
Rebecca A. Wilcox, PhD Candidate

Curriculum Vitae

Doctoral Candidate, *ABD*, Religion and Society
Princeton Theological Seminary
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EDUCATION

- ❖ Ph.D Princeton Theological Seminary
- Dissertation: “*Shadows of Death: Black Religion and Flights Toward Life*”
Committee: Keri Day (advisor), Mark L. Taylor, Victor Anderson
- ❖ M.TS. Vanderbilt University (2018), Ethics
 - ❖ B.A. Clark Atlanta University (2016), Religion (minor in philosophy)

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- ❖ **Princeton Theological Seminary, Graduate Instructor**
Course: *The Social Death of Black Religion*
- ❖ **Faculty Advisory Committee on Diversity, Graduate Representative** (Princeton Theological Seminary, 2022)

RESEARCH INTERESTS AND EXPERTISE

- ❖ Religious Studies
- ❖ Queer Theory
- ❖ Political theology
- ❖ Black Feminist Ethics
- ❖ Black Religion
- ❖ African American Literature
- ❖ Critical Black Studies
- ❖ Political Theory
- ❖ Decolonial Studies
- ❖ Cultural Studies (Birmingham School)

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- ❖ Laura Bassi Editorial Scholarship (2024)
- ❖ Peter Paris Fellowship, Princeton Theological Seminary (2020-present)

- ❖ Merit Tuition Scholarship, Princeton Theological Seminary (2019-Present)
- ❖ Princeton Doctoral Fellowship, Princeton Theological Seminary (2019-Present)
- ❖ Presidential Scholarship, Princeton Theological Seminary (2019-Present)
- ❖ Black Theology and Leadership Institute, Princeton Theological Seminary (Summer, July 2017)
- ❖ Millennial Leaders Project, Union Theological Seminary (Summer, July 2017)
- ❖ Merit Tuition Award, Vanderbilt University (2016-2018)
- ❖ Catherine W. Pierce Scholarship, United Negro College Fund (UNCF) (2015-2016)
- ❖ Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE) (Scholarship) (June 2015-August 2015)
- ❖ Frederick Patterson Scholarship, United Negro College Fund (UNCF) (2013-2014)

PUBLICATIONS, *professional*, (Essays, Interviews, Articles)

- ❖ ***“Arthur Jafa and Religion: An Anthology”***
Forthcoming 2025
- ❖ ***“Distorted Mirrors: Toward a Clear Gaze on Black Suffering”***
The Immanent Frame: Secularism, Religion, and the Public Sphere
<https://tif.ssrc.org/2021/01/14/distorted-mirrors-toward-a-clear-gaze-on-black-suffering/>
(2021)
- ❖ ***“How the University De-Radicalizes Students, Professors, and Social Movements (Political Theology Interview with Joy James)”***
Villanova University <https://youtu.be/ljeWk4VGNGk?si=bMKp19xYT8laSaUI> (2022)

ESSAYS, INTERVIEWS, AND ARTICLES (Popular Culture)

- ❖ ***Chapter 1: Spiritualities***
ENGAGE: Indigenous, Black, and Afro-Indigenous Futures - Edited by Joy James (Pluto Press, 2024)
- ❖ ***“At the Impasse of Revolution and Revolutionary Love”***
Scalawag Magazine <https://scalawagmagazine.org/2023/03/captive-maternalrevolutionary-love/> (2023)
- ❖ ***“Chapter 11: How the University (De)Radicalizes Social Movements (With Rebecca A. Wilcox of the Political Theology Network)”***
In Pursuit of Revolutionary Love: Precarity, Power, Communities – Joy James (Divided Publishing, 2022)
- ❖ ***“This Womanist Work: Moving From Confessions to Professions”***
Black Theology Project base <https://btpbase.org/this-womanist-work/> (2017)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES

- ❖ ***“To Spite Non-Being: Black Religion, Paul Tillich, and the Antiblackness of***

Creativity” (presenter)

Annual Meeting of the American Comparative Literature Association, Black Genres of Political Theology Seminar (ACLA, Virtual, 2025)

- ❖ ***“Becoming Violent: Sula’s World-Ending Capacity as an Anti-Relational Figure”*** (Conference Panel Paper)

American Academy of Religion (AAR, San Diego, 2024)

- ❖ ***“Blackness Beyond World-Making: On Protestantism, Sovereignty, and Antiblackness”*** (Guest Panelist)

Blackness Beyond Protestantism Conference (University of Virginia, 2024)

- ❖ ***“The Darkest Shade of Purple: Antiblackness and Womanist Thought”*** (Conference Panel Paper)

American Academy of Religion (AAR, Texas, 2023)

- ❖ ***“Black Religion and the Critique of Religious Pluralism”*** (Conference Panel Paper)

American Studies Association Conference (ASA, Montreal, 2023)

- ❖ ***“Blackness and Nothingness: On Karl Barth and Calvin Warren”*** (Guest Lecturer)

Princeton Theological Seminary, “Theological Anthropology Course”, (Instructor: Hanna Reichel) (2023)

- ❖ ***“Antiblackness and the Christian Ruse of Redemption”*** (Keynote Lecturer)

First Presbyterian Church of Brooklyn (2023)

- ❖ ***“Spiritualities and Renunciation of Care Session”*** (Respondent)

Villanova University, Political Theology Network Conference (2023)

- ❖ ***The Interminable Pandemic: Antiblackness and the Apostatic Death Wish”*** (Keynote Lecturer)

Bucknell University (2023)

- ❖ ***“Just Futures Roundtable – Spiritualities”*** (Guest Panelist)

Williams College, <https://youtu.be/eTpqf8M6lRk?si=XuDsnAj5aC8mTlAu> (2022)

- ❖ ***“Black Lives Matter: Global Activism One Year Later”*** (Guest Panelist)

University of Cape Town, Hart House Global <https://harthouse.ca/events/black-lives-matterglobal-activism-one-year-later> (2021)

- ❖ ***“Womanism, Antiblackness, and Ungendering”*** (Guest Lecturer)

Vanderbilt University, “Womanist Theological Ethics Course”, (Instructor: Dr. Stacey Floyd Thomas) (2021)

- ❖ ***“These is Bloody Shoes: On Urban Womanism”*** (Conference Panel Paper)
Southeastern Regional Conference on Religious Studies (2018)

TEACHING ASSISTANT AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- ❖ ***“Theological Currents in the Black Radical Tradition”***

Teaching Assistant to Dr. Mark L. Taylor and Dr. Jay-Paul Hinds, Princeton Theological Seminary (Spring 2024)

❖ ***“African-American Public Theology”***

Teaching Assistant to Dr. Keri Day, Princeton Theological Seminary (Fall 2023)

❖ ***“Masculinity – A Theological Investigation”***

Teaching Assistant to Dr. Hanna Reichel, Princeton Theological Seminary (Spring 2023)

❖ ***“Theological Currents in the Black Radical Tradition”***

Teaching Assistant to Dr. Mark L. Taylor and Dr. Jay-Paul Hinds, Princeton Theological Seminary (Spring 2022)

❖ ***“Global Economics as Theological Question.”***

Teaching Assistant to Dr. Keri Day (Fall 2020)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

The American Academy of Religion

American Studies Association