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Completing his Ph.D. at Harvard University, he joined the faculty at Georgetown in 1984. University service has included two terms as chair of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, and one term as chair of the University’s Rank and Tenure Committee. In the summer of 2005 and again in the spring of 2006 he moved to China as Presidential Advisor on International Initiatives with special responsibility for academic exchange in Asia. He designed and continues to chair the Georgetown Conference on Korean Society (<http://www3.georgetown.edu/departments/sociology/resources/gcks>), now with a special research and publishing effort looking to the future of the U.S/Korea Alliance.

Beyond the university, he brings his interests in Sociology and International Relations to the U.S. State Department, the Council on Foreign Relations in New York City, Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) fora, and the International Sociological Association. He chairs the weekly Korea Seminar at the Foreign Service Institute at State, and is active at the Council on Foreign Relations. He has served as Executive Secretary and then President of the Economy and Society Research Committee of the International Sociological Association. Conference papers and contributions to the Track II Dialogue in APEC reflect growing interest in emerging regional dynamics, particularly the rapid development of knowledge economies.

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