Ussama Makdisi, Associate Professor of History and the first holder of the Arab-American Educational Foundation Chair of Arab Studies at Rice University, speaks on "Anti-Americanism in the Arab World: A Brief History" on April 16, 2008, at the Mershon Center for International Security Studies. The event was co-sponsored by the Department of History and the Middle East Studies Center.

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