



LABOUR STUDIES

What is Labour Studies?

The Labour Studies Program explains the issues that shape our world: globalization, social and economic equality, power and resistance. We explore how the workplace has changed, why workers organize, and what ordinary people can do about social injustice. We ground theory in practice, with strategies for exercising your rights at work, improving your working conditions, and getting the respect to which all are entitled.

What is unique about Labour Studies at the UM?

Studying Labour Studies at the University of Manitoba provides essential tools and basic knowledge for teachers, union activists, managers, worker advocates, human resource managers, and all working people.

Labour Studies offers a Co-op Option to students in the Advanced degree program that gives students real-world experience in the field of Labour Studies. It enables them to make useful contacts with practitioners and develop career skills by working alongside labour professionals in unions, government offices, NGOs, community organizations, human resource departments and businesses. There is also a 4th Year Field Studies placement course available.

Labour Studies offers a number of scholarships and awards: the Charles Biesick Memorial Scholarship, the People's Co-op Award, the Paul Phillips Memorial Award (jointly with Global Political Economy and Economics) and, as of 2014-15, the William Robert Kernaghan Memorial Scholarship in Labour Studies and the William Robert Kernaghan Memorial Bursary in Labour Studies.

Program Options

B.A. Advanced Major - 4 years
B.A. General Major - 3 years
Minor

Co-op option available in the Advanced degree program

Career Opportunities

Conciliation/Mediation Officer
Employee Advocate
Employment Counsellor
Employment Standards Officer
Labour Market Analyst
Labour Relations Specialist

