

# CBTE 2021 seeks speakers for upcoming conference

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*Northwest Seminary is pleased to announce the upcoming annual conference on competency-based theological education, CBTE 2021. As in past years, CBTE 2021 will run as a dedicated track at CBExchange 2021, a conference directed by the Competency-Based Education Network, world leaders in competency based education.*

The event will be held November 9–12, 2021, at the Omni Barton Creek Resort and Spa in Austin, Texas. Given the impacts caused by the pandemic, portions of the conference will be made available virtually for those who may be unable to travel this fall.

A request for speaker proposals has been issued by both CBTE 2021 and CBExchange 2021, with proposals from both tracks being accepted until Friday, April 16. We are requesting all selected presenters to attend in person, and we will be offering speaker registration discounts to reduce the cost of participation.

Additionally, we request that all presenters pre-record their sessions for on-demand viewing made available to all registrants after the event. More details will be shared once presenters are notified of selection. Please ensure that you choose “CBTE” for the Conference Track Applicability when completing the request for speaker proposals. Only proposals marked with this option will be sent to us.



CBTE 2021 is an engaging conference that considers the benefits of implementing a competency-based theological education paradigm in seminary programs. This past year has demonstrated the need for flexibility, creativity, and ingenuity in educational approaches. Seminaries have grappled with finding effective means to deliver content, train effectively, and assess accurately in online and distant settings, all without compromising their academic standards. Since its introduction in 2012, CBTE has proven itself a viable model that maintains these standards and graduates educated, skilled, and approved students.

For updated conference information, please visit [cbte.ca](http://cbte.ca). We welcome you to join us for this event. If you have any questions please email Ruth McGillivray.



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