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How the war on government led us to forget what made America prosper

What can we do to ensure everyone enjoys the prosperity they contribute to? Come hear political scientist Paul Pierson discuss how an effective government once helped us achieve unprecedented prosperity and how it can now tackle extreme inequality and end racial economic exclusion.

Time: 5:15 pm

Venue: Citizen Engagement Lab
1330 Broadway, 3rd Floor, Oakland

RSVP: haasinstitute.berkeley.edu/thinkingahead

Event includes: a social mixer, finger food, beer/wine, music, and discussion time! Free event. RSVP in advance.

Emcees:

Jessica Bartholow, Western Center on Law and Poverty
Mark Gomez, Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society

Paul Pierson is a political science professor at UC Berkeley who studies the role of government in fostering extreme inequality and shared prosperity. His commentary has appeared in *The New York Times Magazine*, *The Washington Post*, and *The New York Review of Books*. His most recent book, co-authored with Jacob S. Hacker, is *American Amnesia: The Forgotten Roots of Our Prosperity*.

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