The Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies supports students and faculty at the University of Washington in the study of labor in all of its facets. Through education and research, our mission is to develop labor studies - broadly conceived to include working people everywhere - as a central concern in higher education. We cultivate connections with labor communities locally and around the world, and inform policymakers about issues confronting workers.

The Center is led by the Harry Bridges Endowed Chair in Labor Studies, a faculty position that rotates every two to four years. Joining the Chair are two staff, an Associate Director and an Assistant Director of Student and Community Engagement. The Center is located jointly in the departments of Political Science and History at the University of Washington Seattle, but works with students and faculty in departments and schools across all three University of Washington campuses.

In Seattle and beyond, students, faculty, workers and activists are centering labor as they respond to the COVID-19 crisis. Please visit labor.uw.edu/covid-19 for information and news about labor-related efforts for reference by faculty, students, and the general public.
We are told throughout our lives that our value and sense of purpose is ultimately tied to the work that we do. Why is that? And how does our labor get exploited along lines of class, race, gender, sexuality, and ability across the world?

If these questions are ones that you are interested in exploring, please take some time to view the variety of Labor Studies courses offered at all three of the University of Washington’s campuses (Seattle, Bothell, & Tacoma)! All of these courses may count towards completion of a Labor Studies Minor, a 25 credit, interdisciplinary program of study that offers an in-depth look at the significance of labor to the economic, political, social and cultural evolution of modern societies.

To find out more about the minor and view our full list of courses, please visit:

LABOR.WASHINGTON.EDU/LABOR-STUDIES-MINOR

or contact Yasmin Ahmed (Minor Adviser) at: ypahmed@uw.edu
The Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies is excited to offer funding to Undergraduate Students seeking to conduct research, fund projects, travel to conferences or events, or contribute to broader community endeavors around labor and social justice. Amounts of $250-350 are available to students who apply, and funding can be used for a broad range of research expenses (travel costs, materials, interview incentives, etc.)

If you are an Undergraduate Student that is interested in conducting a research project, but are unsure of what may be possible, or would like to explore a variety of research topics, please do not hesitate to reach out! We are happy to help you craft your project and let you know of what resources are out there. Please reach out to Yasmin Ahmed, Assistant Director of Student and Community Engagement, at ypahmed@uw.edu or (206) 542-7537 with any questions or to schedule an appointment.

For more information about our Undergraduate Research Grants, including eligibility and required application materials, please visit: LABOR.WASHINGTON.EDU/UNDERGRADUATE-LABOR-RESEARCH-GRANTS

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UNDERGRADUATE LABOR RESEARCH GRANT FUNDING

$250-$350 Awarded to undergraduates seeking to conduct research, fund projects, travel to conferences or events, or contribute to broader community endeavors around labor and social justice.

Applications are accepted and considered on a rolling basis.

Eligibility Criteria: Any Undergraduate student who is currently active and will be active the upcoming quarter. All campuses (Seattle, Bothell, Tacoma) and disciplines encouraged to apply.

To Apply, Please Submit to hbcls@uw.edu:

• A 500-word (maximum) proposal/summary of your project and how it will advance your academic/community engagement with labor issues.
• A brief budget outlining how funds will be spent. Budget proposals that exceed the $350 limit will still be reviewed.
• A copy of your UW Transcript (Unofficial is fine)

PLEASE FORWARD ALL APPLICATIONS & INQUIRIES TO HBCLS@UW.EDU

Post-Award Process: After the completion of your research/conference/project (and/or within a month of using funds) submit a report to the Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies, including results and takeaways.

NEED IDEAS FOR RESEARCH?

Develop a presentation around Harry Bridges & his legacy in US History

Research the effectiveness & impacts of Workplace Organizing trainings

Travel to a Labor Conference, e.g. Labor Notes Conference, April 2020

Collect oral histories from workers and labor activists

Work with other students to create labor history and/or organizing guides and tool kits

WANT MORE RESEARCH IDEAS? NEED HELP WITH YOUR PROPOSAL? SEND US AN EMAIL OR STOP BY THE HARRY BRIDGES CENTER FOR LABOR STUDIES OFFICE:

SMITH HALL, ROOM M266 TUESDAY-FRIDAY, 9AM-3PM
LABOR & SOCIAL JUSTICE SCHOLARSHIPS

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APPLICATION DUE: SPRING 2021

Are you an undergrad passionate about social justice? A graduate student writing a dissertation on a labor-related topic? A busy activist building a student group or union campaign?

You’re in luck! Each year, the Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies awards over $50,000 in scholarships and fellowships to students at the University of Washington. There are ten awards that are available to students at multiple stages of education and experience, from incoming freshmen to senior graduate students. Individual award amounts range from $1,000 to $10,000. Students at any of the three University of Washington campuses (Seattle, Bothell or Tacoma) are eligible to apply.

By filling out our online general application, you will be considered for all Bridges Center Scholarships you qualify for. More information on our scholarships and a link to our application is available at: labor.uw.edu/scholarships-and-prizes

APPLY ONLINE AT LABOR.UW.EDU
Making Trouble Seminar Series
Join UW Tacoma's Labor Solidarity Project for a weekly, online seminar mapping the trajectory of labor activism and scholarship. Presentations are broadcast live each Monday from 12:30-1:20pm via Zoom beginning Monday, October 12th.
REGISTER: https://tinyurl.com/MakingTroubleSeminars

Forum on Women Workers: From Protest to Policy
Thursday, October 22 | 6:00PM-7:15PM | Streaming on-line via Zoom
Eileen Boris reflects on her recent book Making the Woman Worker: Precarious Labor and the Fight for Global Standards, 1919-2019, followed by remarks from policy makers and labor leaders who focus on women's economic security, labor standards, and workplace equity in Washington State.
REGISTER: https://tinyurl.com/MakingtheWomanWorker

Labor Studies Awards Celebration
Sunday, November 15 | 4:00PM-5:30PM | Streaming on-line via Zoom
Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our annual celebration has moved online this year! Please join us for a special evening on Zoom to meet our latest Labor Studies scholarship recipients, learn about the latest research projects, hear from important leaders in the labor movement, and more. Registration for the awards ceremony is free.
REGISTER: https://labor.uw.edu/celebration
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