The UNIVERSITY of OKLAHOMA
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presents

“State of Syria and the Role of American Leadership”
A Panel Discussion with

Joshua Landis
Associate Professor and Director of the OU Center for Middle East Studies

Afshin Marashi
Associate Professor and Farzaneh Family Chair in Iranian Studies

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Featuring

Ambassador Kurt Volker
McCain Institute for International Leadership

Friday, October 19
11:30 am
College of International Studies
Hester Hall Room 170

Kurt Volker is Executive Director of the McCain Institute for International Leadership, part of Arizona State University. He served as U.S. Ambassador to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) from July 2, 2008 until May 17, 2009 - spanning the transition from the Bush to the Obama Administrations. His tenure at NATO saw Russia’s invasion of Georgia, the ramp up of military efforts in Afghanistan, the return of France to NATO’s military structure, the enlargement of NATO to 28 members, and NATO’s 60th Anniversary Summit in Strasbourg, France. Since leaving government, he has been involved with a variety of think-tank and business consulting activities. He remains active as a Senior Advisor to the Atlantic Council, and a Senior Fellow with the Center for Transatlantic Relations at Johns Hopkins University’s School of Advanced International Studies.

Seating is limited.
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