

**Edward Friedman**  
**Professor, Political Science Department**

**Academic and Professional History:**

- Graduated Phi Beta Kappa Magna Cum Laude in Political Science at Harvard University in 1968.
- Has held the Hawkins Chair as Professor of Political Science at the University of Wisconsin, Madison from 1999 to the present where he has also served as Chairman of the Center for East Asian Studies.
- A specialist in Chinese politics who chaired the China and Inner Asia Council of the Association of Asian Studies.
- Served on the staff of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Foreign Affairs in 1981, 1982, and 1983 where his duties included oversight visits to rural development projects in Nicaragua and El Salvador and to Indonesia and Malaysia.
- In 1984 he was advisor to a United Nations Development Program project in China on integrated rural development. In 1991 he worked in Albania on a land reform project linked to USAID.

**Research Focus:** Professor Friedman's specialties include the politics of change in rural China and international political economy. He has worked for the past 25 years at the interface between resource management and government programs.

**Graduate Training Focus:** Dr. Friedman's approach to political science is one of problem solving and to prepare graduate students, puts a great deal of emphasis on multidisciplinary. With his students he has visited rural China 33 times beginning in 1978. Students regularly come from China to study with him.

**Current Research Support:**

- Grant to hold a conference on Globalization. 2000. \$35,000.
- Educational Grant to strengthen Chinese studies at UW. 2001. \$100,000
- Grant to organize an international conference. 2002. \$60,000

**Select Publications:**

- *Chinese Village, Socialist State* (Yale University Press, 1991 which was awarded the prize for best book on modern China by the Association of Asian Studies. The book was translated into Chinese (Zhongguo xiangcun, shehuizhuyi guojia) and published in Beijing in spring 2002.
- He has given seminars on rural China to both the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences Institute for Rural Development and Peking University's Chinese Center for Economic Research. His articles have appeared in all the leading professional journals as well as The New York Times, Far Eastern Economic Review, and UW-China Business Review
- May, 2002 distinguished international lecturer at Nanjing University's commemorative graduation celebrating 100 years since its founding
- Revolution, Resistance and Reform in Village China is forthcoming from Yale University Press.