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## EDUCATION

**Yale University**, New Haven, CT

Beginning in August 2024

*Combined Ph. D.*

African American Studies and  
Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

**Wesleyan University**, Middletown, CT

May 2024

*Bachelor of Arts*, GPA: 3.9/4.00

**Majors:** English, Feminist, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, African American Studies

**Awards:** High Honors in FGSS, Honor Roll, The Brody Prize in African American Studies

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## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

*Research Assistant*, **Professor Victoria Pitts-Taylor**, Wesleyan University

May 2023-September 2023

- Researched and compiled scholarly and popular sources independently on anti-transgender legislation and media coverage for use in an academic article.
- Created a personalized database tailored to the research needs of the project.
- Presented work and research weekly to Professor Pitts-Taylor and discussed next steps.

*Research Intern*, **The Film Posse**, Middletown, CT

January 2023-May 2023

- Organized, categorized, and compiled research for a documentary film on African American folk hero John Henry.
  - Read and took notes on academic sources to communicate information to the team.
  - Entered hundreds of database entries for relevant events and images, footage, and audio.
  - Trained in archival procedures to gain access to copyrighted content for the film.
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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

*Course Assistant*, **Introduction to African American Studies**, Professor Garry Bertholf

January-May 2024

- Assisted students with studying for examinations and outlining essays.
  - Proctored examinations.
  - Met with students independently to discuss essays and exams.
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## PRESENTATIONS

- *Saidiya Hartman and Sara Ahmed: Black Studies and Phenomenology in Tandem* at the **Connecticut Future of Ethnic Studies Symposium**, Yale University, 2023, in conjunction with the African American Studies Department, Wesleyan University.

