

Faculty Bio

Name: Larycia A. Hawkins

Position: Professor and Director, Center for the Study of the Underground Railroad

Department of: Political Science

Bio:



Larycia A. Hawkins, PhD., is a scholar, award-winning political science professor, international activist, and sought-after speaker and commentator on issues related to the intersections of race, politics, religion, and solidarity.

Educational Background:

She earned her BA in History and Sociology at Rice University and her MPA and PhD at the University of Oklahoma. Before joining Lincoln University's faculty, Professor Hawkins was an Associate Professor of Political Science at Wheaton College (IL), a university founded in 1860 by abolitionists. Hawkins was the first black woman to achieve tenure in the college's history. She was also a member of the General Faculty at the University of Virginia.

Classes Taught:

Favorite courses to teach include American Politics and Government; Race and the Obama Presidency; Race and the Politics of Welfare; Democracy in Black, and Trump, Tea Party Women, and the Rebirth of a White Christian Nation

Research Interest:

Dr. Hawkins is an active member of the American Political Science Association and the American Academy of Religion where she regularly presents her research. She researches phenomena at the intersection of race, religion, and politics; particularly the types of politics produced by of religious institutions, religious elites, and religious practitioners.

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