STRATEGIES FOR HIV/AIDS PREVENTION TO BE TOPIC OF K-STATE'S ADAMCHAK DISTINGUISHED LECTURE MARCH 9

MANHATTAN — An international expert on family planning will speak at Kansas State University as part of the Donald J. Adamchak Distinguished Lecture Series in Sociology.

Willard Cates Jr., president for research at Family Health International, will deliver "Safer Sex from ABC to Z: Strategies for HIV/AIDS Prevention in Youth" at 7 p.m. Monday, March 9, in the K-State Student Union's Forum Hall. The lecture is free and open to the public.

As the organization's president, Cates has guided Family Health International in its research efforts, as well as leading the way in translating those findings into improved health systems under a variety of cultural and financial constraints.

Cates has degrees in history from Yale University and Cambridge University. He also is a graduate of Yale's medical school and has a master's degree in public health from Yale. He has published extensively and received numerous awards and grants. In addition, he serves as an adjunct professor at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Emory University.

The Donald J. Adamchak Distinguished Lecture Series in Sociology, which is sponsored by K-State's department of sociology, anthropology and social work, honors the memory of Adamchak. The longtime former K-State faculty member who was known for his dedication in preparing graduate students for research and for teaching social demography. He also was known internationally as a scholar in the areas of aging and intergenerational support, fertility and family planning; gender relations and the status of women; and knowledge, attitudes and practices regarding HIV/AIDS.