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October 15th, 2020 – November 12th, 2020
On behalf of the Canadian Association for Work and Labour Studies (CAWLS) and the Global Labour Research Centre (GLRC) at York University, it is our great pleasure to welcome you to the New Voices in Work & Labour Studies Workshop Series. The workshop series is designed as a forum to showcase the scholarship of ‘new voices’ in labour studies scholarship, specifically graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and faculty members who have completed their doctoral studies within the last five years. The workshop series is in lieu of the annual GLRC Graduate Student Symposium and the CAWLS Conference at Congress, in an effort to continue online with opportunities for graduate students and emerging scholars despite the COVID-19 pandemic.

This online workshop showcases research on a wide range of issues related to the study of work and labour in a global context. It is our hope that the workshop will provide an interdisciplinary venue for new scholars in the field of labour studies to share their research in a collaborative and supportive environment. Thank you to all workshop participants and to the organizers who have pulled together an excellent programme. We are very excited for this initiative and look forward to a diverse and exciting interdisciplinary workshop series.

Larry Savage, Brock University
President, Canadian Association for Work and Labour Studies

Luann Good Gingrich, York University
Director, Global Labour Research Centre

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**Workshop Organizing Committee**

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Sara Mojtehedzadeh (Toronto Star)  
Welcoming Remarks: Luann Good Gingrich, Director, Global Labour Research Centre (York University)  
Chair: Rawan Abdelbaki (York University) |
| 2:00PM - 3:30PM | Digital Labour, Platform Capitalism and the Gig Economy | Respondent: Mark Thomas (York University)  
Not Our Workplace: Instagramming Young People’s Labour Grievances  
Diandra Oliver (Simon Fraser University)  
Uber Work Arrangements and the Dispossession of Workers  
Rabih Jamil (Université de Montréal)  
“It Is Not Meant to Be Work”: Consent of Privileged Gig Workers to the Degradation of Work  
Youngrong Lee (University of Toronto)  
“There’s Literally No Financial Reward in It”: On Digitization and Musician Labour in Canada”  
Kait Kribs (York University) |
| 3:45PM - 5:15PM | Work and the COVID-19 Pandemic | Respondent: David Camfield (University of Manitoba)  
Community-Based Organization Workers: Precarity and COVID-19  
Mylene Fauvel (Université de Montréal)  
Disaster Capitalism for Alberta Workers: Labour Legislation Changes in Alberta During the COVID-19 Pandemic  
Susan Cake (University of Alberta)  
COVID and the State of Care  
Leanna Katz (Harvard Law School), Rebecca Horwitz-Willis (Harvard University)  
Analyzing the Impact of COVID-19 on Remote Work, Employee Accommodations, and Workplace Culture  
Stefan Karajovic (Ryerson University), Miki Boase (Ryerson University), Harryharan Parameswaran (York University) |
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Low-Wage Work in Canada: Features, Drivers, Comparison  
Sean O’Brady (McMaster University), John Peters (Laurentian University)  
Precarity and Positionality: Towards New Understandings of Workers’ Experiences of Sexual Harassment and Violence  
Adriana Berlingieri (University of Toronto), Tara Paterson (Canadian Labour Congress)  
Bodies, Work, and Power: Occupational Health Mapping with Toronto-based Nail Technicians  
Reena Shaadan (York University)  
Organizing Workers Beyond the Factory Walls: Self-Employed Tenant Shopkeepers in Seoul Subverting Urban Spaces for Workers’ Power  
Yewon Andrea Lee (University of Toronto) |
| 3:45PM - 5:15PM | Transnational Labour Mobilities and Global Capitalism | **Respondent:** Evelyn Encalada Grez (Simon Fraser University)  
Going Global but Staying Local: The Mechanics of a Local Labor Control Regime in Export-Oriented Garment Manufacturing in India  
Salil R. Sapre (Michigan State University)  
Imperatives of Leaving and Returning: The Affective Citizenship of the Filipino Global Working Class  
Dani Magsumbol (York University)  
Essential yet Expendable: Automation, Migration, & the Canadian Food Supply Chain  
Mishall Ahmed (York University)  
Exploring South Asian Settlers’ Heterogeneity in the Context of Specific Immigrant Urban Spatialities of Work, Settlement and Health  
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                               | Dilan Eren (*Boston University*)  
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                               | Leah McGrath Reynolds (*McMaster University*), Mélodie Bérubé (*Sudbury Workers Education & Action Centre*)  
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                               | Fardosa Warsame (*York University*)  
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The Forgotten Labour of Craft: Exploitation and Organizing in Artisanal Industries  
Benjamin Anderson *(Simon Fraser University)*  
Yes, There is Still a Place for Labour Process Theory  
Andrew Wilkin *(McMaster University)*  
Managerial Portraits: Ways of Seeing Organizational Realities and Public Transit Work  
Kritee Ahmed *(York University)*  
Passionate Production: Craft, Professionalism, and Aspirational Labour in RPG Actual Play Media  
Alex Chalk *(York University)* |
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Valuations of Diversity: The Socio-Economic Role of Marquee Quotas in Creative SMEs  
Kim de Laat *(University of Toronto)*, Alanna Stuart *(artist, musician, independent scholar)*  
Precairous Design: Examining the Work Experiences and Organizational Models of Theatre Designers in Canada and United States  
Adam D K King *(York University)*, Conor Moore *(Simon Fraser University)*  
What Happens When the Show Must Not Go On?  
Howard Steinberg *(York University)*  
Gendai CO-OP: Centering BIPOC Perspectives for Racial Equity in the Cultural Sector  
Marsya Maharani *(York University)*, Petrina Ng *(York University)* |
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Sue Sherifali (University of Waterloo)  
The (In)visible Bruises of Working On the Front Lines of Long-Term Care  
Julia Goyal (University of Waterloo)  
Meghan Crouch (University of Waterloo)  
Understanding Health Privacy Concessions in Return-to-Work Management During COVID-19  
Sharanya Varatharajan (University of Waterloo) |
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Christopher Webb (London School of Economics)  
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Tyler Dilnot (York University)  
Chris Fairweather (McMaster University)  
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Paul Christopher Gray (Brock University) |
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