



# COMMUNICATION MEMO

*Algoma U Pandemic Task Force*

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**MEMO: Important Algoma University Campus Updates**

TO: Faculty, Staff and Students

CC: OSSTF & OPSEU, AUSU & SASA Presidents and Pandemic Task Force

FR: Dave Trudelle, Co-Chair, Pandemic Task Force

Today, the Ontario Government [announced](#) new restrictions to help slow the recent surge in Covid-19 case counts fueled by variants.

All of Ontario will enter the white, 'shutdown' level, as of midnight on Saturday, April 3rd, 2021 for a period of 28 days.

Note, all Algoma University facilities and offices were already to be closed in observance of Good Friday (April 2), Easter Sunday (April 4) and Easter Monday (April 5).

As a result of this most recent declaration, the **Brampton Campus** will remain closed during this period. Employees will continue to work from home (except in emergencies), and students will not have access to the campus.

Those studying and working at Algoma's **Timmins Campus** will follow Northern College's [direction](#) on closures and use of space.

The **Sault Ste. Marie Campus** will have service impacts as indicated below. Employees and faculty will have access to campus, including their assigned office spaces, over the shutdown period. Student and public access will be limited (see below for specific service details). Employees should ensure they are speaking with their management officer regarding their schedule if they plan to be on campus. Anyone entering a campus building will still need to complete the Covid-19 pre-screening and check in with our screening team on arrival. Employees who have the ability to work from home will be asked to work directly with their management officer to support this accommodation if required.

**All gatherings/meetings that were booked on campus beginning April 3rd until May 1st are cancelled due to the new restrictions.**

**Service Impacts for Sault Ste. Marie:**

**Shingwauk Hall Hours:** Monday - Friday (8:00am - 6:00pm)  
Saturday - Sunday (1:00pm - 9:00pm)

**Convergence Centre:** Monday - Friday (8:00am - 4:00pm)

**Please note:** Entry to the building outside these hours can be obtained through a request to [covid@algomau.ca](mailto:covid@algomau.ca)

**Computer Labs:** Will be open during campus hours. Should a student require access to the labs outside of the listed hours, they are asked to email [covid@algomau.ca](mailto:covid@algomau.ca)

**Library:** Access available for curbside pick up only. To request curbside pickup please go to the library [website](#).

**IT:** To connect with an IT Service Desk team member, visit the IT Support portal page via [servicedesk.algomau.ca](http://servicedesk.algomau.ca). You may search our solutions for self serve options or submit an incident or service request. Should your request be of an urgent nature, submit a ticket and then call 705-949-2301 x 4450 or (888) 902-7866 during the hours listed below or start a chat session.

8:45am - 7:30pm Monday - Friday  
1:00pm - 4:00pm Saturday - Sunday

**Bookstore:** Curbside pickup or ship to home only. If you have any questions, please email [0922mgr@follett.com](mailto:0922mgr@follett.com).

**GLC:** Facility will close until May 3rd, 2021. A [separate communication](#) is being circulated to all GLC members with further details.

**AUSU Food Pantry:** Available for curbside pick up by appointment only (reminder closed Good Friday).

This decision will be closely monitored, and notice will be provided to our internal community when new information is made available.

We thank you for your continued adherence to these measures. Our collective efforts will continue to make a difference.

**COVID-19 RELATED UPDATES**

For ongoing updates, please visit Algoma U's dedicated [COVID-19 page](#).

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