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Abstract: In this talk, Professor Schell will do an accounting of those areas where the US and China find themselves in potential disagreement (such as the South China Sea, human rights, and Taiwan, Tibet and Hong Kong) and those areas where there is real potential for collaboration (e.g., climate change, anti-nuclear proliferation, pandemics, and anti-terrorism). He then will give an assessment of how these national interests of the US and China actually share more in common than they diverge from each other.