



COMMUNICATION MEMO

Pandemic Task Force

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MEMO: Important Winter Semester COVID-19 Information - REMINDERS

TO: All Students, Staff and Faculty

FROM: Brianne Pringle, Director, People & Culture

We are extremely excited to welcome students back to in-person learning and campus activity, this Monday February 7, 2022 in both Brampton and Sault Ste. Marie Campuses. Timmins re-opened their campus this past Monday. As we continue to navigate through the pandemic, it is extremely important that we remain cognizant and dedicated to our ongoing efforts to keep ourselves and those around us safe.

A copy of the President's message around reopening, sent Friday, the 21st of January, can be found [here](#).

Campus Hours and Services as of February 7, 2022 unless specified:

Brampton Campus:

All buildings will be open from 8:00 AM to 10:30 PM, Monday to Friday, and 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM on Saturdays and Sundays.

Access and student card pick up and drop off will be available in the Welcome Centre (24 Queen) from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM Monday to Friday, and from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM Tuesday and Thursday.

All student services will be offered virtually at this time (see below for more information).

Sault Ste. Marie Campus:

The Main Building (Shingwauk Hall and North Wing) will be open from 8:00 AM to 11:00 PM, Monday to Friday and 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM on weekends. Access to the building is available through Doors U and Z only.

The Convergence Centre will be open from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM Monday to Thursday and 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM each Friday. The building will be closed on Saturday and Sunday. Access to the

building is available through the Main Entrance doors or by the East and West doors for those with pre-approved swipe access.

Entering campus:

Please ensure you have reviewed the changes to our [screening policy](#).

- Vaccine verification will be conducted at point of entry for both campuses - please have your second dose certificate or enhanced certificate and ID available for verification
- Health screening by [TrakrSafety](#)

It is recommended that to avoid crowding and line-ups, everyone completes the health screening prior to arriving on campus and has their vaccine readily available to present to the screeners.

As a reminder, all failed health screenings will have to be investigated and approved by covid@algonau.ca before access to campus is granted.

For those Requiring Rapid Testing:

The Rapid Antigen Testing Clinic, for both campuses will operate **by appointment only**.

Brampton: Clinic Hours - Mondays 8:00am to 12:00pm and Thursdays 1:00pm to 4:00pm
Location - 52 Queen Street

Sault Ste. Marie: Clinic Hours - Mondays 8:30am to 12:00pm and Thursdays 1:00pm to 4:00pm
Location - Main Building room SH216

For more information about the Rapid Testing clinics, please email covid@algonau.ca.

Mask Policy:

Please review the updated mask policy [here](#). Please note that scarves and balaclavas are no longer approved face coverings.

We recommend everyone to wear 3 ply medical grade masks or layer your cloth mask with a medical grade mask. Wearing masks that provide better protection is a simple way for you to not only protect yourself but to also protect others.

In-Person Gatherings:

Effective February 7, Gathering requests can be submitted and will be reviewed on a case by case basis. At this time, gatherings will be limited with a 10 person capacity and some gatherings may not be approved depending on circumstances and needs for the gatherings.

Arthur A Wishart Library - Sault Ste. Marie:

Please review the following [memo](#) for full details on Library access.

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:

Beginning February 7th, the hours of operation for the Cafeteria and Tim Hortons will be as follows:

Cafeteria

Monday to Friday: 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Saturday and Sunday: 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM

**Take home meal options will be available for students looking for food outside of those hours*

Tim Hortons

Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Saturday and Sunday: CLOSED

Bookstore - Sault Ste. Marie Campus:

The Bookstore is open 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.

Food Pantry - Sault Ste. Marie Campus:

The Food Pantry is open 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 Food Pantry Coordinator at:
ausufood.pantry@ausu.algomau.ca

Student Success Central (including the Learning Centre):

Student Success Central will be open Monday- Friday 8:30 AM-4:30 PM

Virtual appointments remain available for all campuses through one of the following alias:

Immigration Services: immigration@algomau.ca

Learning Centre: learning@algomau.ca

Academic Advising: advising@algomau.ca or by booking an appointment directly with your advisor through your student portal

Registration Inquiries: regoffice@algomau.ca

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

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

Travel - Employees:

Algoma University travel will be limited to essential travel only. Please work with your management officer on any travel requests. Rapid Antigen testing will be required for any travel between Algoma University campuses. Contact covid@algomau.ca to book an appointment for a rapid test.

As a reminder:

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@algomau.ca

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

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