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The United States Studies Centre's Professor Geoffrey Garrett will be a commentator on the ABC's upcoming television coverage of the US presidential debates.

Professor Garrett is the founding chief executive of the United States Studies Centre at The University of Sydney. Among the most widely cited political scientists of his generation, Professor Garrett is an expert on American politics and foreign policy, the causes and consequences of globalisation and the impact of China's rise on the US.

He will appear as follows:

Friday 03 October: 11:00am – 12:30pm on ABC TV with Ros Childs
Only vice presidential debate

Wednesday 08 October: 12 noon – 1:30pm on ABC TV with Ros Childs
2nd presidential debate

Thursday 16 October: 12 noon – 1:30pm on ABC TV with Ros Childs
3rd presidential debate

These debates will also be shown on the big screen at the University's Manning Bar.

The foreign policies of the presidential candidates will come under scrutiny in a US Studies Centre panel discussion at the Seymour Centre on Thursday 16 October at 6:30pm. Adults \$20/\$15 Concession.

"The Foreign Policy of Obama & McCain: Which is Australia's Gain?"

Panellists: Kim Beazley (former Deputy Prime Minister), Mike Chinoy (former CNN Asia correspondent), Geoffrey Garrett (US Studies Centre CEO) and Paul Kelly (Editor at Large, The Australian).

For more information visit the US Studies Centre Election 08 website:

www.uselectionwatch.org.au

Professor Garrett and US Studies Centre experts in America: Bruce McKern, professor of international business, and political scientists Professor Simon Jackman and Dr Brendon O'Connor are all available for interview.

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