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UMSL will host conference on war

"Understanding and Coping with the War in Iraq," a free and public conference featuring several workshops and lectures, will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday in the Century Rooms in the Millennium Student Center at the University of Missouri at St. Louis.

The event, sponsored by the Greek Studies Program at UMSL, will examine the effects of war on individuals and will use history to gain perspective on current events.

Individuals may attend the entire conference or select specific workshops.

"The conference will promote understanding of modern mentalities of war, through the framework of Greek culture.

"Studies have shown that the psychology of the soldier, both active and veteran, has remained the same since Homer," said Michael Cosmopoulos, the Hellenic Government-Karakas Foundation Professor of Greek Studies at UMSL.

Call 314-516-6241 or visit www.greekstudies.org for more information.