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**USM Global Studies Institute Hosts
Discussion: 'Building Peace in the Midst of War'**

7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, 2005

(Leavenworth, Kan.)— The University of Saint Mary Lawrence D. Starr Global Studies Institute will host its first 2005-06 town-hall style Foreign Policy debate, "*Building Peace in the Midst of War*" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, featuring guest speaker Brad Grabs. The discussion will take place in the Saint Mary Social Room, second floor of Saint Mary Hall on the University of Saint Mary Campus, 4100 S. 4th Street Leavenworth, Kan. Admission is free and open to the public.

Grabs has much to share with the Saint Mary community. In fact, as part of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, Grabs spent six months in a remote jungle village of Columbia working as an international accompanier for the Peace Community of San Jose. The Peace Community of San Jose strives to resist aggressions caused by the brutal Columbian civil war.

The Lawrence D. Starr Global Studies Institute is a professional, academic organization dedicated to examining global integration and promoting attitudes, policies and practices that foster peace and justice. The institute regularly brings in guest speakers for lectures which are open to the public. Recent topics have included: America's Role in the Global Economy, Security Threats in Our Hemisphere, Energy Choices and Environmental Challenges, Immigration: Legal and Illegal, and U.S. Foreign Policy, the Department of State and the Heartland of America. Visit <http://gsi.stmary.edu> to learn more about the University of Saint Mary's Starr Institute.

Call the University of Saint Mary Lawrence D. Starr Global Studies Institute at 913-758-6117 for more information.

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