



*In collaboration with UM's Department of
International Studies*

“Chile and the Student Movement: From Continuity to Confrontation”

**An informal discussion with Dr. Robert Funk,
Universidad de Chile**



After a twenty-year period of center-left Concertación rule, in 2010 Chileans elected a new government led by Sebastián Piñera. This change of government would prove to be a crucial test for the consolidation of Chile's democracy. While the handover has gone smoothly, Piñera's first two years have been marked by social unrest, student protest, and division within both main coalitions. The presentation

will explore some possible reasons for these tensions, and suggest that the real crisis in Chile today is one of representation. As a result, the Chilean political class is immersed in discussions over renovation and reform.

Dr. Robert Funk received his Ph.D. from the London School of Economics in 2004. He has taught at the Universidad de Chile and American University, among others. He is currently the Deputy Director of the Universidad de Chile's Instituto de Asuntos Públicos and an Associate Professor.

Thursday, February 9th, 2012

12:15—1:30pm

Memorial Room 125D, UM

This event is open to UM students and a light luncheon will be served before the talk.

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