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**NSB library presents ‘China in the 21st century’**

After an early history as a major power, China spent the last century and a half as a “sleeping giant” – a minor player in the international system. China has once again taken her place as a major player. Can the legacy of her earlier record as a great power be prologue to her foreign policy in the 21st century?

Dr. Robert Bledsoe, a lecturer and professor emeritus at the University of Central Florida, will take on this topic at 2 p.m. Monday, March 18, at the New Smyrna Beach Regional Library, 1001 S. Dixie Freeway.

Dr. Bledsoe is a charter faculty member of Florida Technological University (now UCF) in 1968 and founder of the Department of Political Science. He has served as department chair, interim associate dean for research and graduate studies of the College of Arts and Sciences, acting chair of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, founder and director of the International Studies Center, and acting director of the Asian Studies Program. His teaching and research interests include security and foreign policy, international relations and public international law.

Reservations are not required for the free program. For more information, call 386-424-2910, option 4.

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