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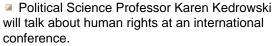
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Karen Kedrowski

ROCK HILL, S.C. - Karen Kedrowski, chair of the Department of Political Science Department at Winthrop University, will present her findings on human rights during a UNICEF workshop on breast milk substitutes July 20-22 in Nairobi, Kenya.

The workshop, titled "Legal Expert Consultation on Overcoming Challenges to Implementation and Enforcement of the International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes," will bring together government officials, attorneys and others to discuss experiences in countries as diverse as the Philippines, India, Brazil and Botswana.

UNICEF encourages all countries to follow the recommendations of the "International Code of Marketing of Breast-Milk Substitutes," which is a World Health Organization document adopted in 1981. It was written in response to formula manufacturers' marketing practices in the developing world, which led to rising rates of infant death and malnutrition by formula fed infants. The code regulates when and how breast formula can be marketed, which companies seek to undermine, Kedrowski said, based on international free trade and human rights issues.

Kedrowski was asked to attend based on a paper she presented last year to the Oxford Round Table on "Women in the Modern World: The Struggle for Equality." Click here to view the paper.

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