

PRAIRIE REGION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

We are in the process of developing the Prairies Regional Education Plan for 2013 to 2015. In the interim, the following courses are open to all members and will be offered across the Prairie region in the coming months:

TALKING UNION BASICS (TUB)

This Friday night/Saturday course is the union's key "introductory" education event. If you have wondered what it means to be a union member, how the PSAC works, and what happens to your dues dollars, then Talking Union Basics provides answers to these questions. The course also introduces the collective agreement, your employee rights and your rights as a member of the PSAC. You will learn about the many opportunities to be active in the union and ways you can make a contribution to building strong locals in the Prairie region. It is recommended that members take Talking Union Basics first, as it provides the basic knowledge you need to get the most from other PSAC courses.

HEALTH & SAFETY AT PSAC WORKPLACES

This new one-day course is for any member who would like to know more about safe and healthy workplaces. Participants will learn about the roles and responsibilities of workers, employers and unions, and discover the important events in the union's struggle for health and safety in our workplaces. We will explore ways that PSAC members can exercise their health and safety rights, and make plans to bring ideas and information back to the Local Union at the workplace.

GRIEVANCE HANDLING

This two-day course for union stewards will develop participants' knowledge, skills, and confidence in effectively solving problems at the workplace. A major portion of time will be spent on the relevant technical skills i.e. identifying, investigating, writing up, and presenting grievances.