

Jacobson to open Women's Studies Roundtables for 2005-06

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Amy Jacobson, who is the founding director of Alfred University's Women's Leadership Center, will open the Women's Studies Roundtable series for the 2005-06 academic year with a presentation on the Women's Leadership Center at 12:20 p.m. Friday, Sept. 2, in the new center, located in The Commons on the AU campus. Jacobson, who began her duties in July, is an attorney who worked in criminal litigation, as an advocate for a women's health association and who most recently was a supervising attorney at Southern Tier Legal Services, based in Olean, where she represented low-income clients who have civil legal problems. A resident of Alfred, Jacobson is co-president of the Alfred Montessori School Board of Directors, has been a guest lecturer in many AU classes and has participated in the Careers in the Common Good program offered by the Career Development Center. She holds a B.A. in political science from Wellesley and her J.D. degree from New York University School of Law. She is a member of the bar in Pennsylvania and New York, and also the federal bar. As director of the Women's Leadership Center, Jacobson is responsible for developing programs that fulfill the Center's mission. The Women's Leadership Center at Alfred University was created a year ago with a \$250,000 gift from an alumna, who wished to remain anonymous. The center is "dedicated to promoting the intellectual and social growth of Alfred University's women students." Women's Studies Roundtables are held the first Friday of each month that school is in session. They are sponsored by the Women's Studies Program, an interdisciplinary minor offered through the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences. Additional information about the Women's Leadership Center and the Women's Studies Program may be obtained from the Alfred University website. <http://www.alfred.edu/wms...>