

**DR. SHARON A. STANLEY**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

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**Employment**

- 2017-present *Professor*  
Department of Political Science, University of Memphis
- 2014-2017 *Dunavant Professor*  
Department of Political Science, University of Memphis
- 2012-2017 *Associate Professor*  
Department of Political Science, University of Memphis
- 2006-2012 *Assistant Professor*  
Department of Political Science, University of Memphis

**Education**

- Ph.D.** University of California, Berkeley  
Political Science, May 2006

Dissertation Title: *The Enlightenment and the Emergence of Modern Cynicism*  
Committee: Wendy Brown (chair), Mark Bevir, Paul Thomas, David Bates

*Qualifying Subfields:* Political Theory, Public Law, Comparative Politics

- M.A.** University of California, Berkeley  
Political Science, May 2000

M.A. Essay Title: *Black Separatism and the Legacy of Segregation*

- B.A.** Dartmouth College  
Government and Linguistics, June 1999  
Summa Cum Laude

B.A. Thesis Title: *Linguistic and Cultural Preservation: Native Language as a Human Right*

**Publications**

*Books*

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*An Impossible Dream? Racial Integration in the United States.* Oxford University Press,  
April 2017.

*The French Enlightenment and the Emergence of Modern Cynicism.* Cambridge University Press, April 2012.

*Journal Articles*

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“Alternative Temporalities: U.S. Post-Racialism and Brazilian Racial Democracy,” *Theory & Event* 21.3 (July 2018): 725-752.

“Creolizing Gilberto Freyre,” In *Contemporary Political Theory* 17.3 (2018): 368-376.

- Invited submission for special forum, *Creolizing political theory in conversation*, on Jane Anna Gordon’s *Creolizing Political Theory: Reading Rousseau Through Fanon*.

“John Stuart Mill, Children’s Liberty, and the Unraveling of Autonomy,” In *Review of Politics* 79.1 (January 2017): 49-72.

“The Enduring Challenge of Racial Integration in the United States,” In *Du Bois Review* 12.1 (May 2015): 5-24.

“Toward a Reconciliation of Integration and Racial Solidarity,” In *Contemporary Political Theory* 13.1 (February 2014): 46-63.

“Hermits and Cynics in the Enlightenment: Rousseau and *Rameau’s Nephew*,” In *Eighteenth-Century Thought* 4 (July 2009): 311-345.

“Unraveling Natural Utopia: Diderot’s *Supplement to the Voyage of Bougainville*,” In *Political Theory* 37.2 (April 2009): 266-289.

“Retreat from Politics: The Cynic in Modern Times,” In *Polity* 39.3 (July 2007): 384-407.

*Encyclopedia Articles*

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“Counter-Enlightenment” in *SAGE Encyclopedia of Political Theory*, ed. Mark Bevir (2010): 328-331.

“Encyclopédie” in *SAGE Encyclopedia of Political Theory*: 428-429.

*Book Reviews*

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Vincenzo Ferrone, *The Enlightenment: History of an Idea*, In *Review of Politics* 78.2 (Spring 2016): 332-334.

Elizabeth Anderson, *The Imperative of Integration*, In *Journal of Politics* 74.1 (January 2012): 12-13.

Pamela Edwards, *The Statesman’s Science: History, Nature, and Law in the Political Thought of Samuel Taylor Coleridge*, In *Political Theory* 34.3 (June 2006): 399-401.

Graeme Garrard, *Rousseau's Counter-Enlightenment: A Republican Critique of the Philosophes*, In *Critical Sense* XII: 1 (Spring 2004): 145-149.

*Works in Progress*

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“Lessons From Brazil: Racial Democracy in the City.” (under review)

“Unbridled Stallions and Mad Bulls: Masculinity, Race and Sexuality in Hemispheric Perspective.” (under review)

*Strategies of Disavowal: U.S. Post-Racialism and Brazilian Racial Democracy* (book manuscript)

**Awards, Fellowships, and Honors**

Travel Enrichment Fund  
University of Memphis, 2018

Professional Development Assignment  
University of Memphis, 2018-2019

Summer Research Stimulus  
University of Memphis, 2017

Alumni Association Distinguished Teaching Award  
University of Memphis, 2016

Deborah L. Talbot Fellowship in Interdisciplinary Inquiry  
University of Memphis, Spring 2016

Dunavant Professorship  
University of Memphis, 2014-2017

Professional Development Assignment  
University of Memphis, Spring 2013

Early Career Research Award  
University of Memphis, 2012

Faculty Research Grant  
University of Memphis, 2010-2011

Mark Rozance Award  
UC Berkeley, 2006

Peter H. Odegard Memorial Award in Political Science  
UC Berkeley, 2001-2002

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award  
UC Berkeley, 2001-2002

### **Invited Appearances**

- July 2018      *Brazilian Racial Democracy and U.S. Post-Racialism in Hemispheric Perspective*  
Seminar offered at Caribbean Philosophical Association Summer School  
Memphis, TN
- Nov 2017      *An Impossible Dream? Racial Integration in the United States*  
Invited book talk in conjunction with the course Segregation by Design  
Washington University in St. Louis and Harris-Stowe State University  
St. Louis, MO
- August 2016    *The Temporal Paradox of Racial Integration*  
Urban Justice Workshop, University of San Francisco  
San Francisco, CA
- March 2016    *An Impossible Dream? Racial Integration in the United States*  
Roundtable: "Racial Segregation and Integration in Urban Contexts:  
Thinking Across Boundaries," Instituto de Relações Internacionais PUC-Rio  
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- April 2013     *Confronting the Impossible: Racial Integration in the United States*  
University of Sydney  
Sydney, Australia
- March 2009    *Roundtable on "The Making of Modern Cynicism" by David Mazella*  
American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Conference  
Richmond, VA

### **Conference Appearances**

- Oct 2018      *Lessons from Brazil: Racial Democracy in the City*  
Philosophy of the City  
Bogotá, Colombia
- March 2018    *Author Meets Critics: An Impossible Dream?*  
Western Political Science Association  
San Francisco, CA
- March 2018    *Unbridled Stallions and Mad Bulls: Masculinity, Race and Sexuality  
in Hemispheric Perspective*  
Western Political Science Association  
San Francisco, CA
- July 2017      *Alternative Temporalities: Brazilian Racial Democracy and U.S. Post-Racialism*  
Brazilian Association for International Relations  
Belo Horizonte, Brazil

- April 2017 *Alternative Temporalities: U.S. Post-Racialism and Brazilian Racial Democracy*  
Western Political Science Association  
Vancouver, Canada
- April 2014 *Racial Integration as Mutual Transformation*  
Western Political Science Association  
Seattle, WA
- Oct 2010 *Reconciling Cynicism and Democracy*  
Association for Political Theory  
Portland, OR
- Sept 2010 *Rethinking the Concept of Integration*  
American Political Science Association  
Washington, D.C.
- Sept 2009 *Disenchanted Democracy and the Ineradicability of Cynicism*  
American Political Science Association  
Toronto, Canada
- March 2007 *Unraveling Natural Utopia: Diderot's Supplement to the Voyage of Bougainville*  
Western Political Science Association  
Las Vegas, NV
- March 2007 *Pierre Bayle and the Pessimism of Tolerance*  
American Society for Eighteenth Century Studies  
Atlanta, GA
- April 2005 *The Dark Side of Sociability: Cynicism, Commerce, and the Social*  
American Society for Eighteenth Century Studies  
Las Vegas, NV
- April 2004 *Retreat from Politics: The Cynic in Modern Times*  
Critical Theory in Dark Times  
Minneapolis, MN
- October 2003 *Cynics in the City: Rousseau, Mandeville, and Rameau's Nephew*  
Association of Political Theory  
Grand Rapids, MI
- April 2003 *Hermits and Cynics: Enlightenment and its Discontents*  
Southwestern Political Science Association  
San Antonio, TX
- March 2002 *Political Theory and the Constitutional Right to Privacy: Investigating the  
Origins of Legal Privacy Discourse*  
Law, Culture, and Humanities  
Philadelphia, PA

March 2002 *The Threat of Cynicism in Hegel's Phenomenology of Spirit*  
Western Political Science Association  
Long Beach, CA

## **Teaching Experience**

### *Teaching Fields*

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History of Political Thought (ancient, modern, and contemporary)  
American Political Thought  
Feminist Political Thought  
Jurisprudence and Legal Theory  
Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and Civil Liberties  
Race and Politics in the Americas

### *Graduate Courses Taught at the University of Memphis*

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Race in the Americas  
Radical Political Thought  
Violence and Politics  
Secularism and its Discontents  
Origins of Modern Liberalism and its Critique  
Race and American Law  
Conservative Political Thought  
Democratic Theory  
Enlightenment and its Discontents  
Contemporary Legacies: Mill, Marx, and Nietzsche

### *Undergraduate Courses Taught at the University of Memphis*

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Introduction to Modern Political Thought  
Feminist Political Theory  
Contemporary Political Theory  
Origin and Development of American Political Thought  
Constitutional Law: Origin and Evolution of Civil Liberties in the United States  
The Politics of Racial Integration in the United States  
Race and Politics in the United States

### *Thesis Committees*

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Master's Thesis Committee Chair: Jonpaul Bushnell, Jeff Leedham, Drew Dickson

Master's Thesis Committee Member: Brooke Shannon, Anna Talley, Victoria Busse,  
Emily Cummings, Timothy Dukeman, Sera Bebakus, Amanda Koppers, Erin Jennings

Dissertation Committee Outside Member: Jonathan Smith (Communications)

## Professional Service

### *Service to the Profession*

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Co-Organizer, *The Politics and Poetics of Race in the Americas*  
Interdisciplinary Conference, University of Memphis, November 2018

Manuscript and Scholarship Reviewer

- Fordham University Press
- *Political Theory*
- *Journal of Politics*
- *Review of Politics*
- *American Political Science Review*
- *Contemporary Political Theory*
- *ERAS Journal*
- *Journal of Political Ideologies*

Program Committee Member  
Association for Political Theory, 2017

Section Chair, Political Theory: Critical and Normative Section  
Western Political Science Association Conference, 2015

Co-Organizer, *Thinking the Present: The Beginnings and Ends of Political Theory*  
Graduate Student Conference, UC Berkeley, 2005

Editor, *Critical Sense*  
Graduate Student Journal, UC Berkeley, 2001-2004

### *Service to the Department of Political Science and the University of Memphis*

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Tenure and Promotion Committee Member, College of Arts & Sciences (2015-2016,  
2017-2018)  
Faculty Senator (2008-2012, 2016-2017)  
B.A. Assessment Coordinator, Department of Political Science (2013-present)  
Distinguished Teaching Award Committee Member, College of Arts & Science (2016-  
present)  
Graduate Coordinator, Department of Political Science (2014-2015)  
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Member, CAS (2012-2014)  
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Chair, Women's and Gender Studies (2008-2009)  
Advisor for Political Science Undergraduates (2006-2009)