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“Obama v McCain – Who Will Win, Does it Matter?”

A lecture to be delivered by Ambassador Derek Shearer

Chevalier Professor of Diplomacy and
World Affairs and Director of Global Affairs
at Occidental College in Los Angeles, U.S.A

Ambassador Derek Shearer will provide an “insider” analysis of the upcoming US Presidential election. He has served as a senior advisor to many Democratic candidates for President, including Bill Clinton in 1992 and Al Gore in 2000. He co-authored the Clinton-Gore campaign program Putting People First. In the current primary season, he has been a foreign policy advisor to Senator Hillary Clinton. He also knows Senator Obama, the Democratic nominee, who studied at Occidental College in Los Angeles where Ambassador Shearer holds the Chevalier chair in Diplomacy. He was a university classmate of the current US President George Bush, and has worked with Republican Senators on international matters while serving as US Ambassador to Finland. He writes regular political commentary for The Huffington Post, the leading political and cultural website in the United States.

Ambassador Shearer will explain how the American public views the two candidates, Senators Obama and McCain; what the key issues are in the race; what factors might determine the outcome of the election; and what policy outcomes might result, depending on which man wins the Presidency. He will also explain the role of the media and special political action groups in affecting the outcome of the contest.

Thursday 18 September
6.30pm

Theatre GM15, Level 1
Melbourne Law School
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