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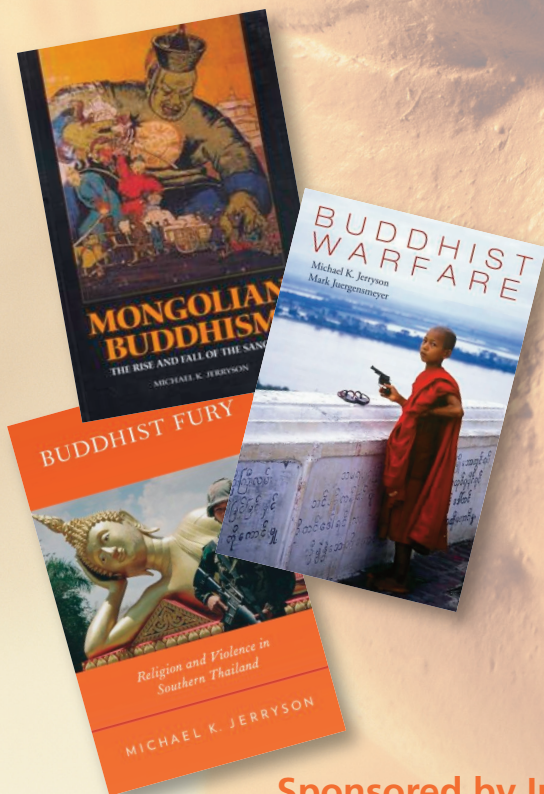
Monday, March 25
5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Pauling Hall 216

**Event is Free and
Open to the Public**



Speaker
Professor Michael Jerryson
*Assistant Professor of Religious
Studies, Eckerd College*

Michael Jerryson is the author of *Buddhist Fury: Religion and Violence in Southern Thailand*, which offers a critical analysis of the Buddhist dimensions to the on-going conflict in southern Thailand. Since his work on the genocide of Mongolian Buddhist lamas in 1998, Jerryson has examined the role of Buddhist traditions in conflicts. Co-editor of *Buddhist Warfare* and the recent *Oxford Handbook of Religion and Violence*, he looks at the intersections between identity and violence and the ways in which we associate religious identities with peace and violence. In many ways, Buddhist-inspired violence may seem like an oxymoron, yet there is a robust history of Buddhist revolts, just-war theory and violence in Asia. Michael Jerryson is an Assistant Professor of Religious Studies at Eckerd College and earned graduate degrees from University of Wisconsin, Madison and the University of California, Santa Barbara.



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