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EDUCATION

Harvard University Ph.D. Candidate in Government Dissertation Title: “The History and Politics of Supererogation” Committee: Eric Nelson (chair), Richard Tuck, and Eric Beerbohm	Fall 2022–Present
Columbia University B.A. in Philosophy and History <i>Cum Laude</i> ; Departmental Honors in Philosophy GPA: 3.89	May 2019

PUBLICATIONS

“Teleology”, in *The Cambridge Dictionary of Political Thought*, ed. Richard Bellamy (forthcoming)

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

Academic Mentorship Grant, Institute for Humane Studies (\$8000)	2025–2026
Graduate Student Affiliation, Harvard Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies	2025–2026
Judith Nisse Shklar Fellow, Harvard Department of Government	2022–2023

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference (<i>Cancelled due to travel constraints</i>)	September 2025
- “Teleology and Hierarchy between Aquinas and Luther”	
International Society for MacIntyrean Enquiry Annual Conference	July 2025
- “Supererogation and Anscombe’s Two Traditions of Ethical Inquiry” (Paper presentation)	
Berkeley Graduate Conference on Early Modern Political Thought	May 2025
- “Luther’s Ethics of Obedience and the Rejection of Supererogation” (Paper presentation)	
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference	April 2025
- “Plato, Thomas More, and the Functions of Utopias” (Paper presentation)	
- “Luther’s Rejection of Supererogation” (Paper presentation)	
Northeastern Political Science Association Conference (NPSA) Conference	November 2024
- “Supererogation and the Freedom to Reject the Better Way” (Paper presentation)	
American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference	September 2024
- “Luther’s Idea of Vocation and the Democratization of Perfection” (Paper presentation)	
New England Political Science Association (NEPSA) Conference	April 2024
- “Supererogation and the Freedom to Reject the Ideal” (Paper presentation)	
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference	April 2024
- “Supererogation’s History and Legacy in Political Theory” (Paper presentation)	
New England Political Science Association (NEPSA) Conference	April 2023
- “Supererogation Versus the Ethics of Vocation” (Paper presentation)	

De Nicola Center for Ethics and Culture Fall Conference, University of Notre Dame

November 2022

- “Politics without the Fall: Augustine and Aquinas on Politics and Anarchy in the State of Innocence” (Paper presentation)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AS TEACHING FELLOW

Political Thought of the American Founding (GOV 1074); with Prof. Eric Nelson

Fall 2025

What Is a Republic? (GENED 1032); with Prof. Daniel Carpenter

Spring 2025

Teaching evaluation: 4.76/5.00

Justice (GENED 1200); with Prof. Michael Sandel

Fall 2024

Teaching evaluation: 4.42/5.00

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Coordinator, Harvard Political Theory Workshop (2024–2025)

Coordinator, Harvard European Philosophy Workshop (2024)

RELATED EXPERIENCE

The Morningside Institute, New York, NY

August 2019–June 2022

Research Associate in Philosophy (paid full time)

LANGUAGES

Ancient Greek (proficient); Latin (proficient); German (proficient); French (reading); Chinese (native)