

# INDYA J. JACKSON, PHD CANDIDATE

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## EDUCATION

The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH  
*PhD in English Literature* **2019**  
Field: African American Literature post-1945  
Graduate Minor: African & African American Studies

The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH  
*MA in English Literature* **2015**  
Field: African American literature post-1945

Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL  
*BA in English Literature* **2013**  
Honors: Magna Cum Laude

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

African American Literature  
Black Liberation Studies  
Surveillance Studies  
Policing & Criminality

## AWARDS

Predoctoral Research Grant, Social Science Research Council **2017**  
Predoctoral Research Grant, Social Science Research Council **2016**  
Graduate Enrichment Fellowship, The Ohio State University **2013**  
McNair Scholar, Indiana University-Purdue University Indiana **2012**  
Mellon-Mays Undergraduate Fellowship **2011**

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

*THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY*  
ENGL 2367.02: "OJ Simpson in Literary Memory: The Making of America" **AU 2018**  
ENGL 2367.02: "OJ Simpson in Literary Memory: The Making of America" **SU 2018**  
ENGL 1110.02: "The Specter of Whiteness in African-American Lit" **SP 2018**  
ENGL 2367.02: "Criminality & Mass Incarceration in Contemporary African-American Lit" **AU 2017**  
ENGL 2367.01: "Policing & Criminality in the United States Experience" **SP 2017**  
ENGL 1110.02: "The Specter of Whiteness in African-American Lit" **AU 2016**  
ENGL 1110.01: "Cultural Appropriation in American Culture" **SP 2016**  
ENGL 1110.01: "Cultural Appropriation in American Culture" **AU 2015**

## RELATED EXPERIENCE

The Digital Media Project, Columbus, OH  
*Graduate Administrative Assistant* **2017– Present**

The Young Scholars Program, Columbus, OH  
*English Instructor* **SU 2017**

The Center for the Study and Teaching of Writing, Columbus, OH  
*Writing Consultant* **2016-17**

Huazhong Agricultural University, Wuhan, China  
*English Language Instructor* **SU 2016**

Office of Diversity and Inclusion  
*Graduate Research Assistant* **2014-15**

Cooperative Extension Youth Summer Program, Tuskegee, AL  
*Camp Counselor* **SU 2013**

The Center for Academic Excellence and Innovative Learning  
*Lead English Tutor* **2011-13**

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### PUBLICATIONS

- "Book Review: Devorah Heitner, Black Power TV" *Spectrum: A Journal on Black Men*, vol. 4, no. 2, 2016, pp. 109–111.  
"The Black Bottom: Ta-Nehisi Coates's Archaeology of Death" *TBD Edited Collection*. University of Virginia Press. 2019.

### CONFERENCES/TALKS

"Dem Niggers Ain't Playin': Death, Surveillance, and Literary Reckoning in the Black Power Era"  
Dubois/King Symposium, Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA  
*Presenter/Panelist*  
**2018**

"Black Trans Politics" (Panel)  
Queer Places, Practices & Lives Symposium, Columbus, OH  
*Moderator*  
**2017**

Opening/Closing Remarks, Keynote Speaker Introduction  
OSU English Graduate Organization Conference: Interrogating Representations and Discourses of Anger, Columbus, OH  
*Organizer/Host*  
**2017**

"Afro-Pessimistic Perspective in Between the World and Me or 'Death Was Simply a Part of the Working of the Trade'"  
American Comparative Literature Association Annual Meeting, University of Utrecht, Utrecht, NL  
*Presenter/Panelist*  
**2017**

"#BlackPride4 Community Dialogue"  
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Columbus, OH  
*Panelist*  
**2017**

"Coates as Death-Bound-Subject"  
The Cost of Freedom: Debt & Slavery Conference, Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, NY  
*Presenter/Panelist*  
**2017**

"On Why We Still Need Black Power"  
International Women's Strike Teach-In, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH  
*Lecturer*  
**2017**

"Ohio State Students Of Color Fear Retaliation After Terror Attack"  
*The Roland Martin Show*, TV ONE  
*Guest Commentator*  
**2016**

"Challenging Columbus Day in Columbus"  
*The Socialist Worker*  
*Commentator*  
**2015**

"Memoirs & Mediums: African Refugee Memoirs and the Politics of Authenticity"  
First Annual African And African Diaspora Studies Conference, CUNY-College of Staten Island, Staten Island, NY  
*Presenter/Panelist*  
**2014**

### SERVICE

OSU Department of English Undergraduate Studies Committee  
*Graduate Representative* **2017-18**

OSU English Graduate Organization Steering Committee  
*President* **2016-17**

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*The Journal: A Literary Magazine*  
*Volunteer Reader* (fiction submissions)

**2015-16**

The Ohio State University Coalition for Black Liberation  
*Founding Member/Core Organizer*

**2015**

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Modern Language Association  
American Comparative Literature Association  
The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation