Faculty Seminar Presentation, October 4, 2011

**Samina Hadi-Tabassum** presents
**Slavoj Zizek: Why He is My Absolute Favorite Living Philosopher**

**Abstract:**
Slavoj Zizek is a Slovenian philosopher and critical theorist working in the traditions of Hegelianism, Marxism and Lacanian psychoanalysis. He has made contributions to political theory, film theory, and theoretical psychoanalysis. Yet, the younger generation identifies with him as well when he writes about popular culture and cinema and when he exhibits his not-so-refined use of the English language with strings of expletives. At one point, the Boston Globe quoted him stating that he would rather write for an Abercrombie & Fitch catalog than secure tenure as an American academic—even though Zizek has been publishing on a regular basis in journals such as Lacanian Ink and In These Times in the United States, the New Left Review and The London Review of Books in the United Kingdom, and with the Slovenian left liberal magazine Mladina. Who is this postmodern philosopher?