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# Across the Pacific: The United States and China in Historical Perspective



Madame Zhuo Lin, Rosalynn Carter, Deng Xiaoping and Jimmy Carter at the arrival ceremony for the Vice Premier of China. - NARA - 183155 - Category: 1979 Deng Xiaoping visit to the United States - Wikimedia Commons (U.S. National Archives and Records Administration)

*As tensions rise between the United States and China in the 2020s, a historical perspective on American trans-Pacific relations is invaluable. This talk will touch upon early American involvement in the China trade, then addressing the rise of imperialism in Asia, the political transformations of China, the watershed of World War II, the twin challenges of decolonization and the Cold War, and increasing economic integration. It will explore how the United States and China have navigated disagreements and conflicts in the past, offering valuable context for understanding the present challenges.*

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