

Algoma U Pandemic Task Force

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MEMO: Covid-19 updates - Reopening and Fall Planning

TO: All Employees, Faculty and Students

CC: OSSTF, OPSEU, AUSU, SASA and Pandemic Taskforce

FR: Brianne Pringle, Acting Director of Human Resources

As indicated in our last <u>memo</u>, the ongoing promising vaccination numbers and the accelerated move to now Step 3 of reopening our province, we look forward to a different, yet more familiar, return to campus activities in the near future.

STEP 3 REOPENING PROVINCIAL DIRECTIVES

The Provincial government recently <u>announced</u> that Ontario will be **entering Step 3 of reopening on Friday, July 16, 2021**.

Brampton Campus:

Continues to remain open for employees only, all services for students remain virtual at this time.

Employees are asked to work directly with your management officer around your schedule.

Timmins Campus:

We ask that you continue to follow the direction of Northern College and to work with your direct supervisors to develop your back to campus planning.

Sault Ste. Marie Campus:

Campus Hours:

Shingwauk Hall - Monday to Friday - 8:00 am to 6:00 pm, Saturday 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm (entrance via Z or U door)

Convergence Center - will be accessible via card access. Please email covid@algomau.ca if you do not have swipe access but need access to the building.

All students, employees and guests will be required to screen in via SaniTrakr upon arrival.

We are excited to announce that the GLC will be reopened at 50% capacity as of July 19, 2021. Please see attached communication for further details.

The Wishart Library will continue curbside pickup on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 10 am-3 pm until further notice. Research help is available by emailing reference@algomau.ca or via the <u>Ask a Librarian</u> online chat service.

IT Services/Computer labs will continue to operate Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. To connect with an IT Service Desk team member, call 705-949-2301 x4450 or (888) 902-7866 during our hours of operation or start a chat session. On the IT Support portal page, search our solutions for self-serve options or submit an incident or service request.

NW203 Computer Lab will be open and available with capacity restrictions during normal campus hours.

Please note that **gatherings** indoors have been expanded but with a restriction of a **maximum of twenty five (25) and outdoor gatherings can be booked for up to a maximum of 100 people**. Space can be booked through the <u>gatherings request form</u>.

UPDATE ON ACADEMIC OFFERINGS FOR FALL 2021

In the fall we are anticipating a more normal return to campus including face to face instruction. Currently, we have scheduled 67 courses through Brightspace that are distance education courses. More details will follow once we have our fall roster of courses finalized but ask that students continue to check the course calendar in your student portal as the most recent updates on course delivery will be available through there.

DID YOU GET YOUR VACCINE? LET US KNOW AND YOU CAN WIN!

We are encouraging a safe return to campus, and with vaccinations ramping up, we are truly excited to welcome everyone back. If you received your COVID-19 vaccine, even if it's just the first dose, let us know, and we will enter you in a draw for great prizes! **The contest will be open until August 31, 2021.**

To learn more about the contest:

• for employees, click here

• for students, click here

COVID-19 RELATED UPDATES

For ongoing updates, please visit Algoma U's dedicated COVID-19 page.

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