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University of Saint Mary Professors to Reflect on the Impacts of 9/11 for 10th Anniversary of Terrorist Attacks

6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7, Mabee Auditorium



(Leavenworth, Kan.)—Commemorating the 10th anniversary of the harrowing events of 9/11, University of Saint Mary instructors will participate in a panel discussion at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7, examining the impacts of the terror attacks on six academic disciplines.

The event, sponsored by USM's Lawrence D. Starr Global Studies Institute (GSI), will be held in Mabee Auditorium on the USM campus in Leavenworth, 4100 South 4th Street.

The discussion is free and open to the public.

"The Sept. 11 attacks changed our country. It changed the world," said Dr. Ken Mulliken, GSI director and chair of USM's department of history, political science & global studies. "It also changed academia. This discussion will help explore how both 9/11 and the ensuing reaction to and fear of terrorism changed a variety of academic disciplines, both in what gets taught and how it gets taught."

USM speakers at the event are educators from a variety of disciplines: criminology, information technology, chemistry, history, and art. The panelists include Dr. Bryan Le Beau, USM's academic vice president and a historian.

"9/11 is one of those events that has helped define a generation," Dr. Le Beau said. "We tend to look at it from the obvious perspective of national security, but as has become clear—and as this panel will demonstrate—it has impacted many other areas of our lives, as well."

Dr. Mulliken added that USM's GSI is dedicated to broadening global perspectives. "If we can help people better understand—not necessarily the motivations behind the attacks—but the reactions to them, we promote global understanding and we further GSI's mission," he said.

Call (913) 758-6117 for more information.

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