

Confronting Global Capital: Strengthening Labour Internationalism and Transnationalism in Canada Today
 McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario – October 12-14, 2017

Prospective Programme

THURSDAY 12 OCTOBER

Opening Event: 5:30-9pm

Transnationalism at Work: Hamilton, Steel, and Globalization (Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre)

FRIDAY 13 OCTOBER

<p>9:00-10:30</p> <p>Plenary</p>	<p align="center">Framing Labour Internationalism CCE 212/213</p> <p align="center">Kim Scipes (Purdue), Nathalie Guay (CSN), Winnie Ng (Good Jobs Coalition), Mike Palacek (CUPW), Katherine Nastovski (McMaster)</p>		
<p>10:45-12:15</p> <p>Panels</p>	<p>1A Institutional Labour Internationalism CCE 212</p> <p>Nathalie Guay "The ITUC at Ten: Making Another Internationalism Possible?"</p> <p>Thomas Collombat "Reviewing the First Decade of the Trade Union Confederation of the Americas"</p> <p>Robert O'Brien "Bridging the Local: SIGTUR and 21st Century Labour Internationalism"</p>	<p>1B North America as a Space for Labour Solidarity CCE 110</p> <p>Richard Roman and Edur Velasco Arregui "Worker Competition and Solidarity in North America: Historical Experiences and Prospects in the Time of Trump"</p> <p>Cirila Quintero Ramirez "The Freedom of Association in Mexico and International Unions"</p> <p>Dan LaBotz "The Election of Donald Trump and its Impact on Labour"</p> <p>Raul Burbano "Trinational Fightback against NAFTA"</p>	<p>1C Thinking Labour Internationalism Historically CCE 213</p> <p>David Goutor "Labour Internationalism in Historical Perspective: The Role of the Spanish Civil War."</p> <p>Louise Casselman "Latin America Solidarity Group 1965-1997: Relevant Lessons for Today."</p> <p>Thierry Drapeau "An Unknown Shiver Agitates the Two Worlds': The First International in Global Context"</p> <p>Rebeka Tabobondung "Towards an Indigenous Internationalism across the Americas: Reflecting on the Third Encounter."</p>
<p>14:00-15:30</p> <p>Panels</p>	<p>2A Building North-South Political Solidarities CCE 212</p> <p>Mostafa Henaway "Labour Solidarity with Palestine: Comparing English Canada and Québec"</p> <p>Farid C. Partovi "Building International Solidarity: Iran's Experience"</p> <p>Adou Appiah "North-South Relations: The Case of Canadian and Ivorian Unions."</p> <p>Reynaldo Velazquez and Heide Trampus "Solidarity with Cuban Workers in the New Economy."</p>	<p>2B Organizing Transnationally CCE 213</p> <p>Nathalie Guay "International Trade Union Alliances to Challenge Multinationals"</p> <p>Luis L. M. Aguiar "The Justice for Janitors Model, Transnational Union Partnerships, and Organizing Service Workers"</p> <p>Amélie Nguyen "Inter-Union Solidarity: The Challenges and Opportunities of Alliances with Peasants, Environmentalists, Indigenous and Feminist Movements."</p> <p>Vanisha Sukdeo "Regulating Labour and Capital: Corporations in a Transnational Context."</p>	<p>2C Opportunities and Limitations of International Company Networks: The Tenaris-Ternium Case CCE110</p> <p>Jorge Garcia-Orgales (USW)</p> <p>Julia Soul (Labour Centre CONICET Argentina)</p> <p>Robert Goose (USW 7226 Calgary)</p> <p>Carlos de Sanctis (Assistant General Secretary - UOM Seccional Campana Campana, Buenos Aires)</p>

<p>15:45-17:15</p> <p>Panels</p>	<p>3A Race, Gender and Labour Internationalism CCE 212</p> <p>Katherine Nastovski “Race and Class in the Making of Canadian Labour Development Aid” Chris Ramsaroop and Adrian Smith “Farm Workers and Labour Solidarity: Reflections on the SAWP Programme” Lygia Sabbag Fares Gibb and Ana Luiza Matos de Oliveira “Inequality in working time: An International Trend” Dave Bleakney and Aziz Choudry “International solidarity / Migrant worker organizing: Building connections, pollinating struggles”</p>	<p>3B Building Solidarity: Sectoral Cases CCE 213</p> <p>Andrew Gibson “Labour Internationalism and Global Garment Supply Chains: Evaluating Best Practices in Latin America” Alia Karim and Kevin Brice-Lall “Solidarity is Sweet”: Building Labour Internationalism Between Guyana’s Sugar Workers and the Canadian Labour Movement” José Antonio Vital Galicia “International Campaign Against Health Privatization” Euan Gibb “Global Framework Agreements”</p>	<p>3C Defending Public Services: Canadian and Colombian Workers on the Frontlines CCE 110</p> <p>Louise Casselman (PSAC) Evert Hoogers (CUPW)</p>
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SATURDAY 14 OCTOBER

<p>9:00-10:30</p> <p>Panels</p>	<p>4A The Trinational Coalition of Education Workers DBHSC 2036</p> <p>Mariluz Arriaga (UNAM) Larry Kuehn (BCTF) Jackson Potter (Chicago Teachers' Union) Paul Bocking (York) and Domenic Bellissimo (OSSTF) “The OSSTF and International Solidarity in Latin America”</p>	<p>4B International Solidarity between Airport Workers DBHSC 2035</p> <p>Dan Janssen, IAM Local 2323 Aminah Sheikh, COPE Sean Smith, UNIFOR Local 2002</p>	<p>4C Mining in the Vale: International Solidarity’s Prospects and Challenges DBHSC 2032</p> <p>Shelley Condratto “Contracting-Out of Union Control: The Case of USW Local 6500” Matt Corbeil “Unions and The Mining Justice Movement in Ontario: Possibilities and Prospects” Adam King “The reconstitution of working class identity: some insights from oral histories with Sudbury nickel miners” Judith Marshall “Global Networks Challenging the Power of Big Mining Companies”</p>
<p>10:45-12:15</p> <p>Plenary</p>	<p>Mobilizing Rank and File for Labour Internationalism: Challenges and Opportunities DBHSC 2032</p> <p>Hassan Hussein, Facilitator Marion Pollack (CUPW retiree) “Looking at the Tensions and Opportunities for International Solidarity for Unions in English Canada” Alex Hanson and Troy Cook (USW Local 9346) “Using Social Media to Build Solidarity”</p>		
<p>14:00-15:30</p> <p>Workshops</p>	<p>5A Labour Internationalism and Environmental Issues DBHSC 2036</p> <p>Facilitators: Dave Bleakney, Carolyn Egan and Kim Scipes</p>	<p>5B Labour Internationalism in a Changing Political Context DBHSC 2035</p> <p>Facilitators: Katherine Sciacchitano and Bruno Dobrusin</p>	<p>5C Bringing Unionized and Non-Unionized Workers Together in Labour Internationalism DBHSC 2032</p> <p>Facilitators: Evelyn Encalada Grez and Mostafa Henaway</p>

15:45-17:00

Final wrap up DBHSC 2032