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Curriculum Vitae

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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy Harvard University, Committee on the Study of Religion	2012
Master of Theological Studies Harvard Divinity School, Religion and Society Program	2005
Bachelor of Arts Xavier University of Louisiana, Department of Theology	2003

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Full Professor University of California, Los Angeles—Split Appointment in the UCLA Institute for Society and Genetics & Department of African and African American Studies	2023-Present
Associate Professor University of California, Los Angeles—Split Appointment in the UCLA Institute for Society and Genetics & Department of African and African American Studies	2018-2023
Associate Professor University of California, Santa Barbara—Joint Appointment in the Department of Black Studies & Department of History	2017-2018
Assistant Professor University of California, Santa Barbara—Joint Appointment in the Department of Black Studies & Department of History	2013-2017
Visiting Assistant Professor University of California, Santa Barbara—Department of Black Studies & Department of History	2012-2013

BOOKS

Keel, Terence D., *The Coroner's Silence: Death Records and the Hidden Victims of Police Violence* (Boston, MA: Beacon Press, 2025)

Keel, Terence D., *Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science* (Original Title) *Божественные вариации: Как христианская мысль стала наукой о расе* (Russian Translation) (Boston, MA: Academic Studies Press, 2025)

Perez-Sheldon, Myrna, Ragab, Ahmed, **Keel, Terence D.**, *Critical Approaches to Science and Religion* (New York, NY: Columbia University Press, February 2023)

Keel, Terence D., *Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, January 2018)

Winner of the 2021 Iris Book Award

Winner of the 2018 Choice Award for Outstanding Academic Title

BOOK CHAPTERS

Huang, Yue-Ming, Lay, K., **Keel, Terence D.**, Walker, V., “Recruiting Standardized Simulated Patients for a Diverse and Inclusive Population” in, *Comprehensive Healthcare Simulation: Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion* ed., Calzada, Jennifer, Horne, Bennetta, Nakajima, Amy, and Robertson, Jamie (Switzerland: Springer Nature, 2025)

Keel, Terence D., “Nihilism, Race, and the Critical Study of Science and Religion” *Critical Approaches to Science and Religion* ed., Perez-Sheldon, Myrna, Ragab, Ahmed, Keel, Terence (New York: Columbia University Press, 2023)

Perez-Sheldon, M. **Keel, Terence D.**, Ragab, A. “An Introduction to Critical Approaches to Science and Religion” in, *Critical Approaches to Science and Religion* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2023)

Perez-Sheldon, M. **Keel, Terence D.**, Ragab, A. “Conclusion.” in, *Critical Approaches to Science and Religion* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2023)

Keel, Terence D., “Blumenbach’s Racial Science in the Light of Christian Supersessionism” in, *Johann Friedrich Blumenbach: Race and Natural History, 1750-1850* ed. Nicolaas Rupke and Gerhard Lauer (NY: Routledge, 2018), 123-141

Keel, Terence D., “Human-Neanderthal Hybrids and the Frontier of Critical Race Studies” in, *Red and Yellow, Black and Brown: Decentering Whiteness in Mixed Race Studies* ed. Paul Spickard and Rudy Guevarra (NJ: Rutgers University Press, 2017), 201-218

JOURNAL ARTICLES: PEER REVIEWED

Keel, Terence D., Walters, Jonah, “Oleoresin Capsicum: A Racial-Political History of a Ubiquitous Chemical Munition” *Isis: A Journal of the History of Science Society* Vol. 114, No. 4, December 2023, 687-709.
<https://doi.org/10.1086/727679>

Shapiro, Nicholas, **Keel, Terence D.**, “Naturalizing Unnatural Death of Los Angeles County Jails, 2009-2019” *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* (October 2023): 1–18. <https://doi.org/10.1111/maq.12819>

Projit Bihari Mukharji, Myrna Perez Sheldon, Elise K. Burton, **Terence Keel**, Sebastián Gil-Riaño, Emily Merchant, Wangui Muigai, Ahmed Ragab, and Suman Seth “A Roundtable Discussion on Collecting Demographic Data” *Isis* June 2020 111:2, 310-353

Keel, Terence D., “The Religious Preconditions for the Race Concept in Modern Science”, *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*, Vol. 54, No. 1 (March 2019): 225-229

Keel, Terence D. “Response to my Critics: The Life of Christian Racial Forms in Modern Science”, *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*, Vol. 54, No. 1 (March 2019): 261-279

Keel, Terence D., “Race on both Sides of the Razor”, *Kalfou* “Symposium Issue on Race and Science”, Spring 2018, Vol. 5, Issue 1, 7-17

Keel, Terence D., “Concluding Remarks: Social Justice Requires BioCritical Inquiry” *Kalfou* “Symposium Issue on Race and Science”, Spring 2018, Vol. 5, Issue 1, 68-75

Obasogie, Osagie, Bridges, Khiara, **Keel, Terence D.**, “Introduction: Critical Race Theory and the Life Sciences” *American Journal of Law and Medicine*, Fall 2017 Vol. 43, Issue 2 & 3

Keel, Terence D., "Charles V. Roman, Racial Medicine, and the Specter of Polygenism in Progressive Era Public Health Research," *Social History of Medicine*, May 2015, 28 (4): 742-766

Keel, Terence D., "Religion, Polygenism, and the Early Science of Human Origins" *History of the Human Sciences*, Vol. 26, Issue 2, April 2013: 3-32

EDITED JOURNALS

Keel, Terence D., Lipsitz, George (eds.) *Kalfou* "Symposium Issue on Race and Science", Spring 2018, Vol. 5, Issue 1

Obasogie, Osagie, Bridges, Khiara, **Keel, Terence D.**, (eds.) *American Journal of Law and Medicine* (Symposium Issue) Fall 2017, Vol. 43, Issue 2 & 3

BOOK REVIEWS OF DIVINE VARIATIONS: ACADEMIC PRESSES

The Journal of Ecclesiastical History

Finnegan, Diarmid A., "(Review) Terence D. Keel. Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science" Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2018, 200 pp. *The Journal of Ecclesiastical History* Vol. 71, No. 3: (July 2020): 665-668

Philosophy, Theology and the Sciences

Manuel Rodriguez-Caso, Juan, "(Review) Terence D. Keel. Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science" Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2018, 200 pp. *Philosophy, Theology and the Sciences* Vol. 7, No. 1: (July 2020): 139-142

American Historical Review

Buam, Bruce, "(Review) Terence D. Keel. Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science" Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2018, 200 pp. *American Historical Review* Vol. 125, Issue 1 (February 2020): 228-229

The Journal of Religion

Wolf, Michelle, "(Review) Terence D. Keel. Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science" Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2018, 200 pp. *The Journal of Religion* Vol. 100, No. 1 (January 2020): 142-143

Sociology of Religion

Danielsen, Sabrina, "(Review) Terence D. Keel. Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science" Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2018, 200 pp. *Sociology of Religion* Vol. 81, Issue 1 (Spring 2020): 1-2

Journal of Medicine and Allied Sciences

Nuriddin, Ayah, "(Review) Terence D. Keel. Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science" Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2018, 200 pp. *Journal of Medicine and Allied Sciences*, Vol. 75, Issue 1 (January 2020): 114-116

Ethnic and Racial Studies

Hughey, Matthew "(Review) Terence D. Keel. Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science" Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2018, 200 pp. *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, Vol. 43, No. 3 (January 2020): 566-568

Religious Studies Review

Perez Sheldon, Myrna, "Review Essay: Cosmologies and Theologies of Race Difference" (Review) Terence D. Keel. "Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science" Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2018, 200 pp. *Religious Studies Review*, Vol. 45, No. 4 (December 2019): 475-477

Journal of the American Academy of Religion

Vial, Theodore, "(Review) Terence D. Keel. Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science" Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2018, 200 pp. *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, Vol. 87, Issue 1, (March 2019): 296-299

Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science

Fehige, Yiftach, "In What Sense Exactly Did Christianity Give Us Racial Science?" *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*, Vol. 54, No. 1 (March 2019): 230-236

Hamm, Ernie, "Christian Thought, Race, Blumenbach and Historicizing" *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*, Vol. 54, No. 1 (March 2019): 237-245

Marks, Jonathan, "The Coevolution of Human Origins, Human Variation, and their Meaning in the 19th Century" *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*, Vol. 54, No. 1 (March 2019): 246-251

Neswald, Elizabeth, "Racial Science and 'Absolute Questions': Re-Occupations and Repositions" *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*, Vol. 54, No. 1 (March 2019): 252-260

Reading Religion: A Publication of the American Academy of Religion

Bantum, Brian, "(Review) Terence D. Keel. *Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science*" Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2018, 200 pp. *Reading Religion: A Publication of the American Academy of Religion*, 2018 August 23: <http://readingreligion.org/books/divine-variations>

OTHER CRITICAL RESPONSES TO MY WORK**Sapientia Creationist Project**

Nathan Luis Cartagena, Eric Washington, Jules A. Martinez-Olivieri, Diarmid Finnegan, Tite Tiéno, "Book Symposium" (Review) Terence D. Keel. *Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science* Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2018, 200 pp, August 27, 2021: <https://henrycenter.tiu.edu/2021/08/introducing-divine-variations-how-christian-thought-became-racial-science/>

Hartigan, John, "Facing up to Neanderthals" *Kalfou* "Symposium Issue on Race and Science", Spring 2018, Vol. 5, Issue 1: 18-23

Chaufan, Claudia, "What Can the Slim Initiative in Genomic Medicine for the Americas (SIGMA) Contribute to Preventing, Treating, or Decreasing the Impact of Diabetes among Mexicans and Latin Americans?" *Kalfou* "Symposium Issue on Race and Science", Spring 2018, Vol. 5, Issue 1: 24-35

Montoya, Michael, "Race, Genetics, and Health: Transforming Inequalities or Reproducing a Fallacy?" *Kalfou* "Symposium Issue on Race and Science", Spring 2018, Vol. 5, Issue 1: 36-40

Benjamin, Ruha, "Prophets and Profits of Racial Science" *Kalfou* "Symposium Issue on Race and Science", Spring 2018, Vol. 5, Issue 1: 41-53

Soto-Laveaga, Gabriela, "Race and the Epigenetics of Memory" *Kalfou* "Symposium Issue on Race and Science", Spring 2018, Vol. 5, Issue 1: 54-60

Doucet-Battle, James, "Ennobling the Neanderthal: Racialized Texts and Genomic Admixture" *Kalfou* "Symposium Issue on Race and Science", Spring 2018, Vol. 5, Issue 1: 61-67

BIOCRITICAL STUDIES LAB REPORTS

Carmen Johnson, **Terence Keel**, Alexander Li, Anna Robinson-Sweet, Elizabeth Rossi, Grace Sosa, Jonah Walters, (Report) "In-Custody Deaths in Ten Maryland Detention Centers, 2008-2019" August 1, 2023: <https://ucla.box.com/s/zdrks72p1bja1n6pow7c4rtplnxs0h>

Alexander Li, Grace Sosa, **Terence Keel**, (Report) "Los Angeles County Jail Deaths 2009: Evaluating the Demographics of 38 Deaths in Los Angeles County Jails" July 1, 2023: https://www.terencekeel.com/files/ugd/022b3a_5fe2615b739340e3a6ec8b222c17e060.pdf

Shapiro, Nicholas, **Keel, Terence D.**, (Report) "Natural Causes?" 58 Autopsies Prove Otherwise: Evaluating the Autopsies of 58 Deaths in Los Angeles County Jails, 2009-2018" June 1, 2022: <https://ucla.app.box.com/s/sv54jmxhmq19kqifpakh4jfu3vnmhbqt/file/974263270262>

NON-PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES & WRITINGS

Keel, Terence D., "Universals, Difference, and Ghosts: A Response to Joseph Blankholm's *The Secular Paradox*" *Critical Research on Religion* Vol. 0 (0) 1-6, February 2025, 1-6. <https://doi.org/10.1177/20503032251314480>

Terence Keel and Jonah Walters, "Coroners need to release their records: that's the law" (Opinion) *Pennsylvania Live Patriot-News*, November 14, 2022: <https://www.pennlive.com/opinion/2022/11/coroners-need-to-release-their-records-thats-the-law-opinion.html>

Keel, Terence D. "Do Europe and America Believe in their Own Gods?" *Sapientia Creationist Project* "Book Symposium Issue on *Divine Variations*" August 27, 2021: <https://henrycenter.tiu.edu/2021/08/introducing-divine-variations-how-christian-thought-became-racial-science/>

Keel, Terence D., "(Review): Michael Yudell. *Race Unmasked: Biology and Race in the Twentieth Century*" New York City, New York, Columbia University Press, 2014. xvi, 304 pp. *Journal of the History of Medicine and Allied Sciences*, 2016, 71 (1): 107-109

Keel, Terence D., "Neanderthal Genes, Religion and the Search for the Unique Identity of Modern Humans" *Gene Watch* Vol. 23, Issue 3, May-June 2010

Keel, Terence D., "Religion, Race, and the Neanderthal Genome" *The Immanent Frame*, July 22, 2010

FELLOWSHIPS

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Interdisciplinary Research Leaders Fellowship (\$75,000)	2021-2023
UCLA Luskin Center for History and Policy, Faculty Fellowship	2020-2021
UC President's Faculty Fellows in the Humanities	2015-2016
UC Center for New Racial Studies Postdoctoral Fellowship (Declined)	2014-2015
Ford Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship (Finalist)	2014-2015
Mark and Catherine Winkler Fellowship, Harvard University	2011-2012
Harvard University Dissertation Completion Fellowship	2011-2012
Social Science Research Council Dissertation Development Fellowship	2009

GRANTS

Russell Sage Foundation, Foundation Trustee Grant for "Data Driven Study of Autopsies Written for Non-Firearm Legal Intervention in Los Angeles, 2000-2020" (\$191,991)	2022-2024
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Interdisciplinary Research Leaders Grant (\$125,000)	2022-2023
National Institute of Health National Library of Medicine (\$146,703)	2022-2025
Kaiser Family Foundation Grant (\$40,000)	2020-2022
UC Consortium for Black Studies in CA, Faculty Research Grant	2016-2017

UC Center for New Racial Studies Faculty Research Working Group Grant: “Critical Theory and Scientific Methods”	2015-2016
University of California Faculty Enrichment Grant	2013-2016
National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant Science, Technology and Society Division	2010-2012
Charles Warren Summer Research Grant, Harvard University	2009

AWARDS & HONORS

Public Impact Research Award, UCLA Office of Research and Creative Activities	2024
Elected Fellow , International Society for Science and Religion	2021
<u>The Iris Book Award 2021</u> , Center for Religion & the Human Indiana University for <i>Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science</i>	2021
<u>The 2018 Choice Award for Outstanding Academic Title</u> , The American Library Association for <i>Divine Variations: How Christian Thought Became Racial Science</i>	2018
University Honor: Harold J. Plous Award , UC Santa Barbara	2017
Junior Scholar Award: Science and Society Conference, Madrid Spain	2010
James N. Snitzler Award, Harvard Divinity School	2004-2005
Theta Alpha Kappa National Honor Society, Xavier University of Louisiana	2003
Ronald E. McNair Scholar, Xavier University of Louisiana	2002-2003

TEACHING

University of California, Los Angeles	2018-2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Black Belief in Three Acts: Religion, Politics, & Science Problems of Identity at the Biology-Society Interface Race, Science, and Society Contemporary Issues in Public Health Research Posthumans 	
University of California, Santa Barbara	2012-2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> African American Religion Race, Science, and Society The Eugenics Movement Science and Religion Research Seminar in Science, Technology, & Medicine Introduction to Black Studies African American History Posthumanism 	

UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP APPOINTMENTS

Founding Director, The Lab for BioCritical Studies, UCLA	2020—present
Advisor for Structural Competency and Innovation for UCLA Simulation Center at the David Geffen School of Medicine	2020—present
Faculty Member, UCLA Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Relations with Schools	2020—present
Faculty Review Committee, UCLA Ronald J. McNair Research Scholars Program	2018—present
Associate Director of Critical Theory, Center for the Study of Racism, Social Justice & Health, UCLA Feilding School of Public Health	2020—2022
Associate Director, UCLA Ralph J. Bunche Center for African American Studies	2020-2021
Faculty Executive Committee, UCLA Ralph J. Bunche Center for African American Studies	2019-2020
Executive Committee, UCLA Bedari Kindness Institute	2019-2020
Chair, Personnel Committee, UCLA Department of African American Studies	2019-2020
Committee Member, Ad hoc Personal Review, UCLA Institute for Society and Genetics	2018-2019
Faculty Search Committee, UCLA Institute for Society and Genetics & Institute for Precision Health G/IPH Faculty Search Committee, UCLA	2018-2019
Undergraduate Admission Committee, UCLA Institute for Society and Genetics	2018-2019
Vice Chair, Department of History, UCSB	2017-2018
Chair, Academic Planning Committee, Department of History, UCSB	2017-2018
Member, Graduate Dean's Advisory Board on Diversity, UCSB	2016-2018
Board Member, Multicultural Center, UCSB	2016-2018
Member, Advisory Committee of the Center for Black Studies Research, UCSB	2016-2017
Member, Departmental Chair Search Committee, Black Studies Department, UCSB	2015-2016
Member, Visiting Assistant Professor Search Committee, Black Studies Department, UCSB	2015-2017
Member, ABD Research Fellowship Search Committee, Black Studies Department, UCSB	2014-2015
Member, North American Slavery Search Committee, History Department, UCSB	2014-2015
Member, Merit and Promotions Committee, History Department, UCSB	2013-2014
Chair Black Studies Emphasis Program, Department of Black Studies UCSB	2013-2016
Dream Scholar Mentor Department of Black Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara	2013-2018

OTHER PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS & SERVICE

History of Science Society Council	2022-2024
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<i>Osiris</i> Editorial Board	2021-2025
Advisory Editor, <i>Isis: A Journal of the History of Science Society</i>	2019-2020
Co-Chair Critical Theory and Scientific Method Working Group, UC Berkeley and UC Santa Barbara	2015-2017
Advisory Committee National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Fellowship, STS Division	2013-2014
Member University of California Race Collective	2013-2014
Manuscript Referee <i>History of the Human Sciences</i>	2012-2013
Graduate Writing Fellow Harvard University	2009-2011
Finance Coordinator Harvard Committee on African Studies	2007-2009
Steering Committee The Religion and Society Colloquium, Harvard University	2007-2008
Project Coordinator Sr. Vice Provost for Faculty Development and Diversity Office, Harvard University	2005-2006
Research Associate International Health and Human Rights Program, Harvard School of Public Health	Fall 2005
Lecturer Xavier University of Louisiana	Summer 2005
Research Associate The Pluralism Project, Harvard University	2004-2005

INVITED LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

- Invited Roundtable Discussion, “Elizabeth Catlett: A Black Revolutionary Artist”, The National Gallery of Art, Saturday April 5, 2025
- Invited Roundtable Discussion, “Politics of Medical & Public Health Controversies” Vassar College, April 4, 2025
- Invited Roundtable Discussion, “Universities and the Histories of Race, Science, and Medicine” Yale University, Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition, March 1, 2025
- Invited Roundtable Discussion, “Data Transparency about Deaths in Confinement: How can we ensure accuracy and completeness in the reporting of deaths in custody?” University of Texas, Austin, Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, November 15, 2024
- Invited Lecture, “Black Death and the U.S. Medical Examiner-Coroner System” Wake Forest University, April 21, 2022
- Invited Lecture, “Belief, Race, and Nihilism in American Biomedical Science” Princeton University, February 22, 2022
- Invited Lecture, “Human Difference, Nihilism, and the Future of Biomedicine” Arizona University School of Medicine, December 16, 2021

Invited Lecture, "Structural Racism in Biomedical Research", UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine, May 7, 2021

Invited Lecture, "Race and Christianity Symposium with Terence Keel and Denise Buell" Villanova University, April 30, 2021

Invited Lecture, "Christian Thought, Eugenic Belief, Racial Entitlement" Stanford University, Center for Computational, Evolutionary, and Human Genomics, April 2, 2021

Invited Lecture, "Christianity, Race, and the Haunting of Biomedical Science" University of North Texas, Department of Philosophy and Religion, March 26, 2021

Invited Respondent, Global/Premodern/Race: Medieval Studies Annual Colloquium, UC Santa Barbara, Medieval Studies Committee, March 21, 2021

Invited Lecture, "Nihilism is an Underlying Condition for Death in Police Custody", Identities and Epistemic Injustice Conference, UC Irvine, March 12, 2021

Invited Lecture, "In the Shadow of Whiteness: Race, Religion, and Radicalization in the Time of Pandemics," UC Berkeley Center for the Study of Religion, UC Irvine, March 5, 2021

Invited Panelist, "Biopolitical Battle Lines: Between Eugenics and Black Lives Matter" CalTech University, February 19, 2021

Keynote address: "Christianity, Race, and the God of Biomedical Science" Center for Research in Science, Azusa Pacific University, October 15, 2020

Panel participant: "HSS FUTURES I: Roundtable: What Do We Do about the Future of Scholarship? Demography, Diversity, and the Transformation of the History of Science" History of Science Society (HSS) 10/8/2020

Respondent: "Racial Bodies of Knowledge: Reformulations of Human Difference in Physical Anthropology" History of Science Society (HSS) and the Society for the History of Technology (SHOT) 10/8/2020

Invited Panelist: "Race: The Power of an Illusion" UC Berkeley, Othering & Belonging Institute, September 25, 2020

Invited Lecture: "The Religion that Haunts Human Biology" Brown University, Race, Medicine, and Social Justice Workshop, Brown University Medical School, November 4, 2019

"Catastrophe Fragments Time in the Body" Colloquium on Coloniality, Race, & Catastrophe, Harvard Divinity School, November 1, 2019

"Mimicry and the Notes of Epigenetics" Sound and Reproduction Conference, UC Berkeley, September 6, 2019

"Conscripted into Universalism: Biology and the New Left During the Culture Wars", University of Ohio, Critical Approaches to Science and Religion Symposium, August 17, 2019

Invited Lecture: "The Science of Replacing Others: One Year After Charlottesville" 10th Annual eCRT Symposium, University of Virginia, September 28, 2018

Invited Lecture: "Ghosts in the Machine: Christianity, Race, and the Haunting of Biological Science" History of Science Seminars, Harvard University, September 13, 2018

Invited Presentation: "Feeling Race in our Genes" Presided by Dorothy Roberts, Special Session of the American Sociological Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA August 14, 2018

"Did our Neanderthal ancestors give Native Americans type 2 diabetes? A biosocial critique of genetic claims about health, disease, and indigenous bodies" with Deborah Bolnick, Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington DC, November 30, 2017

- Invited Lecture: "Loving v. Virginia, 21st Century Science, and the Biologizing of Race", Fordham Law School, November 3, 2017
- Invited Lecture: "How Christian Thought Became Racial Science" The Young Scholars Lecture Series of the UC Consortium of Black Studies, UC Irvine, June 8, 2017
- "Critical Race Studies and the Health Sciences" Fall Symposium of the American Journal of Law and Medicine, Boston School of Law, January 20, 2017
- "Racial Science as Christian Universalism by Other Means" Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, North American Religion Section, San Antonio TX, November 21, 2016
- "Science, Race, and the Reoccupation of Christian Supersessionism" Annual Meeting of the Society for the History of Science, Hybrid Science: Racial Science Across Borders and Disciplines in the Nineteenth-Century, Atlanta GA, November 5, 2016
- "Understanding the Enduring Belief in Race as a Natural Phenomenon" Race, Science and Social Justice Distinguished Lecture Series, Program on the History of Science and Medicine, Yale University, April 11, 2016
- "Is the Search for Inherited Disease Risk from Neanderthals Pre-Racial Science?" Biological Anthropology Seminars and Informal Lectures Series, University of Texas, Austin, February 5, 2016
- "Beyond the Charge of Pseudoscience: New Directions for the Study of Race and the History of Science," Roundtable: How Should the History of Science Engage with Political Activism and Social Justice? Annual Meeting of the History of Science Society, San Francisco, CA November 21, 2015
- "Charles Roman, Racial Medicine, and 20th Century American Polygenism" North American Religious Colloquium, Princeton University, Princeton NJ, December 4, 2014
- "Did Neanderthal Give Europeans Health, but Mexicans Disease?: Understanding What it Means to be Part Neanderthal" Critical Mixed Race Studies Conference, DePaul University, Chicago, IL, November 14, 2014
- "The Strange Career of American Polygenism: From Christian Naturalism to the Progressive Era" for the American Studies Colloquium, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, September 11, 2014
- "The Religious Roots of 19th Century American Polygenism" Annual Conference of the Society for U.S. Intellectual History, U.C. Irvine, November 3, 2013
- "Who's *Really* Paleo?: Genetics, Race and the Public Consumption of Neanderthal Admixture Research" Center for New Racial Studies, U.C. Santa Barbara, May 9, 2013
- "Science and the Religious Pursuit of Race" Department of Black Studies, U.C. Santa Barbara, February 12, 2013
- "Deconstructing the Myth of Pure Racial Origins: How Christianity Shaped the Scientific Study of Race" Religion and Identity Series, Interdisciplinary Humanities Center, U.C. Santa Barbara, February 7, 2013
- "How Christianity Shaped the Scientific Study of Race" Religion Colloquia, Department of Religious Studies, U.C. Santa Barbara, November 14, 2012
- "The Christian Origins of Modern Racial Science" Science, Technology, and Society Colloquium, Department of History, U.C. Santa Barbara, October 24, 2012
- "Religion and the Scientific Study of Race in the U.S.: Conflict or Cooperation?" Brownbag Seminar, Center for Science, Technology, Medicine, and Society, U.C. Berkeley, January 25, 2012
- "Noah's Lost Son: Neanderthal Admixture, Race and Society" Incubator Series, Department of the History of Science, Harvard University, February 21, 2011

“Blumenbach’s Adamic Fantasy: Christianity and 18th Century Theories of Racial Descent”, Modern Sciences Working Group, Department of the History of Science, Harvard University, February 23, 2011

“Christian Metaphysics, Race, and Scientific Encounters with the Neanderthal” Science and Society Conference, Carlos III University, Madrid, Spain, November 12, 2010

“Permanent Racial Types and the Regularity of God/Nature in the Thought of Josiah C. Nott” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, October 31, 2010

“A Reply to William Julius Wilson’s Class Thesis: The Case of Residential Segregation and Public Health” for Introduction to African American History, Harvard University, May 12, 2010

“Competing ‘Public’ Aspirations in Lorraine Hansberry’s *A Raisin in the Sun*” for Professor Ronald Thiemann’s course Religion and the Public Intellectual, Harvard University, November 13, 2008

“James Baldwin on the Enduring Legacy of American Conceptions of the Negro in *Notes of a Native Sun*”, for Professor Ronald Thiemann’s course, Religion and the Public Intellectual, Harvard University, September 25, 2008

“A Reply to Wallace Best on African American Women and the Paradoxes of Gender” The Study of Women and Gender in Religion Forum, Harvard Divinity School, December 2006

“Slave Religion as an Epistemological Break from Christianity: Revisiting Albert J. Raboteau’s ‘Hidden Institution’ of Black Religion in the Antebellum South” for the Southwest Commission on Religious Studies, American Academy of Religion, History of Christianity Section, Dallas Texas March 5, 2006

INTERVIEWS & MEDIA APPEARANCES

[Interview](#) with Tavis Smiley, KBLA Talk 1580, “Natural Causes Report” August 4, 2022

Interview with Maria Hall, “The Lawyers Guild Show” KPFK 90.7FM, “Natural Causes Report” July 27, 2022

[Interview](#) with Morgan Norwood ABC News, “California medical examiner’s death classifications under scrutiny” July 6, 2022

[Interview](#) with Jonathan Riggs, “A Legacy of Confronting Injustice: UCLA Professor Terence Keel’s Grounding Breaking Interdisciplinary Work Uncovers Deadly Hidden Bias” UCLA Newsroom, March 9, 2022

[Interview](#) with John Harlow, “Terence Keel on the Christian Roots of Race Science” UCLA Magazine, February 15, 2022

[Interview](#) with Tavis Smiley, KBLA Talk 1580, “Christian Roots of Racial Science” August 4, 2022

Interview with Manuel Rustin, “Extra Credit: One-on-One with Terence Keel” *All of the Above*, Web TV Broadcast, September 19, 2020

Interview with Ashley Lifton, *Daily Bruin*, “UCLA must require African American studies course to bolster students’ education” September 25, 2020

Interview with Rupal Ramesh Shah, *Street Roots* (Portland, OR), “Racism has devastating impacts on public health”, July 7, 2020

Interview with Olivia Goldhill, *Quartz*, “American healthcare’s racist history helped fuel a fear of vaccines”, June 30, 2020

Interview with Ted Chen, *LA Times*, “Black Leaders Say Being Anti-Racist is the Only Way to Fight Racism”, June 5, 2020

Interview with Lance Thurner, *New Books in Science, Technology & Society*, June 17, 2019

Interview with Sam Seder, *The Majority Report Podcast*, April 25, 2018

Interview with Jessica Baron, *Newsletter of the History of Science Society*, Vol. 46, No. 2, April 2018

Interview with Manuel Rustin, "Extra Credit: One-on-One with Terence Keel" *All of the Above*, Web TV Broadcast, January 28, 2018

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