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Wendy Salkin is an Associate Professor of Philosophy and of Law and, by courtesy, of Political Science at Stanford University. Her book, Speaking for Others: The Ethics of Informal Political Representation, was published by Harvard University Press in 2024 and has been awarded the Apostolos P. Stefanopoulos Book Prize.

Her research is in political philosophy, philosophy of law, philosophy of race, and Africana philosophy, and intersects with questions in moral philosophy, feminist philosophy, and law. This research has been generously supported by the American Council of Learned Societies, the Clayman Institute for Gender Research, the ConceptLab, a Laurance S. Rockefeller Visiting Faculty Fellowship at the University Center for Human Values at Princeton University, a Stanford Humanities Seed Grant, and the Stanford Humanities Center.

Salkin received her Ph.D. in Philosophy from Harvard University, her J.D. from Stanford Law School, and her B.A. in Philosophy and Africana Studies from New York University. She has served as a law clerk to the Honorable Judge Rosemary Barkett and the Honorable Judge Adalberto Jordan on the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit in Miami, Florida, and as legal advisor to Judge Barkett on the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal in The Hague.

In April 2024, Salkin received the Phi Beta Kappa Northern California Association Teaching Excellence Award.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Associate Professor, Philosophy
- Associate Professor, Stanford Law School
- Associate Professor (By courtesy), Political Science

PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Center for Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity (CCSRE)
- Modern Thought and Literature

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Harvard University , Philosophy (2018)
- J.D., Stanford Law School (2013)
- B.A., New York University , Philosophy, Africana Studies (2007)

LINKS

- Philosophy Department Website: https://philosophy.stanford.edu/people/wendy-salkin
- Personal Website: https://www.wendysalkin.com/

Teaching

COURSES

2026-27

- Citizenship in the 21st Century: COLLEGE 102 (Win)
- Law and Philosophy Workshop: LAW 3527 (Spr)
- Law and Philosophy Workshop: PHIL 176W, PHIL 276W (Spr)
- Philosophy of Law: LAW 5811 (Spr)
- Philosophy of Law: Protest, Punishment, and Racial Justice: ETHICSOC 175W, PHIL 175W, PHIL 275W, POLISCI 137, POLISCI 337 (Spr)
- Self-Determination: CSRE 375W (Win)
- Self-Determination: LAW 3529 (Win)
- Self-Determination: PHIL 375W (Win)

2024-25

- Race, System, and Structure: CSRE 372W, ETHICSOC 372W, PHIL 372W (Spr)

2023-24

- Citizenship in the 21st Century: COLLEGE 102 (Win)
- Philosophy of Law: Protest, Punishment, and Racial Justice: CSRE 175W, ETHICSOC 175W (Win)
- Philosophy of Law: Protest, Punishment, and Racial Justice: LAW 5811 (Win)
- Philosophy of Law: Protest, Punishment, and Racial Justice: PHIL 175W, PHIL 275W, POLISCI 137, POLISCI 337 (Win)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

Pat Hope, César Valenzuela

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Samantha Bennett, Tsz Hang Fei, PM Irvin, Sydney Jordan, Nathan Zhang

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Political Representation** *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*
  Dovi, S., Salkin, W.
  2026; Fall
- **PRECIS FOR SPEAKING FOR OTHERS: THE ETHICS OF INFORMAL POLITICAL REPRESENTATION** *JOURNAL OF PHILOSOPHICAL RESEARCH*
  Salkin, W.
  2025; 50: 201-210
- **THE SPEAKING FOR SPECTRUM: A REPLY TO ESTLUND AND IAVARONE-TURCOTTE** *JOURNAL OF PHILOSOPHICAL RESEARCH*
  Salkin, W.
  2025; 50: 229-246

- **You Say I Want a Revolution** *MONIST*
  Salkin, W.
  2024; 107 (1): 39-56
- **Speaking for Others: The Ethics of Informal Political Representation**
  Salkin, W.
  Harvard University Press.2024
- **Speaking for Others from the Bench** *Legal Theory*
  Salkin, W.
  2023; 29 (2): 151–184
- **Democracy within, justice without: The duties of informal political representatives(1)** *NOUS*
  Salkin, W.
  2021
- **The Conscription of Informal Political Representatives*** *JOURNAL OF POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY*
  Salkin, W.
  2021
- **Judicial Representation: Speaking for Others from the Bench** *DISABILITY, HEALTH, LAW, AND BIOETHICS*
  Salkin, W.
  edited by Cohen, I. G., Shachar, C., Silvers, A., Stein, M. A.
  2020: 211-220