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Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University Special Lecture

"China's Foreign Policy and Sino-Japanese Relations in the Post-Deng Xiaoping Era"

Lecturer: Professor Ezra F. Vogel



Ezra Vogel, the Harvard Professor Emeritus who took Japan by storm with his book "Japan as Number One", is also a long-time China scholar. With the current volatility of Sino-Japanese relations and Japan's place in global society becoming less certain, Professor Vogel's seminar is an opportunity to think about the future of the global community and our place in it.



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Ezra Vogel

Lecturer Profile

Ezra F. Vogel is a Henry Ford II Professor of the Social Sciences Emeritus at Harvard University.

In 1958, he completed his PhD at Harvard in sociology. After graduation, he spent two years in Japan studying the Japanese language and the Japanese family. He began studying Chinese at Harvard in the fall of 1961 and has been doing research both on China and Japan ever since. Professor Vogel became a professor at Harvard in 1967. In 1972 he became John Fairbank's successor as head of Harvard's East Asia Research Center. He was director of Harvard's Fairbank Center and the founding director of Harvard's Asia Center. From 1972 he became founding director of the undergraduate concentration of East Asian Studies

In 1993-1995 he served during the Clinton administration as the National Intelligence Officer for East Asia on the National Intelligence Council.

He has received an Imperial decoration and awards from the Japan Foundation, the US-Japan Foundation, and a lifetime achievement award by the Boston Japan Society. He has received ten honorary degrees.

Professor Vogel is the author of 'Japan as Number One' (1979) that became a best seller in Japan and of 'Deng Xiaoping and the Transformation of China' (2011) that became a best seller in China.



Professor Vogel, as a "Kabosu Ambassador", has close ties with Oita, and is also an APU Academic Advisor.