Presents

Dr. David Trim

David Trim is an early modern military historian at Newbold College, U.K and a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society. He has held visiting fellowships at the Huntington Library, the Folger Shakespeare Library, the University of Reading, (UK), and the University of California at Berkeley. He is presently a Visiting Professor at Pacific Union College (California, USA) and is editor or co-editor of six books. He is currently completing work on a co-edited history of European warfare, 1350-1750. Dr. Trim will discuss the concept of 'humanitarian intervention' which is widely thought to be a creation of the early 1990s. He will discuss how at the dawn of modernity (c.1585-1715), when international law was being formulated, princes often did threaten or use force against regimes which ill-treated minority populations. The talk will also trace the emergency of ideas of 'liberalism', 'civilization', and 'humanity rights' in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, ending with the adoption of the UN Charter.

On

“Humanitarian Intervention in Historical Perspective”

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Gladfelter Hall, 9th Floor, Russell Weigley Room

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