

UNCA History Department Presents:

MAKING HUNGER HISTORY:

Global Famine and What Historians Can Do About It



"The United Nations estimates that food production will need to increase by 100% in the next 30 years to feed the global population."



Dr. Douglas Palmer (UNCA class of 1996) is Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Walsh University. He returns to his alma mater to inspire students of the past to take action for a better future. In his view, the voice of historians is more important than ever. Students of history must have a "seat at the table" with scientists, social scientists and policy makers in order to best respond to the major issues of the 21st century.

Dr. Palmer graduated from UNCA in 1996 with a degree in history where he was the Phi Alpha Theta Award winner and president of the PAT chapter. He then earned his MA from the University of Oregon and a Ph.D. in history from Ohio State University. He was a Fulbright Scholar in 2001-2002 at the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands and then a Research Fellow at the Center of Law and History at Emory University.

He has been at Walsh University in North Canton, Ohio since 2005 where he has been a professor of history, Chair of the Division of Humanities, Executive Director of Global Learning, Associate Dean of Academic Innovation and now is the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Dr. Palmer looks forward to returning to UNCA. He has fond memories of classes with Drs. Rizzo, Spellman and Hardy. He believes his greatest accomplishment at UNCA was organizing an epic croquet match which pitted the history department against the philosophy department. The historians, naturally, triumphed.

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Laurel Forum,
Karpen Hall

This event is free and open to the public

