What participants are saying about our 2014-15 on-campus programs...

Very fun, informative, and lots of resources provided.

The instructors were very knowledgeable about the subjects they taught.

Very interactive and "hands on." I learned a lot from all the speakers and have ideas to take back to our union.

I will be better able to help my coworkers. I now know where to go to find information on both contract issues and current labor issues. What I learned this week has me motivated to become more involved.

Great information! I've been a steward and union officer for over 26 years, and I still learned useful information.

About the Labor Center

The Labor Center is a unit of The University of Iowa's Division of Continuing Education. Its mission is to provide educational programs and resources to Iowa workers and their unions.

The Labor Center offers courses for union members on The University of Iowa campus. Each year we conduct a series of open-enrollment, non-credit short courses and seminars—see inside for this year’s calendar.

We also travel to your union hall or community to provide classes on a wide range of topics which can be tailored to the needs and priorities of your union.

Our staff can also provide research assistance and technical information to unions.

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The Labor Advisory Committee regularly meets with Center staff to plan and promote labor education in Iowa. Current members:

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OPTION 1: Attend Classes at The University of Iowa

Courses for Union Members, 2015-2016
presented in cooperation with the Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO

Advanced Steward School .................................................. Sept. 10-11
Iowa Public Sector Collective Bargaining ............................... Oct. 19-20
Financial Officers’ School .................................................... Dec. 3-4
Collective Bargaining ......................................................... Feb. 2-4
Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) ............................... Feb. 18-19
Workers’ Compensation ..................................................... March 10-19
Labor Short Course ............................................................ April 25-29

Information and Registration for Courses on Campus
Courses held on campus feature instruction provided by Labor Center staff and university faculty as well as invited experts from the labor movement, the legal field, and relevant government agencies. Detailed fliers and registration information for each program will be distributed to mail-receiving officers and posted on our website prior to each program. Please register at least 21 days in advance.

For more information or to register, call 319-335-4144 or visit www.continuetolearn.uiowa.edu/laborctr.

Standard per-person registration fees:
one-day schools=$100
two-day schools=$150
three-day schools=$200
five-day schools=$300

Lodging options will be available either on site or at nearby hotels (lodging/meal costs are not included in registration fees unless specifically noted). English-Spanish interpretation is available for all programs with advance notice.

OPTION 2: Let the Labor Center Come to You

Host a Labor Center Class
Customized for Your Union
Labor Center instructors are available to travel to your community to conduct programs at times and places convenient for your members. Call to discuss setting up a class for your local union: 319-335-4144.

Fees for Off-Campus Classes
Customized classes are offered to Iowa unions for a fee of $250 per day, plus the cost of materials. A reduced fee sliding scale is available to locals experiencing financial hardship. Call for information on out-of-state fees.

Central Labor Council Programs
Under a unique statewide education program, each Iowa Central Labor Council (CLC) is eligible to receive financial sponsorship from the Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO, to hold up to four Labor Center classes per year. Contact the Labor Center for details.

Spanish and Multilingual Programs
Classes may be delivered in multiple languages through simultaneous interpretation. Programming in Spanish is also available. Call for details.

Sample Class Topics
Topics listed below are examples of classes offered to Iowa unions on a regular basis. The Labor Center also offers classes on a wide range of other relevant topics by request, and can customize or combine topics to create a course to suit your local union. Give us a call to discuss the possibilities: 319-335-4144.

Arbitration
Building Solidarity
Building Trades Union Issues
Child Labor

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