

Brief Syllabus
37:575:322 American Labor Unions in Politics

Course Description:

Role of the labor movement in the political process from the New Deal to the present, including an analysis of its ideology, its legislative agenda, its political action, and its impact on public policy.

Important information:

This course is suitable for all students. There are no pre-requisites.

Learning Objectives. The student is able to:

Labor Studies and Employment Relations Department:

- Analyze a contemporary global issue in labor & employment relations from a multi-disciplinary perspective (Goal 7) .

School of Management and Labor Relations:

- Evaluate the context of workplace issues, public policies, and management decisions (Goal V).

Note: The political activity and influence of American unions is an important contextual factor in public policy at the federal, state, and local levels. Students who may wish to work for a union or other organization will gain both an understanding of the current situation and how it has evolved over time.

Assessment of student success in meeting learning objectives:

Assessment of these learning objectives will be based on student responses to specific questions on assignments and exams.