The Curriculum in Peace, War, and Defense
announces a talk on:

"Understanding and Misunderstanding Sunzzi’s (Sun tzu) Art of War"

By Peter Lorge
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Hamilton 569, Feb. 25, 5:30-7:00PM

Peter Lorge teaches Chinese and Military history at Vanderbilt University. He specializes in 10th and 11th century Chinese military history and thought, and is the author, most recently, of Chinese Martial Arts: From Antiquity to the Twenty-First Century (Cambridge), and editor of The Five Dynasties and Ten Kingdoms (Chinese University Press). He has two forthcoming edited volumes: Debating War in Chinese History (Brill) and, with Kaushik Roy as editor, Chinese and Indian Warfare: From Classical Times Until 1870. His earlier books include War, Politics and Society in Early Modern China, 900-1795 (Routledge, 2005) and, The Asian Military Revolution: From Gunpowder to the Bomb (Cambridge, 2008). He is currently working on a history of Chinese military thought and a translation of Sunzi’s Art of War that will include the complete eleven commentaries. In 2004 he won the Harriet S. Gilliam Award for Excellence in Teaching. He has also appeared on CNN to discuss contemporary Chinese military issues.

In addition, Dr. Lorge will provide a guest lecture on Feb. 26 on the invention and use of gunpowder in medieval China, entitled “Finding Gunpowder and Losing A Revolution.” The lecture is for Hist 351, in Hamilton 100, 11-12 a.m. There is plenty of additional seating, and guests are welcome.