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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.
"No work is insignificant. All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

The truth of these words has been revealed in the response to COVID-19. Only a few weeks ago, workers in supermarkets, delivery drivers, factory workers, custodians, cleaners and many more were called ‘low-skilled.’ Today, along with health workers at every level, they are the ones holding things together for us all during this crisis.

At the Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies, like many students and faculty at the University of Washington, we are privileged to have the ability to work, teach and learn from home with only some disruption. Our scholarship season will proceed as planned, our courses continue to be offered, and we are working to move our workshares and other events on-line.

But as this crisis continues through the spring, the Bridges Center will strive to center the labor, formal and informal, that enables us all to survive and thrive. We will investigate how that labor is unfairly distributed and highlight how COVID-19 worsens inequalities between workers, along lines of race, gender, and country. And we will share how students and workers can come together, and how students are workers too, who also face unemployment, poor safety conditions, and other challenges.

We believe, if anything good can come out of this crisis, it will be a new social commitment to transforming and strengthening the rights and conditions of workers everywhere.

For more information about labor’s response to COVID-19, visit the Bridges Center’s website: labor.washington.edu/covid-19
LABOR & SOCIAL JUSTICE SCHOLARSHIPS

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APPLICATION DUE: APRIL 12, 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
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
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

(flyer included on next page)
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CENTER FOR LABOR STUDIES

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
couraged 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
**WINTER EVENTS IN LABOR STUDIES**

**Wednesday | Jan 20, 2021 | 5PM**


**Thursday | Jan 28, 2021 | 1:30PM**

*Labor in Times of Crisis Colloquium*: “In Memoriam: María Lugones: A Conversation,” with Dr. Christine (Cricket) Keating

**Thursday | Jan 28, 2021 | 4PM**

*Labor Studies Virtual Social*

**Thursday | Feb 11, 2021 | 5PM**

*BOOK LAUNCH*: Union by Law: Filipino American Labor Activists, Rights Radicalism, and Racial Capitalism

**Wednesday | Feb 17, 2021 | 3:30PM**

*Labor in Times of Crisis Colloquium*: “It’s Not Who You Know, but How You Know Them: An Organizational Perspective on Social Capital and College Access,” with Dr. Julia Duncheon

Due to conditions of COVID-19, all events will be held virtually. Please click on the link in each event listing to find out more / how to register. Please visit labor.washington.edu/research/events for our full Event Calendar!
LABOR STUDIES SOCIAL

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2021 | 4PM-6PM
ONLINE EVENT

ZOOM REGISTRATION REQUIRED:
HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/LABOR-SOCIAL-2021

Join the Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies for our annual meet-and-greet dedicated to networking Labor Studies faculty and students at the University of Washington.

Meet other faculty and students interested in Labor Studies from departments across campus

Learn more about scholarships and research grants opportunities

Learn about internship opportunities with local labor organizations

Meet Seattle area labor leaders

Founded in 1992, the Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies supports research, teaching, and community outreach at the University of Washington in order to promote the study of labor in all of its facets - locally, nationally, and worldwide.

For more information about the Bridges Center or the Labor Studies Social, visit labor.uw.edu, call (206) 543-7946, or email hbcls@uw.edu

To request disability accommodation, contact the UW Disability Services Office, (206) 543-6450 or (206) 543-6452 (TTY), dso@uw.edu
BOOK LAUNCH
UNION BY LAW
FILIPINO AMERICAN LABOR ACTIVISTS, RIGHTS RADICALISM, AND RACIAL CAPITALISM

Thursday | February 11, 2021 | 5 - 7PM
For more information and to register online, visit: tinyurl.com/unionbylaw

Join a panel discussion with

Michael McCann, Author, Union By Law: Filipino American Labor Activists, Rights Radicalism, and Racial Capitalism & Professor, Political Science, UW

Megan Ming Francis, Professor, Political Science, UW

Cindy Domingo, Labor Activist, KDP, LELO, APALA and more

Terri Mast, Secretary Treasurer, Inlandboatmen's Union

Nemesio Domingo, Labor Activist, Alaska Cannery Workers

A reclamation of a long legacy of racial capitalist domination over Filipinos and other low-wage or unpaid migrant workers, Union by Law also tells a story of noble aspirational struggles for human rights over several generations and of the many ways that law was mobilized both to enforce and to challenge race, class, and gender hierarchy at work.

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