



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

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To: Presidents and Administrative Officers
Local, Federated and Provincial Associations

From: David Robinson, Executive Director

Re: **Scholar's Strike Canada – September 9-10, 2020**

On September 9 and 10, academics in Canada are planning to pause their regular teaching and administrative duties to participate in activities and actions to protest racism and police violence. Inspired by the actions of professional athletes and the [#ScholarStrike](#) campaign in the United States, academic staff will be standing in solidarity with protest movements fighting for social and racial justice in Canada and around the world.

A series of virtual teach-ins are being planned, as well as a twitter storm using the hashtags [#scholarstrike](#) [#scholarstrikeCanada](#). CAUT encourages academic staff associations and their members to show their support for racial justice by joining or organizing activities with Scholar Strike Canada. We also call on university and college administrations to support all staff and students who participate on September 9 and 10, and not penalize those who do.

More details about activities being organized in Canada will be available at <https://scholarstrikecanada.ca/>.