



# COMMUNICATION MEMO

*Algoma U Pandemic Task Force*

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**MEMO: International Arrivals - Approved Student Quarantine Plan**

TO: Faculty, Staff and Students

CC: OPSEU, OSSTF, AUSU, SASA

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Algoma University continues to take proactive steps to support student success and ensure the safety and wellbeing of our university community across all three of our campuses. As we continue to manage through the evolving nature of the global pandemic, it is **imperative** that we continue to stand together as a community. As we head into the Thanksgiving weekend we ask that you review the important updates shared below.

**QUARANTINE PLAN FOR STUDENTS ARRIVING FROM ABROAD:**

We have developed a comprehensive plan to support all students who are travelling to Canada and ensure they follow requirements under the Quarantine Act and **all** Public Health protocols to quarantine on their arrival. Algoma University's International Travel Quarantine Plan has been approved by the Provincial Government after a review by the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Colleges and Universities. The core principles of our plan include:

- Pre-arrival education for students on quarantine and registration with our Student Life Team of travel plans
- Designated locations for students to quarantine in residence and at partner hotels near Pearson Airport (Greater Toronto Area) and in Sault Ste. Marie
- Transportation provided for students from the airport to their quarantine location
- Students who have arrived from international travel complete a 14-day quarantine as per the Quarantine Act.

- Ensuring students in quarantine have access to the necessities of life and tools for academics while they are in quarantine
- Daily check-ins with students in quarantine to ensure health and wellness as well as compliance with quarantine
- Compliance monitoring by staff at their quarantine location
- COVID-19 testing for students while they are in quarantine and requiring a negative test result before leaving quarantine
- Access to health services in Sault Ste. Marie and Brampton should students need it while they are in quarantine as part of their student health coverage

### **WHAT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS?**

In the spirit of the Grandfather teachings, our ongoing approach has been to be open and honest with our entire community. Each decision made regarding COVID-19 which impacts Algoma University is made with a thorough consultation with applicable stakeholder groups and public health. Those decisions are not taken lightly and thoroughly take into consideration the safety and well being of our entire community.

We ask that in the event you have questions concerning **any** COVID-19 related decisions, policies or procedures that you email [covid@algomau.ca](mailto:covid@algomau.ca), immediately. This email is actively monitored and we have a commitment to ensure responsiveness to any inquiries received.

### **SOLIDARITY NOT STIGMA:**

At Algoma University we celebrate and are proud to be one of the most diverse universities in Ontario. It is now more important than ever, that we are guided by kindness, stand together, and lift each other up during these difficult times.

We would like to remind all members of our Algoma University community that behaviours that could be construed as racist or xenophobic (*fear and hatred of strangers or foreigners or of anything that is strange or foreign*) will not be tolerated at any time. Any violations could be subject to disciplinary action under the [Code of Student Conduct \(Non-Academic\)](#) and [Code of Conduct - Respectful Workplace Policy](#).

### **COVID-19 RELATED UPDATES:**

For ongoing updates, please visit the [www.algomau.ca](http://www.algomau.ca) website dedicated [COVID-19 page](#).

Thank you for your continued support of our student community and once again, please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

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