Building a Brazilian Democracy Is Topic of Feb. 4 UNH Lecture

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DURHAM, N.H. -- The New Hampshire International Seminar Series continues Friday, Feb. 4, with a lecture by Frank McCann, University of New Hampshire professor of history.

An expert in Brazilian and Spanish-American history and U.S.-Latin America relations, McCann will present "Fernando Henrique Cardoso: A Philosopher-President and the Building of Brazilian Democracy" at 4 p.m. in room 334 of the Memorial Union Building. The lecture is free and open to the public. Doors open and refreshments begin at 3:30 p.m.

McCann, a four-time Fulbright-Hays recipient, will be joined in discussion by UNH colleagues Todd Eisenstadt, assistant professor of political science, and Julia Rodrigues, assistant professor of history and women’s studies.

McCann’s current research includes a comparison of Brazil and the United States as Western Hemisphere giants, the biography of Brazilian general Goes Monteiro, and the Amazon frontier region of Roraima. His major publications include "Soldiers of the Patria: The Brazilian Army 1889-1945" and "Modern Brazil: Elites and Masses in Historical Perspective." His book, "The Brazilian American Alliance 1937- 45," won the Stuart L. Bernath Prize and an honorable mention in the Bolton Prize Competition.

His talk is part of the UNH Center for International Education (CIE) lecture series, which asks the political question, "Is the world really moving towards democracy?"

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