

Lecture 3

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Reynolds has been very active in research involving new firms, entrepreneurship, and their role in economic change and development. His efforts have included roles in the development of several statewide samples of new firms with follow-ups. Reynolds served as a sociology professor at the University of Minnesota for 20 years and as visiting, adjunct or contributing professor at such universities as the University of Pennsylvania; Nanyang Technical University, Singapore; INSEAD in Fontainebleau, France; and the London Business School.

Reynolds received his Bachelor's in Engineering from Kansas University in 1960, Master's in Business Administration from Stanford University in 1966 and his PhD in Sociology from Stanford in 1969. He has authored or co-authored five conference proceedings, four books, and 60 peer review journal articles or conference proceeding reports.

Lecture Topic:

Entrepreneurship and National Economic Growth:

Recent Findings from the Global Entrepreneurship Monitor Project

In 2002, the Global Entrepreneurship Monitor (GEM) consortium developed cross-national comparisons in the level of entrepreneurial activity across 37 countries. This lecture will focus on the data gathered and will cover the tendency of individuals to participate in business start-ups, the nature of the new firms being created, the relationship to subsequent national economic growth and the national features that appear to be associated with differences in entrepreneurial activity. The lecture will also cover the implications for both entrepreneurs and policy makers that can be developed from this assessment.

Lecture will be held on Friday, November 7, 2003 at 10:00 a.m.

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This series will include lectures by leading entrepreneurs, innovators, and professionals as part of FIU's university-wide initiative to foster new venture creations by students and faculty.

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