and breadth of scholarship which the Foundation prides itself on fostering. Copies will be available for purchase in early summer, and an announcement of availability will appear on the Foundation's homepage.

FOUNDATION PRESIDENT NAMED TO OXFORD CENTRE

The President of the Foundation, Dr. John Morgan, has been named to the International Advisory Board of The Centre for Religion in Public Life at Oxford University. The Centre intends to use its position within the University of Oxford to further University, national and international understanding of how religion can play a part in the context of a modern, democratic and pluralist, society. The Centre is intended to be interdisciplinary and totally independent of any ideological commitment. It has no "religious agenda," and the aim is to include not just those committed to different branches of Christianity, or committed to other reli-

gions, but those who are skeptical about allowing religion to have any public role. Only through the contribution of many voices can the complexity of these issues in the contemporary world be addressed.

The Centre for Religion in Public Life will encourage interdisciplinary debate within the University of Oxford, will provide a focus for public debate within the United Kingdom, and will foster international contacts, and the study of similar issues in different countries. Read more about the Centre at:

www.kellogg.ox.ac.uk/Shared/religion.html.

2009 FOUNDATION & COLLEGE BULLETIN NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

The 2009 Bulletin of the Foundation and College is now available both online at www.gtfeducation.org and in print. The cost of a physical copy is \$10.00 for delivery within the US and \$15.00 for international requests.

To read the 2009 Bulletin online, or to order a physical copy, please visit the website at www.gtfeducation.org and click on the 2009 Bulletin link on the left-hand side of the homepage.

OXFORD SUMMER THEOLOGY PROGRAMME STILL ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Applications for the Oxford University Department for Continuing Education Summer Theology Programme in Oxford, England, are still being accepted. Students may earn Units of Study toward their degree at the Foundation through attendance at, and completion of all requirements for, this summer program.

The Summer Theology Programme in Oxford will run between July 26-31 (week one) and August 2-7 (week two). The theme of this year's programme is "Creation and Creativity," in honor of this year's 150th anniversary of Charles Darwin's *Origin of Species*.

Those interested in applying for this program should visit the website of the Oxford University Department for Continuing Education (OUDCE) at:

<http://international.conted.ox.ac.uk/>

(Click on "Theology Week 1" and "Theology Week 2")

Information is also available on the Foundation's "Oxford & Rome" page at:

www.gtfeducation.org/Academics/Oxford_Rome.html

INTENSIVE BIOETHICS COURSE

This course will be held at The Kennedy Institute of Ethics at Georgetown University from June 1-5, 2009. Units of Study may be earned by Foundation students.

Visit kennedyinstitute.georgetown.edu.