



## “Western Values and the New Global Depression”

A lecture from Professor James Kurth at the University of Virginia

**Charlottesville, VA – March 27, 2009** – The Intercollegiate Studies Institute (ISI), a national educational organization headquartered in Wilmington, Delaware, will host **Professor James Kurth**, the Claude Smith Professor of Political Science at Swarthmore College, at the University of Virginia. Professor Kurth will address “Western Values and the New Global Depression” at the Center for Christian Study, University of Virginia, on Friday, April 3, 2009 at 7:00 PM. The lecture is sponsored by the Intercollegiate Studies Institute and the Center for Christian Study.

**Who:** James Kurth, Claude Smith Professor of Political Science, Swarthmore College

**What:** “Western Values and the New Global Depression”

**Where:** The Center for Christian Study, University of Virginia, 128 Chancellor St.,  
Charlottesville, VA 22903

**When:** Friday, April 3, 2009 at 7:00 PM

The world is now suffering its greatest economic crisis since the stagflation of the 1970s, and many analysts fear that the severity of this crisis may reach that of the Great Depression of the 1930s. The grave economic crisis is likely to bring great political changes as well, with liberal policies being replaced by more statist policies and even by authoritarian regimes. Some commentators argue that it was Western values -- particularly the free market and liberal democracy -- which produced this crisis. Dr. Kurth will argue, however, that had true Western values been applied, the crisis would never have occurred and that these Western values can now provide the best way out of the storm.

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**Members of the media are welcome and encouraged to attend. For more information about this lecture or ISI, contact Carol Houseal at [media@isi.org](mailto:media@isi.org) or (302) 524-6167.**