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### **Biography**

Professor Andrew Kipnis's research involves social, cultural and political change in contemporary China. He is currently working on several projects, including a comparative study of urbanization, kinship and the commercialization of ritual and a book on urbanization in a mid-sized city in Shandong. Professor Kipnis has recently completed an edited volume titled *Chinese Modernity and the Individual Psyche* and a textbook on *Contemporary Chinese Society*. He has also written books on educational desire and governing, a book on the implications for anthropological theory of issues that arise in the governing of socialist states and a book on patterns of gift giving and social exchange in rural China. He is also co-editor of *The China Journal*.