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The Labour Studies Newsletter

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Welcome (Back)!

On behalf of the faculty and staff in the Labour Studies Program, welcome back to all of you who are returning for another year of Labour Studies. A warm welcome, as well, to all new Labour Studies students!

I encourage those of you who are taking labour studies courses but have not decided on a major to check out the Labour Studies options. We offer an excellent program with small class sizes and a spirit of community.. Labour Studies provides a general background for students who want a broad, interdisciplinary learning experience with real-life applications.

A Labour Studies degree can also lead to a career. Graduates with our Advanced Major BA have careers as union organizers, representatives and researchers, human relations officers, constituency assistants, Employment Standards Officers, worker advocates, health and safety officers, and in various branches of government. Others work in social agencies, Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs) or business.

Please come to the free pizza lunch in the Labour Studies Resource Room (115 Isbister) on October 6th. You'll have a chance to meet new people and catch up with friends and fellow students in a relaxed setting. The LS Resource Room (115 Isbister) is available for you, as a Labour Studies student, to use, and is an excellent place to study.

Good luck in the coming academic year!

In solidarity,
Julie Guard, LS Program Coordinator

FREE LUNCH!

To welcome students back to the program, we are hosting a free pizza lunch in the labour studies resource room. It's a perfect opportunity to catch up with your classmates and professors.

Thursday, Oct. 6, 11:30– 12:30
LS Resource Room, 115 Isbister

Looking for a place to study?
Searching for reading material?
Need a quiet place to relax?

Check out the Labour Studies Resource Room!

The Labour Studies Resource Room is located at 115 Isbister. Regular hours are:

- Monday to Friday: 9:30-12:30
- Tuesday and Thursday: 2:30-4:30

The room can also be booked outside of regular hours, and is an excellent place to study. Simply follow the instructions on the door to get the key.

Join the

Labour Studies Student Association

- ★ Be part of the LS community
- ★ Advance workers' and students' rights
- ★ Help promote Labour Studies

Contact Brian Latour at umlatoub@cc.umanitoba.ca for more info



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LABR 3110: Human Rights at Work

LABR 3110 *Human Rights at Work* introduces students to the basic human rights protections in Canadian workplaces which have developed as a result of collective agreements, human rights legislation, *The Charter of Rights and Freedoms* and decisions of courts and tribunals. We will identify and assess the relative effectiveness of the tools and structures that have been created to enforce human rights, using actual cases to generate discussion. Key human rights principles such as the meaning of discrimination, protected grounds of discrimination, the duty to accommodate, harassment, undue hardship and bona fide occupational requirements will be considered in the context of employment.

3 credit hours offered over 4 weekends

14 Oct. -5 Nov. 2011

Fridays 6-9pm & Saturdays 9:30am-4pm

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To register, contact Kyla Shead in the Labour Studies office:
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NEWS BRIEFS

Air Canada workers reach tentative agreement

Flight attendants and airline employees at Air Canada represented by CUPE have reached a tentative agreement with their employer. On the eve of the strike deadline Tuesday night, and with the threat of back to work legislation by the government, an agreement was reached

However, the government's threat of back to work legislation is a chilling threat to workers' rights to collective bargaining, particularly as it follows the threat of back to work legislation against CAW members at Air Canada earlier this year, and the punitive back to work legislation invoked during the Canada Post lockout.

Questions? Comments?

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