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Professor Houlden served in the Canadian Foreign Service for 32 years, with seven overseas postings. Twenty-two of his thirty-two years in the Canadian Foreign Service were spent working on Chinese economic, trade and political affairs for the Government of Canada including five postings in China. He also served at Canadian Embassies in Havana and Warsaw. His last assignment before joining the University of Alberta in 2008 was as Director General of the East Asian Bureau of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, responsible for Greater China, Japan, the Koreas and Mongolia.

Under Professor Houlden's leadership, the China Institute focused on contemporary China studies, with an emphasis on Canada's trade, investment and bilateral relations with the PRC, as well as regional security issues, including maritime issues involving the Canadian Arctic and the South China Sea. He has for a decade taught China courses for Canada's foreign ministry – Global Affairs Canada.

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