

# The National Labor College Offers Distance College Degree Program!

The National Labor College (NLC) is proud to announce a 100% non-residential college degree, the Bachelors of Technical/Professional Studies (BTPS). The NLC is the only accredited college in the world that is solely devoted to educating union members, leaders, activists and staff. Our highly regarded degree program has provided over 1000 union leaders with a Bachelor of Arts in Labor Studies and related areas. Our new Bachelor of Technical/Professional Studies (BTPS) degree brings these opportunities to union members who want a completely online education. And at \$158 a credit, NLC offers an affordable quality college education!

**If you have a high school diploma or GED and one or more of the following:**

- Apprenticeship (either completed or in process)
- Military training
- Associates degree or any number of college credits up to 69 from an accredited college

**... the BTPS program at NLC may be the degree for you!**

**Who should enroll in the BTPS program?**

- A student who works part-time or full-time and finds it difficult to regularly commute to a classroom location.
- A student who values individualized learning and at the same time enjoys participating in an online learning community with other working union members.

**What does the BTPS degree offer?**

The BTPS degree offers four specializations, all with linkages to labor-related areas but in different contexts than solely labor studies, including:

- Leadership
- Occupational Safety and Health
- Instructional Technology and Computers (2 Tracks)
- Music and Arts (2 Tracks)

### **Why BTPS is a good program for you:**

- BTPS is flexible and convenient. You can arrange your schedule during each semester to allow you to learn anytime, anywhere, without commuting.
- BTPS is visual and interactive. Instructors and students are engaged, motivated and dedicated to teaching and learning.
- BTPS allows you to work at times that fit your busy schedule. But you do not work in isolation; online courses connect you with fellow students and union members near and far.
- BTPS values learning that comes from your work experience. You can create a prior learning portfolio that can earn you up to 30 college credits that can apply toward your degree.
- BTPS Service Learning Internships allow you to do work with your union on projects of interest and importance. You can do good work and earn college credits at the same time!

### **What do I need in order to take a BTPS course?**

- Access to the Internet (no need to purchase or install new software on your computer). If you do not have an access to a computer, you may connect to courses through computers in public libraries or workplaces; and
- Enthusiasm for learning!

### **I am new to online learning. What support can you give me?**

- We offer a course, Learning in a Digital World, for all new students. This course is specifically designed to prepare you to succeed in the BTPS program.
- We provide all our online learners with the tech support service. Tech support will be available by phone or email during the business hours.

### **Will I be working on my own in this program?**

- No. You will be working closely with the instructor and the students in your online class, just as you would in a traditional classroom.

To learn more about BTPS, contact the National Labor College by e-mail: [btps@nlc.edu](mailto:btps@nlc.edu) or call Pre Admission Advisor, Lesley Melamed at (301)431-5415 or email: [lmelamed@nlc.edu](mailto:lmelamed@nlc.edu)

If you want to know more about the National Labor College or are interested in our BTPS program, visit us at our website at [www.nlc.edu](http://www.nlc.edu)