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**PERKINS SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY NAMES DR. SUSANNE SCHOLZ  
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF OLD TESTAMENT**

*Dallas, Texas* – Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University announces the appointment of Dr. Susanne Scholz as the new assistant professor of Old Testament effective July 1, 2008.

A native of Germany, Dr. Scholz holds a Ph.D. from Union Theological Seminary in New York. She has taught at Union, at Fordham University, and elsewhere in the United States. She has also taught at the Chinese University in Hong Kong. She is a frequent lecturer at educational programs of churches and religious organizations in the United States and in Europe.

Her scholarly interests are in Hebrew Bible, biblical studies, women/gender, culture, and religion, as well as interfaith dialog. In 2004-05, she was named McCarthy Scholar at the Center for the Study of Jewish-Christian Relations at Merrimack College. Among her publications are *Introducing the Women's Hebrew Bible* (T&T Clark 2007), *Rape Plots: A Feminist Cultural Study of Genesis 34* (Lang 2000), *Biblical Studies Alternatively: An Introductory Reader* (Prentice Hall 2003) and *Zwischenräume: Deutsche feministische Theologinnen im Ausland* (LIT 2000).

Dr. Scholz is a member of the Society of Biblical Literature (SBL), American Academy of Religion (AAR), European Society of Women in Theological Research (ESWTR), and the Catholic Biblical Association (CBA).

Perkins School of Theology is one of five University-related official schools of theology of The United Methodist Church. The school was founded in 1911 by the Methodist Episcopal Church South, now The United Methodist Church. Degree programs include the Master of Church Ministries, Master of Divinity, Master of Sacred Music, Master of Theological Studies, and Doctor of Ministry degree, as well as the Ph.D. in cooperation with SMU's Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences.

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