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**Foreign Models and Institutional Change:  
A Study of China's Civil Service Reforms**

Thursday, September 16, 4:00-5:30 pm

Maple Room, Indiana Memorial Union  
900 E. 7th Street, IU-Bloomington Campus

The last three decades have been a period of twin transformations in China. On the one hand, Chinese institutions – economic, political and social – have undergone dramatic changes. On the other hand, China's linkages with the outside world have become ever broader, deeper and more complex. China's external engagement has influenced its internal reforms in many ways. In this talk, Dr. Wang will discuss one aspect of this connection – the role of foreign models in shaping institutional change in China. Specifically, she will examine how Chinese reforms have critically incorporated the norms and practices of foreign (mostly Western) civil service systems in designing China's new civil service. This case study helps to shed light on the dynamics of international norm diffusion and institutional transfer.

The event is free and open to the public. No RSVP necessary.

