

# Micah H. Harris

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## EDUCATION

### Ph.D. in Political Theory

Anticipated, May 2024

The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC

Thesis: *How Political Action Shapes the Actor: The Political Theory of Martin Luther King Jr.*

Advisor: Dr. David Walsh

Minor Field: International Politics

### M.A. in Political Theory

Jan 2021

The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC

### M.A. in Liberal Arts

May 2017

St. John's College, Annapolis, MD

Thesis: *Beyond Reason: Prelude to a Scholarship of the Future*

Advisor: Dr. Jeff Black

### B.A., Interdisciplinary

May 2005

Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, OK

Minors in Political Science, Communication, and Religion

Magna Cum Laude, With Honors

Semester Abroad at Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Oxford, England

Honors Capstone: *Grappling With a Legacy of Racial Abuse: Reframing a Toxic Debate*

Advisor: Dr. Tony Litherland

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

*Only Small Things Are Good or The Open Letter* (Santa Fe, NM: Pagescape Press, 2018)

*Teaching Reason to Sing* (in progress)

### Peer-Reviewed Articles

Paper on how Noah Webster was influenced by Jean-Jacques Rousseau (under review after invited resubmission), draft available on request

### Select, Non-Refereed Articles

"Pourquoi les Églises ont besoin d'artistes," *Par la foi*, March 2020

"Why Churches Need Artists," *Mere Orthodoxy*, February, 2020

"Why Don't We Trust Each Other?" *Center for Christian Civics*, July 2016

"Languages of the Unheard," *Center for Christian Civics*, May 2016

“This is Not The One You Seek: The Nation’s Scramble to Find a Good Leader,”  
*Sojourners*, March 2016

## **Book Reviews**

*On Mystery, Ineffability, Silence and Musical Symbolism*, by Laurence Wuidar Augustinian  
*Studies*, November 2022

*The Cambridge Companion to Augustine’s Confessions*, Ed. Tarmo Toom, *Augustinian  
Studies*, October 2021

*The Internet of Us: Knowing More and Understanding Less in the Age of Big Data* by Michael  
P. Lynch, *First Things*, July 2016

*Republic of Spin* by David Greenberg, *First Things*, February 2016

*Reclaiming Conversation: The Power of Talk in the Digital Age* by Sherry Turkle, *First  
Things*, November, 2015

## **Short Fiction**

“Black Nails” (Santa Fe, NM: Pagescape Press, 2017)

“Testosterone Poisoning” (Liberty Island Magazine, 2016)

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“Martin Luther King Jr. and the Proper Use of Anger,” Southern Political Science  
Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, Jan. 2024

“‘Very Legitimate’: Martin Luther King Jr.’s Misunderstood Affirmation of Anger,”  
American Political Science Association Annual Conference, (virtual), Sep. 2023

“Noah Webster, Jean-Jacques Rousseau, and the Education of Women in the Early  
Republic,” Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference, St. Pete  
Beach, FL, Jan. 2023

“The ‘New Science of Politics,’ Gnosticism, and the Exegesis of Our World Today,”  
American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Montreal, Canada,  
Oct. 2022

“Common Reservations: Politics of the Person in Catholic, Protestant, and Afrocentric  
Thought,” Catholic University of America, University Research Day, April 2022

“Russia’s Necessary Self-Story and Its Problems,” International Studies Association  
Northeast Annual Conference, (Virtual), Nov. 2020

“Grappling With a Legacy of Racial Abuse: Reframing a Toxic Debate,” Western  
Political Science Association Conference, Albuquerque, NM, 2006

## **TEACHING**

*Civil Rights Movement Memoirs: Martin, Malcolm, and Maya*, Instructor of Record, Spring  
2023 (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Duke University)

*Literature of War in Vietnam*, Instructor of Record, Fall 2022 (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Duke University)  
*Introduction to Peace Studies*, Teaching Assistant, Spring 2021 (The Catholic University of America)  
*Writing for Senior Leaders*, Developer and Instructor, half-day continuing education class for Defense officials, 10x, 2013 – 2020  
*Briefing Senior Leaders*, Developer and Instructor, half-day continuing education class for Defense officials, 2x, 2015 – 2016

## **HONORS, AFFILIATIONS, AND SERVICE**

Panel Coordinator, “When Feelings Go Public: The Political Uses of Anger, Shame, and Other Strong Emotions,” SPSA annual conference, New Orleans, LA, Jan 2024  
Prestige-Cook Travel Award, SPSA annual conference, New Orleans, LA, Jan 2024  
Funding Award, SPSA conference presentation, New Orleans, LA, Jan 2024  
APSA Black Politics Dissertation Workshop, (virtual) Sep 2023  
Judge, National High School Ethics Bowl Championship, UNC Chapel Hill, 2023  
Funding Award, SPSA conference presentation, St. Pete Beach, FL, Jan 2023  
Graduate Fellow, Institute for Human Ecology, 2019 – present  
Member, American Political Science Association, 2019 – present  
Funding Award, APSA conference presentation, Montreal, CA, Oct 2022  
Advisor, high school honors thesis, Aviel Honey, 2021  
First Place Novel, Northern Virginia Writers Club annual contest, 2010  
Volunteered full time with a Malawian leadership development organization in the Southeast African nation of Malawi, Nov 2008 – May 2009

## **LANGUAGES**

French: advanced reading ability  
German: basic reading ability

## **EMPLOYMENT**

### **Booz Allen Hamilton (Defense Consulting)**

Associate, Various Department of Defense Clients (October 2021 – Present)  
Advisor, Intelligence Directorate, Director’s Action Group, U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany (May – August 2022)  
Senior Advisor, Director’s Action Group, Cooperative Threat Reduction, Defense Threat Reduction Agency (June 2017 – October 2021)  
Advisor, Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation Prevention Program, Defense Threat Reduction Agency (September, 2013 – June 2017)  
Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Policy Advisor, Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Policy, Pentagon (January 2011 – June 2013)

**Analytic Services (Defense Consulting)**

Building Partner Capacity Policy Advisor, Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Policy, Pentagon (September – December 2010)

Senior Associate Analyst, Arlington, VA (April – September 2010)

**National Security Council, White House, Washington, DC**

Intelligence Research Assistant (November 2007 – October 2008)

Communications Administrative Support Specialist (July – November 2007)

**United States Senate Armed Services Committee, Washington, DC**

Staff Assistant, Airland and Seapower subcommittees (August 2005 – July 2007)

**References**

Available upon request