

# LAMENT FOR AMERICA VS. RENAISSANCE AMERICA: CAN AMERICA COMPETE EFFECTIVELY IN A RAPIDLY CHANGING WORLD?



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Earl H. Fry, professor of political science and endowed professor of Canadian studies at Brigham Young University, will hold the Fulbright Bicentennial Chair in American studies in Finland during the 2011–12 academic school year. Fry directed BYU's Washington Seminar program in the nation's capital during the 2010–11 academic year. His acclaimed book, *Lament for America: Decline of the Superpower, Plan for Renewal*, was published in May 2010 by the *University of Toronto Press*. His current book project is entitled *Renaissance America: A "Best Practices" Blueprint for Restoring U.S. Prestige and Competitiveness*. Fry is the author or co-author of "The United States of America," in *Foreign Relations in Federal Countries* (2009), "The Long Road to Free Trade," *Policy Options* (2007), *The Urban Response to Internationalization*

(Edward Elgar, 2005), *America the Vincible: U.S. Foreign Policy for the Twenty-First Century*, 3rd edition (Pearson, 2005), *North American Economic Integration: Policy Options* (Center for Strategic and International Studies, 2003), and *The North American West in a Global Economy* (Pacific Council on International Policy, 2000). He was recently selected for a five-year term as a member of the Fulbright Senior Specialist Program. Previously he served as a visiting lecturer at the Sorbonne, director of international education and Canadian studies at SUNY Plattsburgh, a Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs Fellow, and as a special assistant in the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR). During his period at USTR, he specialized in international investment issues and in U.S.–Canadian and U.S.–Japanese trade relations.