

## Memorandum

**Date:** December 6, 2021

**To:** Directors, Harry Crowe Foundation  
Presidents and Administrative Officers  
Local, Provincial and Federated Associations

**From:** Penni Stewart, President

**Re: Harry Crowe Foundation Conference 2022  
Academic Freedom and the Law // February 10-11, 2022**

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Academic freedom in Canada is the right of academic staff to teach and discuss, to research and publish, to participate in the academic governance of and to criticize their administration, and to exercise their civil liberties, including freedom of expression, without institutional censorship. The exercise of academic freedom is both facilitated by and constrained by the law. This conference will explore the legal foundations of academic freedom, as well as the legal limits placed on it with a view to strengthening the protections for academic freedom in Canada.

Please share this notice with your members and plan to join us at this important conference to be held online **February 10-11, 2022**.

The registration link and the conference agenda are available online at:  
<http://www.crowefoundation.ca/events/>.

Simultaneous interpretation in English and French is provided.

For further information, please send an email to [events-evenements@caut.ca](mailto:events-evenements@caut.ca).

### **About the Harry Crowe Foundation**

The Harry Crowe Foundation was established as a charitable organization by the Canadian Association of University Teachers in 2002 to carry out education and research on the role of academic freedom in contemporary society. The Foundation is named in honour of Professor Harry Crowe whose celebrated academic freedom case in the 1950's helped establish the mission of what was then a fledgling CAUT.