



Mershon Center Director Craig Jenkins (at podium) introduces Ian Hurd, a scholar of international politics and law at Northwestern University, on January 28, 2015, at the Mershon Center.



Hurd spoke to about 60 people on "The Politics of the International Rule of Law" as part of the Woody Hayes Speaker Series.



Hurd examines the international rule of law as a political system, one which distributes power, authority, and obligation among actors. He explores these effects across a series of recent disputes that show the distinction between legality and illegality is being constructed through judicial processes, legal interpretation, or power politics.



A leading theorist of international relations, Ian Hurd is head of the International Organizations section of the International Studies Association and interim director of the International Studies Program at Northwestern University.



Ian Hurd (center) spoke with Christopher Gelpi (right), Chair of Peace Studies, after the event.