

# Darwinism vs. creationism fight at OSU

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A dispute has arisen concerning an alleged "Darwinist attack" on a doctoral candidate at Ohio State University in Columbus.

The Discovery Institute in Seattle has filed a public records request with OSU seeking documents related to doctoral candidate Bryan Leonard. The request was submitted in June by the institute's Center for Science and Culture under the Ohio Public Records Act.

Leonard's dissertation defense in the area of science education was postponed, allegedly after three "Darwinist" professors attacked Leonard's dissertation research. The professors, according to the center, were upset because the dissertation analyzed how teaching students evidence for and against macroevolution affected student beliefs.

Discovery Institute is a Seattle-based public policy think tank. The Center for Science and Culture is an Institute program supporting those who challenge Darwinism in favor of creationism.

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