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NEWS YOU CAN USE

Indigenous Scholars Speakers Series

The administration has put together an Indigenous Scholars Speakers Series, which includes some of your UMFA colleagues. Talks will be given every other Thursday starting September 20. For more details, click the link below.

http://umanitoba.ca/admin/indigenous_connect/Indigenous-Scholars-Speaker-Series.html

Unions gearing up for job action

The University of Western Ontario Faculty Association's 1500+ members are conducting a strike vote on September 20. For information on the issues on the table, visit: https://www.uwofa.ca/article/issues-vol-7-no-8.

Faculty at the University of Sudbury could strike in mid-October. Conciliation efforts failed earlier in the month, and the negotiating team has requested a "no board" report from the Ontario provincial labour ministry. Mediation will begin September 25. For more information, visit: https://lufappul.ca/wp/?p=1829.

Members of the York University Faculty Association have backed an Executive motion to consider holding a strike vote if it becomes necessary. There is a meeting scheduled between the Bargaining Team and employer next week, after which the decision on whether or not to hold a strike vote will be made. For more information, visit: https://www.yufa.ca/gmm-backs-exec-decision-to-consider-strike-mandate-vote/.

Members of the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 1975, which represents a diverse range of employees including IT workers, truck drivers, parking enforcement officers and shopkeepers at the University of Saskatchewan, have been without a collective agreement since Dec. 31, 2015. Negotiations, which have been ongoing for 2 years, have reached an impasse. A strike vote is taking place September 27 and 28. For more information, visit the FAQ section of their website: https://1975.cupe.ca/.







Fair Employment Week

An increasing number of educators in universities and colleges across Canada are stuck in insecure part-time or contract positions. These positions are underpaid for the work being done. In fact, many of these positions earn less than a living wage.

CAUT's annual "Fair Employment Week" runs from October 22-26, 2018. This event is meant to draw attention to the working conditions of contract academic staff in Canada.

For more information on Fair Employment Week, visit http://makeitfair.caut.ca/.

MEETINGS & EVENTS 🗀



CAMPAIGN LAUNCH MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 4:30 PM - PORTAGE PLACE

Manitoba's current minimum wage is unacceptable. Working conditions do not respect workers' dignity. We're fighting back & demanding \$15 & Fairness now!

Find Fight for 15 & Fairness Manitoba on Facebook

If you have information or an event that you'd like to share in an upcoming issue, please email the item to umfa-communications@umfa.ca for consideration.









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