CALL FOR PAPERS

THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE OF AMERICAN LABOR

The American labor movement has faced many challenges in its history: while it has sought to represent the interests of its membership base by calling for higher wages and better working conditions, it has also faced criticism about the extent and character of its influence. New economic and political conditions resulting from changes in technology and globalization have also impacted the direction of labor movement policy, the overall health of organized labor, and the state of American workers.

To broaden the conversation on these important issues concerning American labor, The Graduate School at Rutgers University- Newark, the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Labor History Research Center at The George Washington University will host a conference featuring graduate student research in Washington, D.C. from March 15-17, 2018. Students are invited to submit abstracts for consideration on topics surrounding the history, current status, and future of American Labor.

Selected students will be invited to present their research work to labor leaders and other invited guests at a two-day conference in Washington D.C. at The George Washington University.

The conference seeks to encourage conversations between graduate students studying various aspects of labor history or labor studies and leaders in the labor field. We hope this will be a unique opportunity for students interested in American labor to interact and exchange ideas with leaders and subject matter experts in a small group setting.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

The submission deadline for abstracts is November 1, 2017. Please submit an abstract of up to 400 words (in PDF or Word document form) to Kyle Farmbry, J.D., Ph.D., Dean, The Graduate School, Rutgers University- Newark (kfarmbry@rutgers.edu) and Eric Arnesen, Ph.D., the Hoffa Professor of Labor History and Vice Dean for Faculty and Administration in GW’s Columbian College of Arts and Sciences (arnesen@gwu.edu). Please include your name and contact details in the email body and put “Paper Submission American Labor Conference” in the subject line. Submitters will be contacted by mid-July.

For more information on this opportunity please contact Dr. Farmbry or Dr. Arnesen at the above-referenced email addresses.