

George Fox: Can U.S. Military be smaller, more modest?

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CATO Institute's VP speaks at George Fox on foreign policy, military

Topic: "Solving America's Power Problem: Why a More Modest Foreign Policy and a Smaller Military Will Keep us Safe and Free."

By George Fox University

Public invited to hear author, media personality Christopher A. Preble free of charge on March 14

Christopher A. Preble, the vice president for defense and foreign policy studies at the CATO Institute, will visit George Fox University for a speaking engagement on Wednesday, March 14, on the school's Newberg, Ore., campus. A guest of George Fox's Department of History and Political Science, Preble will speak from 7 to 8 p.m. in Room 105 of the Hoover Academic Building. The topic of his session is "Solving America's Power Problem: Why a More Modest Foreign Policy and a Smaller Military Will Keep us Safe and Free."

The public is invited to the presentation free of charge.

Preble, an author and media personality who has appeared on CNN, MSNBC, Fox News, NPR and the BBC, among other media outlets, was a commissioned officer for the U.S. Navy and served aboard the USS Ticonderoga from 1990 to 1993. Most recently, he authored the book The Power Problem: How American Military Dominance Makes Us Less Safe, Less Prosperous and Less Free, in which he argues and documents the enormous costs of America's military power, and poses a new grand strategy to advance U.S. security.

His other books include John F. Kennedy and the Missile Gap, which explores the political economy of military spending during the 1950s and early 1960s; Exiting Iraq: How the U.S. Must End the Occupation and Renew the War against Al Qaeda; and Terrorizing Ourselves: Why U.S. Counterterrorism Policy is Failing and How to Fix It, which he co-edited. Additionally, Preble has published more than 150 articles in major publications, including USA Today, the Los Angeles Times, the Financial Times, National Review, The National Interest, the Harvard International Review and Foreign Policy.

He holds a doctorate in history from Temple University. Prior to joining the CATO Institute in February 2003, he taught history at St. Cloud University and Temple University.

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