



**LABOUR COLLEGE**  
*of* **CANADA**

## 2013 Intensive Program

# A College for Workers: A Legacy of Leadership

For **50 years** the Labour College of Canada has been a catalyst for leadership in the labour and social justice movements in Canada. Today, it offers a four-week Intensive Program of post-secondary learning for active union members who want to enhance their leadership capacities.

### **Who Should Apply?**

If you are committed to **building a strengthened labour and broader social justice movement**, *this Intensive Program is for you.*

If you think you need a better understanding of the **forces that shape our lives**, *this Intensive Program is for you.*

If you want to **be part of an activist network**, and **develop research and strategic planning skills**, *this Intensive Program is for you.*

If you are an activist with demonstrated **commitment to playing a leadership role** in your union, *this Intensive Program is for you.*

### **For more information and to request an application form:**

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### **2013 Intensive Program Dates**

**Application deadline: November 5, 2012**

**First Session:** May 4-18, 2013

**Second Session:** August 11-23, 2013

## Enthusiastic endorsements from graduates of the Intensive Program



Labour College was a tremendously amazing experience for me. A big thank you to my component, UNE of PSAC for the sponsorship. At first, I thought “Oh dear, four weeks altogether? Will I get through this?” Sure enough, it was intense hard work and lots of reading. Now, if a third session was offered to me, I would jump high and yell “Yes, I want to go!” Labour College helped me discover much about myself and long lasting friendships with sisters and brothers across Canada who inspired and motivated me. The leadership course changed my life and everyone else in the class. I use what I learned every day.

**Jennifer Chieh Ho**

*Regional Vice President of BC and Yukon Region, Union of National Employees of PSAC*



The Intensive Program that the Labour College of Canada has created, by far has been the most dramatic changing event in my life as a labour activist. The faculty created a safe, enjoyable, but intense learning environment that is truly immeasurable. The knowledge, friendships, and a inner strengths that I have gained will forever guide me with fighting for real justice for all working people. This course was the single most challenging endeavour that I have ever accomplished, and I am so grateful for being a part of it.

**Roger Beaudry**

*United Steelworkers, Local 9143*



My Labour College experience was like escaping out of a big bubble and exploring the reality of the labour movement and what it takes to mobilize unionized workers, non-unionized workers and the wider community. Labour College helped me acquire the skills, knowledge and an understanding of my role as a union activist to empower others to take an active role in making change. That empowerment creates leadership, better union activism and, hopefully, a better world for all.

**Donna Mendes**

*1st Vice-President, Nova Local 096, Canadian Union of Postal Workers  
Chair, Human Rights/Anti-Racism Committee, Halifax-Dartmouth & District Labour Council*



I’ve changed since Labour College. They helped me discover my inner leader and inspired me to climb the CUPE political ladder. I am now the GVP (north) for CUPE Alberta thanks to Labour College. It’s the single most challenging endeavour I have ever participated in, and I wouldn’t change it for the world. I now have a new network of lifelong friends thanks to Labour College.

**Mike Scott**

*CUPE Local 30, General Vice President CUPE Alberta*



When I first heard about the CLC Intensive Labour Program, I thought to myself: “this is not for me, I am just a back seat activist. I can’t step up and put my voice out there in front of strangers.” But I went and I must say it was one of the most enriching experiences of my life. The skills and knowledge I took away from the College has been invaluable. I am now as I write this, in the middle of a three day workshop about labour which I am facilitating... who knew?

**Cynthia Turner**

*Donor Services Coordinator for the United Way of Winnipeg, CEP191*



Labour College 2011 was simply one of the most profound experiences of my life. Passing the program was not easy, a lot of work, and often it was downright hard. Together we studied, learned, laughed and sometimes cried. Today we are all much stronger for it. Being enlightened on the threat of neo-liberalism was the big ‘a-ha moment’ for me. Thanks to the instructors and other participants, I now see the world differently, and am on a mission to seek new ways to fight back. Grassroots leadership, activism, resolve and solidarity – that is our recipe for success!

**Eric Leukert**

*National Education Chairperson, CAW Local 2182; Sitting Member, N.L. Federation of Labour Education Committee*