




Rachel Jean-Baptiste

Michelle Mercer and Bruce Golden Family Professor of Feminist and Gender Studies,
Professor of History and of African and African American Studies

 Curriculum Vitae available Online

Bio

BIO

Ph.D., Stanford University

M.A., Stanford University

A.B., Bryn Mawr College

Rachel Jean-Baptiste is a historian of 20th and 21st century French-speaking Central and West Africa and the Atlantic world. Her research interests include the histories of: marriage and family law; gender and sexuality; racial thought and multiracial identities; urban history; citizenship. Jean-Baptiste is currently researching the history of women, slavery, and urban history in Haiti and the French-speaking Atlantic world.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Professor, History
- Professor, African and African American Studies

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Faculty Director, Feminist, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program, (2023- present)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Co-President, Coordinating Council for Women in History (2021 - 2024)
- Editorial Board, Gender and History (2022 - present)
- Board Member, African Studies Association (2022 - present)

Teaching

COURSES

2023-24

- Gender and Sexuality in African History: AFRICAAM 247, FEMGEN 247, FEMGEN 347, HISTORY 247, HISTORY 347 (Spr)
- Graduate Workshop: Feminist, Gender, and Sexuality Studies: ARTHIST 499, FEMGEN 299 (Aut)
- Introduction to Feminist, Gender, and Sexuality Studies: AMSTUD 107, CSRE 108, FEMGEN 101, TAPS 108 (Spr)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

Wallace Teska

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Multiracial Identities in Colonial French Africa: Race, Childhood, and Citizenship**
Jean-Baptiste, R.
Cambridge University Press.2023
- **Conjugal Rights: Marriage, Sexuality, and Urban Life in Colonial Libreville, Gabon** *New African Histories*
Jean-Baptiste, R.
Ohio University Press.2014
- **"Miss Eurafrica": Men, Women's Sexuality, and Metis Identity in Late Colonial French Africa, 1945-1960** *JOURNAL OF THE HISTORY OF SEXUALITY*
Jean-Baptiste, R.
2011; 20 (3): 568-593
- **"A BLACK GIRL SHOULD NOT BE WITH A WHITE MAN" Sex, Race, and African Women's Social and Legal Status in Colonial Gabon, c. 1900-1946** *JOURNAL OF WOMENS HISTORY*
Jean-Baptiste, R.
2010; 22 (2): 56-82
- **"THESE LAWS SHOULD BE MADE BY US": CUSTOMARY MARRIAGE LAW, CODIFICATION AND POLITICAL AUTHORITY IN TWENTIETH-CENTURY COLONIAL GABON** *JOURNAL OF AFRICAN HISTORY*
Jean-Baptiste, R.
2008; 49 (2): 217-240