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DURHAM, N.H. -- On Friday, March 3, the New Hampshire International Seminar Series at the University of New Hampshire will examine the ongoing political revolution in Russia.

"Russian Democracy: Going Forward, Backward or Sideways?" will be presented by Timothy Colton, director of the Davis Center for Russian Studies and Feldberg Professor of Government and Russian Studies at Harvard University, at 4 p.m., in room 334 of the Memorial Union Building.

Colton is one of the country's most respected scholars on Russia's post-Soviet struggle towards democracy, elections and political partisanship. He received his Ph.D. from Harvard, where he has been the Morris and Anna Feldberg Professor of Government and Russian Studies since 1989 and served as director of the Davis Center for Russian Studies since 1992.


The March 3 seminar will also feature Ronald LeBlanc, UNH associate professor of Russian, as moderator, and UNH visiting scholars from Vologda State Pedagogical University -- Vladimir Koshko, professor of civil law, and Igor Kozin, professor of family law -- as discussants. Koshko and Kozin are partners in the Rule of Law Project, a three-year curriculum development initiative involving UNH, Vologda State and Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord.
The presentation is part of the UNH Center for International Education (CIE) lecture series, which asks the big-picture question, "Is the world really moving towards democracy?"

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