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University of Saint Mary Global Studies Institute Hosts Lecture – ‘Democracy & Women: Is Sisterhood Global?’

(Leavenworth, Kan.)— In today’s ever shrinking global society, the United States is aggressively promoting democracy world-wide. But does the U.S. always consider the opinions of non-U.S. citizens in foreign countries? What about the role of women in the effort to shape democracy? What can be done to improve communication with women?

Dr. Natalie Riegg will discuss these thoughts and more when she presents her Foreign Policy debate-style lecture, “Democracy and Women: Is Sisterhood Global?” at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26 in the USM Social Room. Admission is free and open to the public. Riegg’s presentation is part of the University of Saint Mary Lawrence D. Starr Global Studies Institute Lecture Series. Call 913-758-6117 for more information.

Riegg serves as visiting professor of political science and global Studies at the University of Saint Mary. She received her doctorate degree from the University of Yerevan in Armenia, and did post-doctoral studies at the Institute for Philosophy of the Russian Academy of Sciences. She taught in Armenia and Russia for 14 years. She also founded and headed a non-governmental organization “Women’s Dialogue” in Armenia. Riegg came to United States in 1998 as a Senior Fulbright Scholar. She has been associated with USM since 2004.

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 hosts 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.

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