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Students explore policy challenges, solutions at the Baker Institute

College students are increasingly engaging in policy matters, demonstrating a keen awareness of how policy impacts individual lives in meaningful ways. At Rice, students are invited to take advantage of the Baker Institute's many opportunities for involvement. "The Baker Institute Student Forum fosters debate around important domestic and international policy issues and ensures that students' interests are reflected in the institute's programs," says [Edward P. Djerejian](#), the institute's director. [READ MORE](#)

"Although government debt growth has not noticeably harmed the U.S. economy, debt cannot grow inconsequentially forever. All existing debt must eventually be repaid with interest, and as these interest outlays rise, market behavior will begin reflecting the impending fiscal response."

[Jorge Barro](#), fellow in public finance, in [Long-term Sustainability of U.S. Government Debt Growth](#)



The repercussions of partial or full West Bank annexation by Israel

Legislative efforts and public discourse in Israel have increasingly trended toward unilateral annexation of West Bank territory. According to [Gilead Sher](#), the Isaac and Mildred Brochstein Fellow in Middle East Peace and Security in Honor of Yitzhak Rabin, extending Israeli sovereignty over Jewish settlements in the West Bank outside the framework of an agreement bears significant risk to Israel's national security, international reputation and economic prosperity. [READ MORE](#)

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Upcoming Events

Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Brexit: Implications for U.S. Private Enterprise. Attorney James Tumbridge, an advisor to the United Kingdom's prime minister and Cabinet Office, examines Brexit's economic impact and opportunities at this McNair Center for Entrepreneurship and Economic Growth event.
Oct. 16 | 5:30 pm

National Health Care Reform: Strategies for Slowing Cost Growth. Four leading health economists discuss how to reduce costs while improving access to high-quality health care at the Center for Health and Biosciences' seventh biennial conference on health care reform. **Nov. 8 | 8:00 am**

A Bold New Era of American Science and Technology. Kelvin K. Droegemeier, Ph.D., director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy and science advisor to President Donald Trump, discusses advances in science and his plans to promote collaboration between the government, industry and academia.
Nov. 12 | 5:30 pm

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