The School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures and the Department of Germanic Studies cordially invite you to attend the following lecture:

“Go East, Young Viking!”
Scandinavian Influences in the Rise of the Kievan Rus’ from the Eighth to the Tenth Century

By Dr. James Pasternak
Rochester Institute of Technology,
Department of Modern Languages and Cultures

Date: Thursday, December 5th
Time: 2:00 pm
Room: Multipurpose Room, St. Mary’s Hall

Dr. Pasternak will focus on the role that early medieval Scandinavians played in the development of the first Russian state at Kiev. He will analyze the tripartite influence Scandinavians had on extra-territorial societies as traders, colonists, and warriors. His talk will trace the development of historical events from the perspective of various primary sources. The presentation will focus on the period from arrival at Ladoga to Novgorod through the ascendance to power at Kiev from the eighth through the tenth centuries.