



Leonardo A. Villalon, Director of the Center for African Studies and Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Florida, spoke on "Negotiating Democracy in Muslim West Africa: Sahelian Trajectories."



Leonardo Villalon spoke at the Mershon Center for International Security Studies on April 28, 2009, as part of the Islam and Democracy speaker series. He is author of *Islamic Society and State Power in Senegal* and *The Fate of Africa's Democratic Experiments: Elites and Institutions*.



Leonardo Villalon (center), spoke with Ohio State Associate Dean of Humanities, Julia Watson (left), about his work on contemporary politics in Senegal.



Bill Liddle (right), Professor of Political Science, invited Leonardo Villalon (left) to meet with his honors undergraduate class to discuss democratization in the Muslim world.



Leonardo Villalon speaks to undergraduate students about issues of Islam, politics, and democratization in the Sahelian countries of Senegal, Mali, and Niger.