

RELIGION DEPARTMENT PRESENTS 9/11 LECTURE SERIES

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GAINESVILLE—UF's religion department is hosting the lecture series "Religion, Transnationalism and Violence After 9/11" to help the community understand the changes in the religious world since September 11. Speakers Steven Vertovec and Mark Juergensmeyer, who were originally scheduled to participate in a lecture series last fall that was canceled due to the events of September 11, will provide a larger theoretical and academic context for understanding some of the religious consequences of the aftermath of September 11.

Steven Vertovec's lecture, "Religion and Transnationalism After 9/11," will consider how our understanding of the dynamics of religion, migration and transnationalism has changed since September 11. Vertovec is a research reader in social anthropology at Oxford University. He also serves as director of the Research Program on Transnational Communities. His speech will be held on September 9 at 2 p.m. in the Friends of the Music room in the University Memorial Auditorium.

Mark Juergensmeyer will analyze the post-September 11 understanding of global religious violence in his speech "Global Religion and Global Violence After 9/11." Juergensmeyer is a sociology professor at the University of California at Santa Barbara and director of the Global and International Studies Program. His lecture will take place on October 18 at 10 a.m. in the Friends of the Music room in the University Memorial Auditorium.

Both lectures are free and open to the public.