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PRESENTATION**

Wednesday  
**October 2**

1:30 p.m.  
Cunningham Memorial  
**Library**  
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# **THE LONG WAR ON DRUGS**

In 2023, more than 107,000 Americans died of a drug overdose, the first decrease in overdose deaths since 2018. American drug policy makes little sense. The war on drugs has not worked, yet most parts of it persist. Enter the world of ISU History Professor Dr. Anne Foster's new book, *The Long War on Drugs*, as she explores the long history of both drug use and drug control in the United States. Learn why people still take drugs and why politicians still pursue a war on drugs even when everyone agrees it does not work.

**DR. ANNE FOSTER**



Anne L. Foster is professor of history at Indiana State University since 2003, where she teaches courses on U.S. foreign relations and imperial history, the U.S. war in Vietnam, food history, drugs history, and methodology. She earned her PhD (1995) and MA (1991) in History from Cornell University, and her BA in History and International Relations from American University (1987). Her research focuses on the transnational and transimperial history of the United States in Southeast Asia. In 2019 she was visiting fellow at the Roosevelt Institute for American Studies in Middelburg, the Netherlands.

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