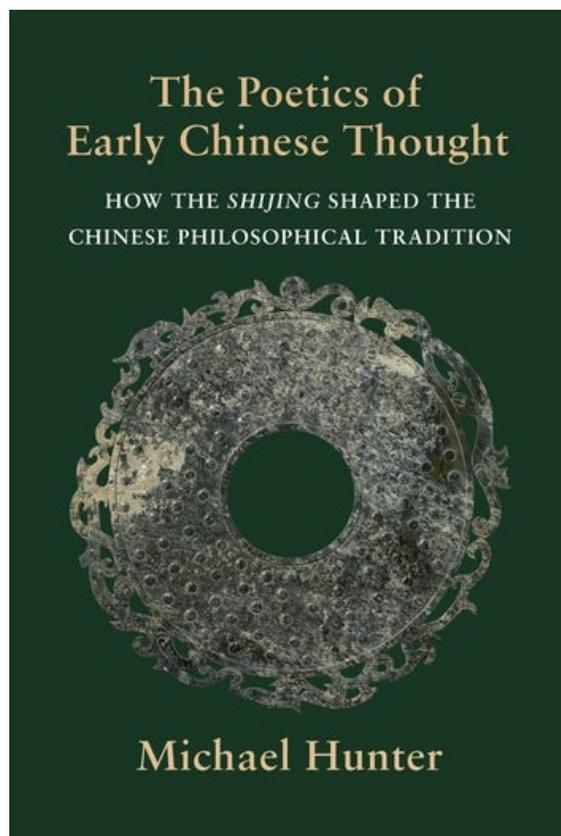




EARLY CHINA SEMINAR
LECTURE SERIES

Early Chinese Thought via *Shijing* 詩經

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In *The Poetics of Early Chinese Thought: How The Shijing Shaped the Chinese Philosophical Tradition* (Columbia UP, 2021), I have argued that scholars and students of early Chinese thought should pay a lot more attention to *Shi* 詩 poetry. Not only were the *Shi* the most widely known texts from the Warring States into the early empire, but they also espouse a more-or-less coherent ideology that had a profound influence on early authors. In this talk, I will summarize that argument before venturing a *Shi*-centric reading of the *Zhuangzi* 莊子, starting with the leviathan-turned-bird at the opening of chapter one, “Free-and-easy Wandering.”

February 11, 2022, 4:30–6:30pm EST (virtual)

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