

Work and Labour



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We are offering two Graduate Diplomas in Work and Labour. These diplomas will be aligned with a new Concentration within our existing MA in Political Economy.

The Type 2 GDip allows students enrolled in the Institute of Political Economy's collaborating graduate programs (Master's or PhD) in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences and the Faculty of Public Affairs to include a Graduate Diploma in Work and Labour along with their degree.

The Type 3 GDip is a stand-alone program that allows participants to gain credentials for professional or academic purposes. It targets union staff, activists and leaders with a university degree, working in organizations whose focus is on research and advocacy on issues of economic policy, work and labour rights, social welfare, pensions, health care, immigration and settlement, disability and

inclusion, child care and support to vulnerable people. It will also welcome a broad range of students wishing to work in unions and work-related organizations.

Experiential Learning

Experiential learning will take place in three ways: (a) cross-learning in the classroom that will bring together members of organized labour, work-related organizations and students; (b) institutional placements that will offer students an opportunity to earn academic credit by engaging in research activities under the supervision of professionals in the workplace; and (c) when students working in organizations whose focus is the provision of labour-related activities engage in reflective research about their own practices under the supervision of a cross-appointed professor from the Institute of Political Economy.

Degrees Offered

Graduate Diplomas (2 and 3)

Career Options

The Institute will train future labour leaders, analysts, activists and advocates, as well as offer seasoned practitioners educational opportunities to enhance and develop their practice. The knowledge and skills they gain from this program will enable them to understand and actively participate in careers that focus on work and labour issues.

Fall Application Deadline

August 1 (We strongly encourage you to apply before this date)

Admission Requirements

Type 3 GDip: A four-year BA Honours degree or equivalent in a social sciences or humanities discipline or interdisciplinary program relevant to work and labour or a general BA with relevant working experience in labour issues. We also expect some exposure to critical competencies relevant to the diploma.

Type 2 GDip: Must be enrolled in a master's or PhD program at Carleton University.

MA Concentration: Students interested in the MA in Political Economy can apply to the Concentration in Work and Labour as part of the regular application process for admission to that program.

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