

**Call for Proposals**  
**NEW VOICES IN WORK & LABOUR STUDIES WORKSHOP SERIES**  
October 19 - November 13, 2020

The Global Labour Research Centre (GLRC) at York University and the Canadian Association for Work and Labour Studies (CAWLS) invite proposals for presentations at a jointly organized weekly online workshop series, which will take place on selected days from October 19 to November 13, 2020.

Building on the New Voices in Work and Labour Studies stream of the annual CAWLS conference, this online series is designed to promote the scholarship of new scholars (graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, and faculty/researchers in the first five years of their appointment). Our goal is to create a series reflective of the wide range of themes and methodological and theoretical approaches pertaining to the study of work and labour. To encourage the formation of the broadest intellectual community, we welcome proposals on topics including (but not limited to):

- The implications of the COVID-19 pandemic for work, workers, and labour organizations
- Anti-Black racism in workplaces and unions
- Relationships between labour movements and Indigenous workers and communities
- Intersectional analysis of work and of labour movements
- Anti-racist and decolonizing approaches to labour studies
- Worker and union engagement with environmental movements and issues
- Policy approaches and legislative solutions to advancing equity, diversity, and inclusion, and their limits
- Precarity, patterns of inequality amongst workers, and the distribution of paid and unpaid work
- Work, workers, and health, including actions by labour organizations to improve workplace health
- Migration, work, and labour internationalism
- Work and popular culture

The workshop series is designed to provide an interdisciplinary venue for new scholars to share their research ideas in a collaborative and supportive environment. Given the unprecedented hardship presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, we hope that this series can mitigate some of the isolation we are experiencing and offer a space of encounter for emerging scholars to come together and think through their work. Submissions may include dissertation proposals or chapters, major research papers, or course papers. Participants are encouraged to present works in progress.

**Publication of Presentations:**

- Following the workshop series, participants will be encouraged to submit their papers for consideration for publication in a workshop proceedings.

**Deadline for Submissions:** *August 21, 2020*

- For individual presentations, please provide a title and a 250-word abstract of the proposed presentation, along with a short biography, including current position and research interests
- For panel submissions, please provide a title and 250-word summary for the overall session, along with titles, abstracts, and bios for all session participants

Please submit your proposal and supporting information using the following [link](#). Submitters will be notified on the status of their proposal by *September 11, 2020*. For more information about the series, please visit the webpages of the [GLRC](#) and [CAWLS](#).

**Registration:** There will be a sliding-scale suggested registration fee to support the workshop series, with *no registration fees for graduate students or the unemployed*.

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The **Global Labour Research Centre** (GLRC) at York University promotes the study of work, employment, and labour. The Centre's mandate is to support engaged, interdisciplinary, collaborative, and accessible research on pressing issues of economic and social justice.

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The **Canadian Association for Work & Labour Studies** (CAWLS) is an academic association for scholars interested in work, workers, and labour. The mandate of CAWLS is to foster high quality, interdisciplinary labour studies research and teaching; build labour studies networks and community for researchers and students; recognize and celebrate the best labour studies scholarship; and promote labour studies in universities, colleges, communities, and the media.

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