

# **HIST\*3480 - WORKPLACE LEARNING: United Way at the University of Guelph**

Department of History, Fall 2018

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## **Course Synopsis:**

The University of Guelph has a long relationship with the United Way. The United Way Guelph Wellington Dufferin funds 88 different programs at 54 agencies. The University of Guelph is one of the biggest donors to the campaign, and has won many awards for this work. The plan is to showcase these awards along with a history of the campaign. For this course, you will be working with Dr. Catherine Carstairs to do research in the archives of the University and other sources to write a history of the University of Guelph's involvement in the campaign.

## **Methods of Evaluation and Weights:**

Weekly Reflections:	20%
Research Essay:	70%
Plaque Text:	10%

## **Texts and/or Resources Required:**

No Required Textbook

## **Learning Outcomes:**

1. You will gain knowledge of the history of charitable fundraising and university politics.
2. You will learn how to communicate history effectively for a public audience.
3. You will gain crucial professional skills by working with a team and reflecting on your professional practice including communicating effectively with others, scheduling, and meeting deadlines.

## **Course Format:**

Independent work with scheduled meetings.

## **Project Timeline:**

**Week 1:** Meeting with Professor Carstairs. We will discuss possible sources and devise project goals.

**Week 8:** Research Paper Due.

**Week 12:** Plaque write-up Due.

Weekly reflections will be due every week.

*Please note: This is a preliminary web course description only. The department reserves the right to change without notice any information in this description. The final, binding course outline will be distributed in the first class of the semester.*