Labour Studies students are invited to apply to attend the Annual Mel Myers Labour Conference 2017. This is the year’s most important labour event. Myers Weinberg LLP (the law firm that sponsors the conference) has generously offered us a student rate and we hope to get additional funding from the Faculty of Arts’ Endowment Fund. If we are as successful as we have been in past years, students can attend the conference for free.

At the conference, students rub shoulders with Manitoba labour activists, experts and legal counsel. Workshops bring you up-to-date on the hottest issues being bargained, legislated and struggled over in Manitoba: drug testing, employee surveillance (including internet use) and changes in the Employment Standards code, are just a few examples. Details of this year’s conference can be seen at this URL: http://www.myersfirm.com/melmyers.htm

Students who are enrolled in at least one Labour Studies course are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to students on the basis of the number of LABR courses completed or in-progress. To apply, send an email to Julie Guard with your name, student number, and a list of the LABR courses you have taken in the past and the courses in which you are currently enrolled. Please indicate the year in which you took the course and your final grade in it. Send the email with the subject line: Myers Labour

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Volunteers Needed!
University of Manitoba Open House
Thursday February 23 9 am- 2 pm and 6pm—8pm (parents)

University of Manitoba Open House is an annual open house for high school students. Open House gives participants the opportunity to learn about academic programs, student supports, and to experience what it’s like to be a U of M student.

The Labour Studies Program is looking for volunteers to help out at our table, talking to students and promoting our program. Volunteers who commit to three hour shifts will be offered a small honorarium. If you are interested please contact Abdulrazaki Abu abua@myumanitoba.ca immediately. Tel: 204-962-8227

Students at the University of Manitoba
LABR 1260 Working for a Living
This course examines the theory and practice of collaborative community and labour organizing. We consider specific examples of community-based organizing in Canada and elsewhere to identify the strengths and the limitations of this approach for reviving unions, protecting workers’ rights and advancing social justice.

Dates and class time:
TR 6pm-8:30pm
June 20th – August 3rd

LABR 1290 Introduction to the Canadian Labour Movement
An introduction to the development of the contemporary working-class movement in Canada and to workplace issues today.

Date and class time:
MW 7pm-9:30pm
May 1st – June 14th

LABR 2300 Workers, Employers and the State
This course examines the social, economic and political contexts of work and the relations, rules and structures that shape the interactions between workers, employers and the state. Topics include workers’ and management rights, the rights, obligations and functions of unions, the legal contexts of labour/management relations, and initiatives for increasing equity.

Dates and class time:
TR 6pm—8:30pm
May 2nd – June 15th

LABR 3120 Becoming An Advocate
This course will vary from year to year depending on the needs of students and the interests of the instructor.

Dates and class time:
TR 6pm—8:30pm
May 1st – June 14th

Community Appreciation Event

Reception at Cross Common Room
St John’s College
3:5-3:30 pm, Tuesday, March 7th

Celebrate this year’s Labour Studies Prize Winners:
Abdulrazaki Abu
Raquel Sova
Jennifer Oleson

Meet worker advocates, occupational health and safety professionals, government labour specialists, community, social justice, and union activists, HR professionals and others.

Mingle with potential employers and long-time friends and supporters of the Labour Studies program

Labour Studies Resource Room
Looking for a quiet place to study, read, or relax? Stop by the Labour Studies Resource Room at 115 Isbister.

Please do not remove the library books from the Resource Room.

LABOUR STUDIES TEACHING AND PROGRAM ASSISTANT

Have a question about one of your courses? Need some guidance on how to conduct research or format a paper? LS TA Abdulrazaki Abu is here to help!!!

Drop by 118 Isbister during his office hours or email to make an appointment