

## Special Issue

# Between Soul and Algorithm: Religion and the Humanities in the Age of Artificial Intelligence

### Message from the Guest Editors

The aim of this Special Issue is to reassert the ethical, speculative, and theological capacities of religious traditions and the humanities in confronting the most urgent transformations of our time. In the face of a rapidly shifting techno-political order, this Issue proposes that theology and philosophy are not backward-looking disciplines, but forward-facing modes of thought capable of shaping the moral architecture of a posthuman world. We welcome essays that engage the religious, ethical, political, and epistemological implications of AI and transhumanism. Topics may include, but are not limited to, the following areas:

Theological and philosophical anthropology in light of posthumanist theory;  
Simulation of desire, knowledge, and authority through AI;  
Islamic kalām and atomism in response to digital metaphysics;  
The transformation of taklīf, agency, and responsibility in algorithmic societies;  
Law, ritual, and embodiment in technologically augmented contexts;  
Interreligious and comparative engagements with artificial consciousness and moral status;  
The future of humanities education under conditions of automation and predictive systems.

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