

THE LABOR SCHOOL

Labor Activist Academy



The Labor Activist Academy is a series of labor education workshops designed to better equip labor union rank-and-file members, stewards, and labor activists to meet the challenges facing today's labor movement. This series consists of four non-credit workshops designed to develop critical thinking skills, increase capacity for building power, and encourage networking with other activists.

Classes will be held 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. on Saturdays in 2025. Lunch will be provided.

Building Intergenerational Solidarity

Pittsburgh - February 22 | Philadelphia - March 1 | Erie - March 22

Our Rights and the Law: What Workers Need to Know

Pittsburgh - April 26 | Philadelphia - May 3 | Erie - June 14

Bargaining and Representation Essentials

Pittsburgh - May 31 | Philadelphia - September 6 | Erie - October 11

Organizing for Worker Power

Pittsburgh - October 25 | Philadelphia - November 8 | Erie - November 22



Registration is required. Participants can choose to register for one or multiple classes. The cost to attend one course is \$100. Participants who sign up for three or four courses will receive a discount on the third and fourth course.

For more information or to register [visit bit.ly/NewLAA2025](https://bit.ly/NewLAA2025) or scan the QR code.

Questions? Please contact us at laborschool@psu.edu

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Building Intergenerational Solidarity

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Come to this workshop to learn strategies to bridge generational gaps, foster mutual respect, and strengthen our collective power. We'll discuss generational stereotypes and defining events, how people of different generations strengthen our unions, and intergenerational solidarity.

Our Rights and the Law: What Workers Need to Know

Pittsburgh - April 26 | Philadelphia - May 3 | Erie - June 14

In this workshop you'll gain essential knowledge about your legal rights in the workplace, labor law, and how to protect yourself and your colleagues. We'll cover laws related to your right to organize a union and collectively bargain, on-the-job protections, and protest/protected speech.

Bargaining and Representation Essentials

Pittsburgh - May 31 | Philadelphia - September 6 | Erie - October 11

Are you interested in learning about collective bargaining or do you want to prepare to get more involved in your union's bargaining process? This interactive workshop is for you! Learn key strategies for successful bargaining and enhance your advocacy skills. We'll cover the fundamentals of bargaining, including the bargaining process, negotiation skills, and legal elements of collective bargaining.

Organizing for Worker Power

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How do you engage non-members and increase solidarity among your members? Organizing! In this day-long, interactive workshop you will learn organizing fundamentals and apply them to crafting a winning mobilizing plan. Whether you're a seasoned organizer or new to the game, there will be something for everyone in this workshop.