



The **Work and Learning Network (WLN)** is a community of individuals and organizations that has come together to engage in research related to work and learning policy and practice. The Network has a Western Canadian focus and the members of the Network are interested in issues relating to diversity, equity and workplace reform.

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In the **September 2013 Broadcast**: Events, Books, Resources, Calls for Presentations, and Online Publications.
(Apologies for any cross-postings.)

1. **BOOK** [Canadian Workplace Culture: Mastering the Unspoken Rules](#) by Matt Adolphe

~ Newcomers to the Canadian workforce are often completely unaware of the unspoken, unwritten rules of workplace conduct. This book reveals why certain behaviours don't work in Canada's conflict-averse culture. Adolphe uses familiar situations to highlight what happens when you get it wrong and lays out ten genuinely helpful, accessible and easily applicable rules that enable workers to fit in, become accepted and prosper.

Publisher: Bold World Books **ISBN:** 978-0-9868528-4-8

Format: 5 X 8 Paperback **Pages:** 96

Publication Date: October 2013 **Now in Stock!**

2. **OUTSIDE CONFERENCES/EVENTS** *re: Work and learning for all audiences*

CONFERENCE – 1st World Congress Series on Access to Post-Secondary Education. [Connecting the Unconnected](#)
7th - 10th October 2013. Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

~ Linking economic and social development to post-secondary education in urban areas. Activities considered relate to initiatives that widen access to higher education that involve cooperation among multiple partners in cities and regions; projects that are directly targeted to particular imperatives of city and regional authorities to provide enhanced provision for targeted groups (e.g. low income, minorities, disabled and the geographically isolated); and initiatives that seek to stimulate economic development through providing access opportunities for those already in employment.

CONFERENCE - [Strangers in New Homelands Conference 2013](#)

17th - 18th October 2013. Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

~ The Conference brings together researchers, academics, students, NGOs, government representatives, policy makers and other stakeholders from around the world to promote exchanges and discussions on migrations, settlement and integration of newcomers. Organized by: the Faculty of Social Work

CONFERENCE - "[5 MILLION ALBERTANS ~ Really? Ready?](#)" – **Annual Workplace Conference**

24 – 27 October 2013. Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge. Jasper, Alberta, Canada. Sponsored by Alberta Congress Board.

~ This Conference is designed for senior management and key decision-makers of private and public sector organizations that recognize the value of economic and workplace trend information in their planning activities. Key Issues to be discussed: Restructuring Public Services; Engaging our Human Capital; Rethinking Infrastructure Relationships.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION - [Strategic Directions for the Apprenticeship Community](#)

Thursday, 24 October 2013. 7:30am to 12:00pm. Delta City Centre, 101 Lyon St N., Ottawa, Ontario

~ Canadian Apprenticeship Forum (FCA) will host a roundtable discussion about the pressing issues affecting today's apprenticeship community.

CELEBRATE ESSENTIAL SKILLS DAY - ABC LIFE LITERACY CANADA

~ How are you celebrating Essential Skills Day? This September, ABC Life Literacy Canada will help raise awareness of essential skills and the importance of skills training in the workplace.

The **fourth annual Essential Skills Day** will take place on Friday, September 27, 2013 to raise awareness about the importance of workplace literacy and essential skills training. [Register your Essential Skills Day event.](#)

CONFERENCE ONLINE- [The 2013 Global Education Conference](#) - Online conference

18 - 22 November 2013. United States of America.

~ This is a **free and virtual** conference for educators, students, and organizations at all levels and is designed to inspire and increase opportunities for collaboration across the globe.

CONFERENCE - [Facts, Fictions, and the Politics of Truth](#) - Parkland Fall Conference 2013. 22-24 November 2013. University of Alberta Campus. CCIS. Edmonton, Alberta. Canada.
~ The control, suppression, and manipulation of information are playing an increasingly important role in all aspects of our society. [Program](#).

2014 CONFERENCES

CONFERENCE- [The Aboriginal & Workers of Colour Conference](#)
Originally scheduled for May 10-12, 2013 is rescheduled for **October 25-27, 2013** and will be held at the CAW Family Education Centre in Port Elgin, Ontario Can.

CONFERENCE - [CAF-FCA 2014 Conference](#) (The Canadian Apprenticeship Forum)
Save the date! The next national apprenticeship conference will take place in the nation's capital, Ottawa, Ontario, on June 1-3, 2014.



3. CALLS

CALL FOR PAPERS- [Skilled Trades Summit 2014](#)
1-3 June 2014. Ottawa, Ontario. Canada.
~ Share your perspective! The Committee is actively seeking presentations that:
• Encourage discussion and challenge stakeholders to address barriers to apprenticeship training in Canada
• Address issues related to certification
• Link apprenticeship to larger human resources strategies
• Express demand, challenges, solutions and perspectives on a sector-specific basis or for a particular under-represented group
• Demonstrate trends and innovations

CALL FOR PAPERS – [Second Belgrade International Conference on Education](#)
14-16 November 2013 in Belgrade, Serbia.
~ Conference is intended to be a forum, discussion and networking place for academics, researchers, professionals, administrators, educational leaders, policy makers, industry representatives, advanced students, and others interested in Education. Proposals are accepted on a rolling admission basis as long as space is available or by **October 20th 2013** at latest and are to be submitted along with application form.



4. ONLINE PUBLICATIONS

[Workplace deaths in Alberta on pace to hit record high](#)
By Chris Varcoe and James Wood, Calgary Herald. September 9, 2013.
~ The number of workplace fatalities across Alberta shot up 18 per cent last year and is on pace in 2013 to shatter a decades-old record for people dying on the job.

[Who hires temporary foreign workers? You'd be surprised](#)
By Anna Mehler Paperny and Jacques Bourbeau. Global News. April 2013.
~ Lots of people are hiring: A range of companies and government agencies, according to a document [posted online](#) by the Alberta Federation of Labour, obtained through a freedom-of-information request. It lists 90 pages of employers, including the company name and province of each, but not whom they hired, when or for what work.

[Reason to Believe – VIDEO](#) - Aboriginal Human Resource Council.
'Believe in Me' was written/produced/performed by Melisa Pash, Quebec, Canada.
~ A four minute inspiring visual/musical introduction to Aboriginal issues in Canada. Advancing Canada's Aboriginal Workforce. 2009.

[New Study released on Gen Y Workplace Expectations](#)
By Millennial Branding & American Express. Boston, MA – September 2013.
~ Managers reveal criteria for advancement and impressions of their Gen Y workers. According to the study, both managers and Gen Y's are on the same page when it comes to workplace success.

[The Boomer-Millennial Workplace Clash: Is it Real?](#)

By Jeanne Meister, Forbes Contributor. June 2013.

~ Five action steps for developing generational intelligence in the workplace are described. Generations interact and relate to each other in the workplace, and come to some surprising conclusions.

[The Future of Jobs In Canada](#)

By Chris Sorensen. March, 2013.

~ Skills mismatch may mean 1.5 million vacancies by 2016. The trend toward “people without jobs, jobs without people” poses the single biggest long-term threat to Canadian economic growth, exacerbating Canada’s already lagging productivity and innovation, according to one recent report. But attempts to head off calamity are so far being met with the usual obstacles.

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**RESOURCE** – [Third Quarter](#)

~ This website is a [non-profit, online job service](#) designed for mature Canadians aged 45+ in the ‘third quarter’ of their professional and working careers. The builders of this resource are providing a valuable service for this demographic: connecting highly qualified, professionals, whose experience and expertise cannot be matched, with the qualifications required for and employment opportunities available in today’s job market.

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*The online publications are a service provided to help you keep abreast of recent literature in the areas of work and learning research, policy, and practice. Documents should not be considered an endorsement of the findings, and readers are cautioned to not to act on the results of single studies, and to seek bodies of evidence.*

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- [Centre for the Study of Education and Work](#) (CSEW)
- [Work and Lifelong Learning Research Project](#) (WALL)
- [The Labour Education and Training Research Network](#), York University

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