



Independent Study: Understanding the Needs of Precarious Workers in Tacoma

ENVH 499 (UG) ENVH 600 (Grad).

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Problems with violations of various labor standards, including local wage and leave policies, are part of a general, and potentially increasing phenomenon of “precarious employment.” Precarious workers may be exploited and are less likely to either complain to authorities, or take actions to protect themselves. As part of UW Livable City Year: Tacoma, this course will engage students to explore the working conditions and needs of vulnerable working populations within the city. Students will probe for the needs of the community to understand labor rights, and identify opportunities to effectively reach those communities. Finally, students will explore barriers to accessing resources and information through the city and other agencies.

Please email nseixas@uw.edu for more information.

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Course is open to upper level undergraduate students and all graduate students. Students will enroll for up to 2 academic credits through either their program’s required capstone course, or for independent study with Professor Seixas, the faculty mentor.

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