“Confessions of a Political Scientist: 46 Years in Academia”

Wednesday, April 27, 2016
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in BRNG B212

Please join us for his exciting new “tell-all” last lecture/luncheon by Professor Bert Rockman before he retires from Purdue’s Political Science Department. He offers some thoughts from his lengthy experience in academia and the think tank world about the nature of life in universities and their governance, about the transformations in political science over several decades, and about the motivations for doing political science and the passion and dispassion necessary to do it well.

Bert Rockman is currently Professor of Political Science at Purdue University and was a Visiting Scholar for the 12-13 AY in the Political Science Department at the University of Pittsburgh. He was Head of the Department at Purdue from 2005-2012. Previous to that, he had been Director of the School of Public Policy and Management (now The John Glenn School of Public Affairs) at Ohio State University. He also held The University Professorship in Political Science at the University of Pittsburgh at which he also held appointments in the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs and as a Research Fellow in the University’s Center for International Studies. Rockman also has been a Senior Fellow in the Governmental Studies Program of The Brookings Institution in Washington.

He has authored or edited 16 books and has published well over a hundred journal articles and book chapters. He has recently co-edited and contributed to an edited volume on the Obama presidency, and is now working on a book on health care policy and politics. He has presented papers on the U.S. health care reform in Berlin and The Hague.

Rockman’s body of work focuses mainly on executive politics, including the bureaucracy and the presidency, and the policy process. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan.

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