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Monday, April 9, 3 p.m.

When Cultures Collide: The Future of Civilizations in Conflict

Moderator: Paul Powers, Associate Professor of Religious Studies and Department Chair

Some scholars say that growing interdependence between countries is a recipe for hostility. Will this lead to a transnational collision of cultures? Or will strife within cultures prevent such sweeping global conflict?

Hans Köchler is the university professor chair for political philosophy at the University of Innsbruck, Austria, and the founder and president of the International Progress Organization. His work has helped to shape the concept of a dialogue of civilizations since 1972, when he coined the term. Köchler's research has focused on U.N. reform and the relationship between Islam and the West.

Shireen T. Hunter is a visiting fellow at the Center for Muslim-Christian and the director of the Carnegie Project on Reformist Islam at Georgetown University. She previously worked as assistant to the undersecretary for political and international affairs at the Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Her current research focuses on reformist Islam.

Monday, April 9, 7:30 p.m.

Up in Arms: The Future of Military Force in International Peace and Security

Moderator: Paula Abrams, Professor of Law

For the past 50 years, military power has played an important role in global security. But will this hold true for the next 50? Will a militarized approach deter future threats? Or are foreign aid, diplomacy, and other tactics a better path to a peaceful future?

Ralph Nader is a six-time U.S. presidential candidate, political activist, author, and attorney. Throughout his career Nader has started or inspired more than 40 nonprofit organizations and written over 30 books. He is especially active in the areas of consumer protection, humanitarianism, environmentalism, and democratic governance, and he has served on the faculties of American University School of Law and Hartford University.

Jamie Fly is the executive director of the Foreign Policy Initiative. Fly served in the Bush administration at the National Security Council, where he focused on the Iranian nuclear program, Syria, missile defense, chemical weapons, and other counterproliferation issues. He has also worked at the World Bank, the Council on Foreign Relations, the American Embassy in London, and the U.S. Senate.

Tuesday, April 10, 3:30 p.m.

Which Price Is Right? The Implications of Free and Fair Trade for Global Development

Moderator: Heather Smith-Cannoy, Assistant Professor of International Affairs

Which types of trade policies will bridge the development gap? Will free trade open countries to the benefits of a global economy? Or will fair trade price-setting policies put countries on the right track?

Juan Carlos Hidalgo is a Latin America policy analyst at the CATO Institute in Washington, D.C. He studies the economies of Latin America and their future implications for the United States. His articles have been published in Al Jazeera, the Huffington Post, and the BBC. He specializes in U.S. trade policies and Latin American affairs.

Alastair M. Smith is a research assistant at the Centre for Business Relationships Accountability, Sustainability, and Society at Cardiff University in Wales. He is the founder of Fairness UK, a collaborative network for academics and practitioners to discuss fair and alternative trade policies, and he has researched fair trade and in Guatemala and Peru.

Tuesday, April 10, 7 p.m.

Power to the Peaceful? The Utility of Violence in Social Movements

Moderator: Cari Coe, Assistant Professor of International Affairs

Recent movements, from Occupy to the Arab Spring, have sought to hold governments accountable for their actions. Is the use of violence critical to their success? Or is nonviolence a vital key to maintaining legitimacy and enacting meaningful change?

Stephen Zunes is professor of politics and international studies at the University of San Francisco, where he chairs the program in Middle Eastern Studies. He is also a senior policy analyst for the Foreign Policy in Focus project of the Institute for Policy Studies. His research has focused on social movements in the Middle East and North Africa, U.S. foreign policy, international terrorism, and human rights.

Stathis Kalyvas is the Arnold Wolfers Professor of Political Science and director of the Program on Order, Conflict, and Violence at Yale University. He has received several awards for his publications on conflict and democracy and has held prestigious research grants through the Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation and the United States Peace Institute, among others.

Wednesday, April 11, 3:30 p.m.

Youthful Excess: Is There Danger in Demographic Divides?

Moderator: Monica Miller, Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow in Religious Studies

What are the consequences of the "youth bulge"? Will a disproportionately large population of the young and unemployed stir trouble and cause violence? Or does it depend on how one views the problem?

Jack A. Goldstone is the Virginia E. and John T. Hazel Jr. Professor at the George Mason School of Public Policy and the director of the Center for Global Policy. He has served as a consultant for the U.S. State Department, intelligence agencies, and the U.S. Agency for International Development. Goldstone has written numerous books and articles on revolutions, social movements, and changes.

Anne Hendrixson is the global consultant at the National Collegiate Inventors and Innovators Alliance. She was previously the assistant director at the Aids2031 project, a commission of UNAIDS, and has been coordinator of the Population and Program at Hampshire College. Hendrixson has published extensively on demographics, AIDS, and global health.

Wednesday, April 11, 7p.m.

Global Warning: Forecasts for Diplomacy in the Wake of Natural Disasters

Moderator: Jessica Kleiss, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies

Are natural disasters an opportunity for diplomacy or an ingredient for the perfect storm? Does disaster relief enable states to forge or strengthen partnerships, or do they increase inequalities and insecurities that can potentially lead to conflict?

Ilan Kelman is a senior research fellow at the Center for International Climate and Environmental Research. He has worked with several research centers focused on the environment, capacity building, and development, including the Centre for Risk in the Built Environment at Cambridge University and the National Center for Atmospheric Research. Kelman has studied disasters all over the world and has written numerous pieces on disaster diplomacy.

Philip Nel is professor of politics at the University of Otago in New Zealand. He has published many books and articles, in addition to editing the International Studies Association's journal Foreign Policy Analysis, and serving on the editorial boards of the journals Global Society, International Studies Perspectives, and Political Studies. Nel has taught in Germany, Japan, and South Africa