

FALL 2012 CHINESE STUDIES PUBLIC TALKS



Wednesday, November 14, 3:00 P.M. Moore Hall 423

QIAO Mu

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"China's Media: From Mouthpiece to Marketplace— Change and Continuity"

In addition to speaking about China's media, Dr. Qiao will also speak about the effects and limitations of social media in China's 2011 grassroots election.

About the speaker: Dr QIAO Mu is an associate professor of political communication and the Director of Center for International Communication Studies at Beijing Foreign Studies University (BFSU). He specializes in comparative media and political studies, social media's role in social transformation, and political participation. Prof. Qiao was an independent candidate in the 2011 Beijing district congress election and was the second-highest receiver of votes with a write-in ballot in the one-winner election in his electoral district. As an advocate of civil rights in China, he has organized many events, written extensively, and has often been interviewed on the media. Prof. Qiao obtained his PhD in political science from Tsinghua University in 2002 before joining BFSU. He conducted post-doctoral research at Asia Research Center, London School of Economics (LSE), during 2005–06. He was formerly a policy analyst at Beijing Society for Comparative International Studies during 1997–99, and was a media officer at Beijing Municipal Office for Foreign Affairs during 1995–97. Dr Qiao's has written a monograph (in Chinese) titled *The Dragon in the Eagle's Eyes: U.S. Media Coverage of China and U.S.-China Relations after the Cold War.*