

2020 Barnes Symposium

THE CRISIS OF MERITOCRACY

a lecture by Ross Douthat



Ross Douthat joined The New York Times as an op-ed columnist in April 2009. His column appears Tuesday and Sunday, and he co-hosts the New York Times podcast The Argument. Previously, he was senior editor at The Atlantic and a blogger for theatlantic.com.

Douthat is the author of *The Decadent Society*, forthcoming in March 2020. His other books include *To Change the Church: Pope Francis and the Future of Catholicism* (2018), *Bad Religion: How*

We Became a Nation of Heretics (2012), *Privilege: Harvard and the Education of the Ruling Class* (2005), and co-author with Reihan Salam of *Grand New Party: How Republicans Can Win the Working Class and Save the American Dream* (2008). He is the film critic for *National Review*.

He lives with his wife and three children in New Haven, Connecticut.

Thursday, Feb. 6

7:30 p.m.

Capstone Building

Public Panel Discussion

Religion and Politics

Friday, Feb. 7 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Russell House, ODK room



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