

Michigan State University hosts conference on global radicalism

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Keynote speakers include Frank Furedi, professor of sociology at the University of Kent and author of "Politics Of Fear: Beyond Left And Right" (Continuum Press, 2005), and Michael Barkun, professor of political science at the Maxwell School, Syracuse University, and author of "A Culture of Conspiracy: Apocalyptic Visions in Contemporary Politics" (Harvard University Press, 2006). Barkun will present "American Apocalypticism and Conspiracy Theories - Beyond Left and Right?" at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, in the Kellogg Center Auditorium.

"MSU is uniquely suited for an academic conference on global radicalism," says Arthur Vershbas, professor of writing, rhetoric, and American cultures. "The new international journal JSR: Journal for the Study of Radicalism is edited and published at MSU, there is considerable MSU faculty expertise in this area, and MSU Libraries hosts on admission to the keynote lectures and paper presentations is free and open to the public. Conference registration is required for individuals wishing to receive conference materials, a copy of the Journal for the Study of Radicalism and banquet tickets.

The conference is sponsored by the College of Arts and Letters; the American Studies Program; JSR: Journal for the Study of Radicalism; the American Studies Graduate Student Association; the Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies; the Office of the Provost; and the MSU Press.

