



# COMMUNICATION MEMO

Pandemic Task Force

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**MEMO: Important Winter Semester COVID-19 Information - UPDATE**

**TO:** All Students, Staff and Faculty

**FROM:** Brianne Pringle, Director, People & Culture  
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Updates to the [communication memo](#) circulated on December 20th, 2021 regarding the Winter Semester and access to campus due to the most recent [message](#) from the Ontario Government are shared below.

Further information regarding access to campus services for the period between January 4th and 30th, 2022 is noted below:

## **Campus Hours and Services (Jan 4th - 30th, 2022):**

### **Brampton Campus:**

All buildings will be open from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Campus buildings will be closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

The Rapid Antigen Testing Clinic will operate by appointment only. Please email [bramptonoperations@algomau.ca](mailto:bramptonoperations@algomau.ca) to arrange an appointment time.

Access and student card pick-up and returns will be put on hold until January 31st, 2022.

Please note that health screening is still required every time you access campus.

### **Sault Ste. Marie Campus:**

The Main Building will be open from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Monday to Friday. Access to the building is available through Doors U and Z only.

The CC Building will remain closed to the general public, but accessible through the East and West doors for those with approved swipe access.

The Rapid Antigen Testing Clinic will operate by appointment only. Please email [covid@algomau.ca](mailto:covid@algomau.ca) to arrange an appointment time.

Please note that health screening is still required every time you access campus.

### **In-Person Gatherings:**

All in-person gatherings will be cancelled until January 30th, 2022.

### **Arthur A Wishart Library - Sault Ste. Marie:**

The Library will be closed from January 4th to January 24th, 2022 with curbside pick-up availability.

Virtual Services available for all campuses: [library@algomau.ca](mailto:library@algomau.ca)

### **IT Services - Sault Ste. Marie Campus:**

Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM to 7:30 PM  
Sunday: 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM (virtual support)

Computer labs are open with limited capacity and based on the campus specific hours.

### **IT Services - Brampton Campus:**

Monday to Thursday: 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM  
Friday: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Computer labs are open with limited capacity and based on the campus specific hours.

### **Cafeteria - Sault Ste. Marie Campus:**

The Cafeteria has re-opened but no in-person dining is allowed. Tim Hortons will reopen on the first day of in-person classes.

### **Bookstore - Sault Ste. Marie Campus:**

The Bookstore re-opened on Tuesday, January 4th with operating hours as noted:  
Monday through Thursday: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Maximum capacity of three people. Online orders can be picked up at the Bookstore or shipped to your home address.

### **George Leach Centre - Sault Ste. Marie Campus**

The George Leach Centre will be closed as of January 5th until public health guidelines allow it to re-open.

### **Food Pantry - Sault Ste. Marie Campus:**

The Food Pantry will reopen on Monday, January 10th, 2022 with the following operating hours:  
Monday and Wednesday: 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Appointments are still required. To visit the pantry, please use the calendar booking link [here](#).

For any questions or concerns, please contact the Pantry Coordinator at:  
[ausufood.pantry@ausu.algomau.ca](mailto:ausufood.pantry@ausu.algomau.ca)

### **Residence - Sault Ste. Marie:**

The Residence Housing Office will be available for package pick ups and other Residence Life supports on an on-call basis. Please contact the residence advisor on the RA cell phone for assistance. As always, support for maintenance issues is available by emailing [resmaint@algomau.ca](mailto:resmaint@algomau.ca). Students in residence should check their email for updates from the residence life team.

### **Student Success Central (including the Learning Centre):**

Student Success Central virtual services available for all campuses:

[studentsuccess@algomau.ca](mailto:studentsuccess@algomau.ca)

Wellness and Counselling Services continue to be available 24/7:

<https://algomau.ca/health-services/>

Immigration Services: [immigration@algomau.ca](mailto:immigration@algomau.ca)

Learning Centre: [learning@algomau.ca](mailto:learning@algomau.ca)

Academic Advising: [advising@algomau.ca](mailto:advising@algomau.ca)

Registration Inquiries: [regoffice@algomau.ca](mailto:regoffice@algomau.ca)

### **Travel - Employees:**

Algoma University travel will be limited to essential travel only. Please work with your supervisor on any travel requests. Rapid Antigen testing will be required for any travel between Algoma University campuses. Contact [covid@algomau.ca](mailto:covid@algomau.ca) to book an appointment for a rapid test.

### **Important information on Vaccine Policy and Winter Semester timelines:**

Don't miss these [key dates and next steps](#) to make sure you stay registered in your courses.

For questions or more information regarding the [vaccine policy](#) please contact our team at [covid@algomau.ca](mailto:covid@algomau.ca). Please note that this email is monitored Monday to Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM only. It may take up to 48 hours for a response.

**As a reminder:**

**In order to minimize the impact of the Omicron variant as best as possible, the Government announced that all Ontarians 18+ eligible for COVID-19 booster appointments at three-month intervals. See full details [here](#).**

We understand that the pandemic continues to impact all aspects of our lives. Please find below resources to be able to help support you during this time:

[Student Resources](#)

[Employee Resources](#)

We thank you for your continued adherence to all measures currently in place. Our collective efforts will continue to make a difference.

Should you have any questions or concerns about COVID-19, specific to Algoma University, please email [covid@algonau.ca](mailto:covid@algonau.ca)

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

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