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**ATAA ORGANIZES LECTURE ON "THE POLITICIZATION OF ARMENIAN ISSUE: EXAMINING THE USES AND ABUSES OF HISTORY"**

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**Assembly of Turkish American Associations**

*Presents lecture on*

**"The Politicization of Armenian Issue:  
Examining the Uses and Abuses of History"**

***The Reality of the Armenian Tragedy & the Question of Genocide***  
**by Professor Michael Gunter**

Tennessee Technological University

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***1915: Politicization, Radicalization and Reconciliation***

**Dr. Christopher Gunn** Coastal Carolina University

**Wednesday, May 25, 2016**

**6:00pm-8:00pm**

**Turkish Coalition of America (TCA) Headquarters**

**1510 H St. NW Suite 900,  
Washington, DC 20005 ([map](#))**

**Program**

6:00pm-6:30pm: Reception

6:30pm-7:30pm: Lecture

7:30pm-8:00pm: Q&A

***RSVP required: [events@ataa.org](mailto:events@ataa.org)***

**Michael M. Gunter** is professor of Political Science at Tennessee Technological University, an internationally recognized scholar, and a well-published specialist on the Kurds, Turks, and Armenians. Gunter earned his B.A. in American history in 1964 from Columbia University. He went on to receive his M.I.A. from Columbia's School of International and Public Affairs in 1966. In 1972, he received his doctorate in international relations from Kent State.

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