OU forum, 'Nukes and Your Future,' to examine threats of nuclear weapons

Oakland University will host "Nukes and Your Future," a student and community forum that will examine the threats posed by nuclear weapons in today's world, from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 3 in Room 1050 of the Human Health Building.

"We are delighted that Oakland University can once again play host to a conversation about an important issue that is on the minds of many people today," said <u>David Dulio, Ph.D.</u>, professor and chair of the <u>Political Science Department</u> at Oakland University.

"Given the recent heightening of tensions between the United States and North Korea, this is the perfect time to engage in dialogue about this issue," he added, noting that the U.S. may spend up to \$1 trillion in the coming years to modify and update its nuclear weapons-related systems.

According to Dulio, the forum will feature a panel of experts who will speak about the threats and challenges that the global community must confront to address the growing rhetoric from Washington, Moscow, Pyongyang, Beijing and other nations about the acceptance of developing more nuclear weapons and using them as a tool of statecraft.

"This is an opportunity for students, faculty and staff at OU, as well as members from the surrounding community, to engage in dialogue about the issue of nuclear weapons in today's world," he said.

Panelists include:

- Dr. Frederic Pearson, director of the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies and professor of Political Science at Wayne State University;
- Dr. Anthony Perry, director of the Democracy Institute Consortium, and Political Science instructor at Henry Ford College;
- Dr. Alvin Saperstein, professor emeritus of Physics at Wayne State University;
- Dr. Prasad Venugopal, professor of Physics at the University of Detroit-Mercy;
- Dr. Laura Landolt, associate professor of Political Science at Oakland University.

The forum is being presented by Oakland University's <u>Professional and Continuing Education (PACE) Department</u> in conjunction with the Democracy Institute Consortium along with the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies at Wayne State University.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit the "Nukes and Your Future" Facebook page. To register, contact PACE at 248-370-3177 or oupace@oakland.edu



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