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Wednesday, February 1st, 2017
11:30pm – 12:30pm
McHenry 0266 (Ground Floor)

There will be an informal Brown Bag Lunch with Dr. Crews after the talk.

The Global Refugee Crisis, Terror, and the 'Clash of Civilizations'
This talk will examine (and critique) the persistence of 'civilizational' modes of approaching contemporary political controversies in global politics. Focusing on the ongoing refugee crisis, it will highlight alternative ways to think about religion, region, and humanitarianism.

Robert D. Crews is an historian whose research and teaching interests focus on Afghanistan, Central and South Asia, Russia, Islam, and Global History. A graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, he received an MA from Columbia University and a PhD degree in History from Princeton University. His work has recently appeared in Foreign Affairs, Foreign Policy, and The New York Times. His course offerings include “The Global Drug Wars,” “The Islamic Republics: Politics and Society in Iran, Afghanistan, and Pakistan,” and “Modern Islamic Movements.” His latest research project explores Shia politics in Afghanistan.