

## Religion & Antisemitism

### Webinar Resources from Panelists

Below you will find a document of resources for learning and teaching about religion, antisemitism, and the impact it has and continues to have on American culture. You will find resources provided by the panelists and hosts that they have either created, been a part of creation or use in their classes/work to teach and learn about this topic.

#### **Lincoln Mullen**

Lincoln Mullen is a historian of American religion and the nineteenth-century United States, often using computational methods for texts and maps. He is the executive director of the [Roy Rosenzweig Center for History and New Media](#), a research center which creates websites, podcasts, educational resources, data-driven histories, and other open-access digital work to democratize history. At George Mason University, he is a professor in the Department of History and Art History, where he teaches American religious history, the history of Christianity, the history of the nineteenth-century United States, and digital history.

Podcast, [Antisemitism, U.S.A.](#), that he is a writer and host for.

“A couple of years ago, my colleague John Turner and I bounced around ideas for a podcast on the history of antisemitism in the United States. We were sure it was necessary topic that public audiences would benefit from learning about. Regrettably, it has become painfully obvious that we were right. However unfortunate the need for the podcast, John has ably led a team of scholars and podcasters to create it. In October of 2022, we convened the project team at my home for a kickoff meeting. As I looked around the room and listened to the conversation, I congratulated myself on being good at my job, because every person in the room was obviously more knowledgeable and talented than me. The result of their hard work is [Antisemitism, U.S.A.](#), launching this June.” – Lincoln Mullen

#### **Syllabi**

[Link to all syllabi](#)

#### **Books**

[America’s Public Bible: A Commentary](#) (Stanford University Press, 2023).

[The Chance of Salvation: A History of Conversion in America](#) (Harvard University Press, 2017).

#### **Other Publications**

“[Conversions to and from Judaism](#): Joseph Krauskopf on American Christian Missions to the Jews (1891)” in *Key Texts in American Jewish History: A Tribute to Jonathan D. Sarna*, edited by Mark A. Raider and Gary P. Zola (Brandeis University Press, 2022), 90–104:

## John Turner

John Turner is Professor of religious studies at George Mason University. His teaching and scholarship center on the history of religion in the United States, especially Mormonism, evangelicalism, and seventeenth-century puritanism. He is the author of several books about the role of religion in U.S. history, including *Brigham Young: Pioneer Prophet* (Harvard, 2012) and *They Knew They Were Pilgrims* (Yale, 2020). He is writing a biography of Joseph Smith, Jr.

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## Syllabus

### [RELI-370 Judaism](#)

## Resource Used in Teaching

### [Deborah Lipstadt, Antisemitism: Here and Now \(Schocken, 2019\)](#)

“The award-winning author of *The Eichmann Trial and Denial: Holocaust History on Trial* gives us a penetrating and provocative analysis of the hate that will not die, focusing on its current, virulent incarnations on both the political right and left: from white supremacist demonstrators in Charlottesville, Virginia, to mainstream enablers of antisemitism such as Donald Trump and Jeremy Corbyn, to a gay pride march in Chicago that expelled a group of women for carrying a Star of David banner.”

## Sarah Imhoff

Sarah Imhoff is Assistant Professor in the Department of Religious Studies and the Borns Jewish Studies Program at Indiana University, Bloomington. Her research explores how bodies and their attributes, such as gender, race, and ability, shape and are shaped by religion. Her current research project is a hemispheric history of Judaism in the Americas, bringing together the stories of Latin America and the Caribbean with those of North America. She is the founding co-editor of the journal *American Religion*.

## Main Question

“We should be thinking about how race and antisemitism interact: how and when is antisemitism like other forms of racism? How and when is it something else, such as religious prejudice? And how does Jewish whiteness interact with this? How can Jews be both white and objects of racial antisemitism?”

## Books

### [Masculinity and the Making of American Judaism](#)

“My first book argues that American Jewish men in the early twentieth century were gendered differently from American norms, and that this masculinity helped acculturated Jews argue for the value of an American Judaism.” - Sarah Imhoff

### [The Lives of Jessie Sampter: Queer, Disabled, Zionist](#)

"Sarah Imhoff's *The Lives of Jessie Sampter* is a thought-provoking exploration. [Imhoff's] attention to method and multifaceted storytelling succeed in getting us closer to understanding all of Sampter's complex queer, disabled, and Zionist lives." - Adrienne Krone, *Material Religion*

### **Book Chapter**

[Race, Religion, and Jewish Sexuality in an Age of Immigration](#) from the book *Religion is Raced* (New York University Press, 2020)

### **Articles**

"Racial Standing: How American Jews Imagine Community, and Why That Matters" Approaches to Race and Jewish Ethics, ed. Jonathan Crane (Penn State University Press, forthcoming)

"Religion, Geography, and the Impossibility of Jewish Identity" in Theorizing "Religion" in Graeco-Roman Antiquity, ed. Nickolas Roubekas (Equinox, 2019)

"Jews, Jewish Studies, and the Study of Islam" Identity, Politics, and the Study of Islam: Current Dilemmas in the Study of Religion, ed. Matthew Sheehy (Equinox, 2018)

"Why Disability Studies Needs to Take Religion Seriously" Religions 8.9 (2017)

"Lineage Matters: DNA, Race, and Gene Talk in Judaism and Messianic Judaism" coauthored with Hillary Kaell Religion and American Culture 26.2 (2017)

"Hoover's Judeo-Christians: Jews, Judaism, and Communism in the Cold War" in "True Faith and Allegiance": Religion and the FBI, eds. Sylvester A. Johnson and Steven Weitzman (University of California Press, 2017)

### **Britt Tevis**

Britt Tevis is the Backer Assistant Professor in Jewish Studies in the Department of History at the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University. She teaches courses on the history of antisemitism in the United States as well as American Jewish history. Her anthology of historical texts illuminating various dimensions of antisemitism in the United States will be published by Yale University Press in 2025. She earned her Ph.D. and J.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

### **Articles**

["Antisemitism in U.S. History,"](#) *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of American History*, Jon Butler, ed. (2023).

["Trends in the Study of Antisemitism in United States History,"](#) *American Jewish History* 105, no. 1/2 (2021): 255-284. [2022 Wasserman Essay Prize for Best Article in *American Jewish History*]

["Jews Not Admitted': Anti-Semitism, Civil Rights, and Public Accommodation Laws,"](#) *Journal of American History* 107, no. 4 (2021): 847-870.

### **Selected Interviews and Podcast Appearances**

Joshua Krug, "[How to Teach About Antisemitism](#)," *Harvard Divinity Bulletin*, Summer 2024.

Michelle Boorstein and Annie Gowen, "[What is Zionism? The Movement College Protesters Oppose, Explained](#)," *Washington Post*, May 3, 2024.

Andrew Silow-Carroll, "[What is Antisemitism? At a Jewish Studies Conference, Scholars Use the Archives as a Guide—And a Warning](#)," *Jewish Telegraphic Agency*, Dec. 21, 2023.

[Talk on Antisemitism in America](#), Stanford Jewish Studies, July 2024.

### **Resource Used in Teaching**

["Is America 'Different?' A Critique of American Jewish Exceptionalism" by Tony Michaels](#)