



**Juan R.I. Cole, Richard P. Mitchell Collegiate Professor of History at the University of Michigan, speaks on "Can Ayatollah Sistani's Alternative to Khomeinism Survive?" on October 8, 2008, at the Mershon Center for International Security Studies.**



**Juan Cole (left) meets John Mueller, Woody Hayes Chair of National Security Studies at the Mershon Center. Mueller is currently working on a book under contract with Oxford University Press called *Atomic Obsession: Reactions and Overreactions to Terrorism*.**



**Juan Cole (left) speaks with Carter Findley, Humanities Distinguished Professor of History at The Ohio State University, after the lecture. Cole is an expert on the relationship between Islam and the West. Findley is working on a book called Turkey: Islam, Nationalism and Modernity.**