February 25, 2011 1:15pm until 4:45pm
Taylor Room 306

BUILDING KNOWLEDGE IN AND OF AFGHANISTAN

What are the origins of knowledge about Afghanistan?

What are the characteristics and problems with knowledge about Afghanistan?

What is the relationship between academic knowledge, national policies and popular understandings of Afghanistan?

How does Afghanistan's deep history effect nationalism in the country today?

JMU ALUMNI AND PHD STUDENTS **JOHN MILLER** AND **BILLY WARNER** WILL LEAD THE DISCUSSION

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PANEL **ONE** LANGUAGE AND EDUCATION
1:15 - 2:00 PM

Ashley Sako
Pashto as a National Language and the Myth of Pashtun Dominance

Farid Zareie
The Role of Language in Defining Afghan Nationalism

Ross Andrew Hawkins
The Influences of Historical Precedents in Primary Education on Afghan Nationalism

PANEL **TWO** THE CONTEMPORARY PERIOD
2:00 - 2:45 PM

Zachary David Rolfe
Roads in Afghanistan and Their Relation to Nationalism in Afghanistan

Rebecca Leigh Hall
Afghan Nationalism in the Context of Women's issues and International Aid

Break: 2:45-3:15 PM

PANEL **THREE** THE HELMAND VALLEY PROJECT
3:15-4:00 PM

Samantha Houdek
State-led Nationalism in a Nation-less State: The Helmand Valley Project and Afghanistan's Cotton Industry

Maria Cambone
Modernization, Development, Nationalism, and the Helmand Valley Project

Jonathan Joseph Reed
Neocolonial Activities Within Afghanistan During the Cold War

PANEL **FOUR** NATIONALISM AND HISTORIOGRAPHY
4:00 - 4:45 PM

Saman Rafid Nasser
Afghani's Pan-Islamism, Mahmud Tarzi and Nationalism in Afghanistan 1880-1929

David Mount
The Role of Pashtuns in the Afghan Political System and Its Effects on Afghan Nationalism 1880-1929

Jawan Shir Rasikh
Nationalism: State-Elites and Historiography 1901-1929

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