

Professional & Technical Staff Union

at the University of New Brunswick in Saint John and Fredericton

NEWSLETTER

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IF YOUR SUPERVISOR ASKS ABOUT YOUR COVID VACCINATION STATUS

The issue of UNB requesting information on Member's COVID vaccination status has come up, and PTSU reached out to UNB People & Culture (formerly HR&OD). We have been advised by People & Culture they have not instructed UNB units to seek the vaccination status of their members. In fact, the only circumstances where UNB would be made aware of someone's COVID vaccination status would be if that person were seeking some kind of 'accommodation' related to their vaccination status. UNB People & Culture further advised PTSU they do not have any plans to ask anyone about their COVID vaccination status unless it becomes part of an official 'accommodation' request. We have suggested UNB circulate the foregoing to all supervisors/manager/directors and is hopeful there will be no further recurrences of inquiries about employee's COVID vaccination status, unless legally mandated through employee's 'accommodation' requests. If you have any other questions or concerns about COVID-19 and your rights at work, reach out to your Union.

IT IS YOUR COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT: READ IT AND KNOW WHAT IT MEANS FOR YOU!

https://www.ptsu60551.ca/

This is **YOUR** legally binding contract that governs your relationship with the Employer. It is your handbook for navigating the workplace, and one of the most important documents affecting your work life. If you have questions, reach out and ask for clarification <u>IMMEDIATELY</u> from PTSU!

UNB ON-CAMPUS FOOD SERVICES

COVID has resulted in 2020-2021 being very unusual years! Food services have been shuttered on campuses due to COVID for the past 15-16 months, and with a strategic transition back to campus by some units/departments while others continue to work remotely until Fall 2020, UNB has no food service(s) available on either the Fredericton or Saint John campuses this summer. Past summers would have seen some restricted-hour/limited availability food services but COVID has played havoc with that happening in Summer 2021. UNB appreciates this is not an optimal situation, especially for those of you who come to campus without your own transportation to come-and-go during meal hour(s). UNB has also let PTSU know any kitchenettes (fridges, microwaves, etc.) are currently available for use; they have no COVID restrictions. And, unless something untoward happens with COVID, UNB will return to normal food service operations as of Fall 2021.

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