

2026 AAUW Great Decisions Schedule

All meetings are at the White Rock Library starting at 2pm except for the February 10 meeting which will begin at 1pm.

1. America and the World: Trump 2.0 Foreign Policy

Trump's "America First" approach creates risks of isolation and diminished influence. *By G. John Ikenberry*

2. Trump Tariffs and the Future of the World Economy

Trump's aggressive trade and tariff policies have implications for multilateral trade and geopolitics. *By Michael Mastanduno*

3. U.S.-China Relations

Tariffs, military modernization, and pressure on Taiwan--Does Trump have a coherent China policy? What are America's strategic options? *By Oriana Mastro*

4. Ruptured Alliances and the Risk of Nuclear Proliferation

U.S. alliance skepticism may drive countries like Japan and South Korea to reconsider nuclear options. How will countries make decisions about security and nuclear weapons?

By Gideon Rose

5. Ukraine and the Future of European Security

With reduced U.S. support for NATO and Ukraine, Europe faces strategic uncertainty. What are America's stakes in NATO and Europe's strategic dilemmas, and how might Europe respond? *By Thomas Wright*

6. Multilateral Institutions in a Changing World Order

Can multilateralism survive amid shifting global power and rising nationalism? Global cooperation across trade, health, and finance are at risk. *By Scott Bessent*

7. U.S. Engagement of Africa

Africa's geopolitical role is growing. What lessons can the U.S. learn from China's presence there, and how might it strengthen ties, especially with leading nations like Nigeria? *By Jendayi E. Frazer*

8. The Future of Human Rights and International Law

As democracy and human rights retreat globally—and the U.S. pulls back—how can civil society and legal norms remain effective in a divided world? *By Jose Enrique Alvarez*

Jan 27	U.S. Engagement of Africa #7	Denise George
Feb 10	Ukraine and the Future of European Security #5	Karin Roberts
Feb 24	Trump Tariffs and the Future of the World Economy #2	Judy Prono
Mar 10	The Future of Human Rights and International Law #8	Carol Neal
Mar 24	America and the World: Trump 2.0 Foreign Policy #1	Mona Wecksung
April 14	Ruptured Alliances and the Risk of Nuclear Proliferation #4	JoAnn Lysne
April 28	Multilateral Institutions in a Changing World Order #6	Debby Hyman
May 12	U.S. China Relations #3	Marilyn Doolen

