

conceptualizes successful U.S. management of world affairs not by directly enforcing countries, but by creating competing relationships, which offset one another, in the world's different regions. For example, in the past, Iraq balanced Iran, and currently Japan balances China. Friedman asserts this is the decade where the U.S. as a power must mature to manage its power and balance as an unintended empire and republic.^{[8][9]}

Discipline	Political scientist
Institutions	Dickinson College
 George Friedman's voice	 0:27
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Friedman's latest book was released in 2020 by Doubleday. While originally scheduled to be released in January 2018, it was delayed six times before being released in 2020. The working title was *The New American Century: Crisis, Endurance, and the Future of the United States*,^[10] but has subsequently been changed to *The Storm Before the Calm: America's Discord, the Coming Crisis of the 2020s, and the Triumph Beyond*.

Personal life

Friedman is married to Meredith Friedman (née LeBard), has four children, and lives in Austin, Texas.^[11] He and his wife have co-authored several publications, including *The Coming War with Japan*.^[12]

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