

Canadian Association of University Teachers Association canadienne des professeures et professeurs d'université

## Memorandum 21:55

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- To: Presidents and Administrative Officers Local, Federated and Provincial Associations
- From: David Robinson, Executive Director

**Re:** Fair Employment Week (FEW): October 18 – 22, 2021

Fair Employment Week (FEW) is taking place from October 18 – 22, 2021.

FEW is CAUT's annual event designed to raise awareness about precarious employment on campus and to support your local association's organizing efforts to improve the working conditions of contract academic staff. Previous FEW activities have included tabling, the circulation of op-eds and letters to institution presidents, social media actions, and professional development workshops.

To support associations' local activities and events, CAUT has created **digital campaign materials**.

In light of COVID-19, CAUT has also organized online events for contract academic staff from across the country to come together virtually to network with one another and discuss the issues they are facing. Online events will include:

- A panel with academic staff organizing nationally and internationally on CAS issues;
- A social media day of action on Wednesday, October 20; and
- A contract academic staff social on Friday, October 22.

A final schedule for FEW and links to register will be circulated in early October.

If you have any questions or would like support in your organizing efforts, please contact Christina Muehlberger, Senior Organizing & Education Officer, at <u>muehlberger@caut.ca</u>.

