

Global Labour University (GLU) at Penn State Overview

The Global Labour University (GLU) is a network established in 2004 that offers Master's Programs on social justice, global workers' rights and trade unions, economic policies and global institutions. These global programs are jointly developed by universities and workers' organizations from around the world and are aimed at candidates who have experience with labor and social movements, and who are willing to assist organizations in these fields to engage more effectively in social dialogue, public debate, and policy implementation. Participants will analyze and discuss in a multidisciplinary fashion the challenges of globalization from a labor and trade union perspective. The programs offer a multicultural and multi-regional environment with students and lecturers coming from developing, transition and industrialized countries. See: <http://www.global-labour-university.org/>

Existing Programs

- **Germany:** University of Kassel and Berlin School of Economics and Law. Master's title, 'Labour Policies and Globalization.'
- **South Africa:** Wits University. Master's title, 'Labour and Development, Economic Policy, Globalization and Labour.'
- **Brazil:** Unicamp. Master's title, 'Social Economy and Labour.'
- **India:** Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Master's title, 'Globalization and Labour.'

Labor Endorsements and Support (partial list)

- AFL-CIO
- Global Unions
- DGB, FES, Hans Böckler Stiftung, Germany
- CUT, Social Observatory, Brazil
- COSATU, South Africa
- SEWA, India
- International Labour Organization (ILO)



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The Penn State program is designed for early to mid-career U.S. and international labor practitioners. The twelve month MPS in "Labor and Global Workers' Rights is set to start in fall 2014 semester (pending final presentation to the Board of Trustees of Penn State). The aim is to begin the program with approximately eight students, and slowly grow the program to a maximum of fifteen students per year. The program will focus on strategic corporate research and campaigns, international and comparative employment relations systems, and workers' rights in the global economy. The (revised) application deadline is April 15, 2014. A limited number of assistantships will be awarded to qualified applicants in need of financial support. For more information, including details on the application process, please see <http://www.global-labour-university.org/323.html>. For more information, write: lgwr@psu.edu