

Special Issue

Religion and Politics among African Americans

Message from the Guest Editors

There is a long history of African American religious bodies framing and pursuing human rights as religious/ethical issues that they are called to pursue. This Special Issue aims to explore three central questions:

- How do the social-economic and racialized experiences of African Americans shape their perceptions about the appropriateness of religious bodies taking positions on social-justice issues, like police brutality, environmental justice, concentrated poverty and racial segregations, health care, and the like?
- How do the social-economic and racialized experiences of African Americans associate with their likelihood of attending politically engaged and social-justice oriented worship settings?
- Finally, to what extent does religion associate, inform, and/or frame African American political behavior, public policy attitudes, and perceptions of and willingness to join social movements?

We welcome a diversity of methodological approaches, including but not limited to survey research, ethnographic, and archival methods, to address these and other relevant questions. The ideal submissions ground their work in the religion and politics and/or social movement literatures.

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